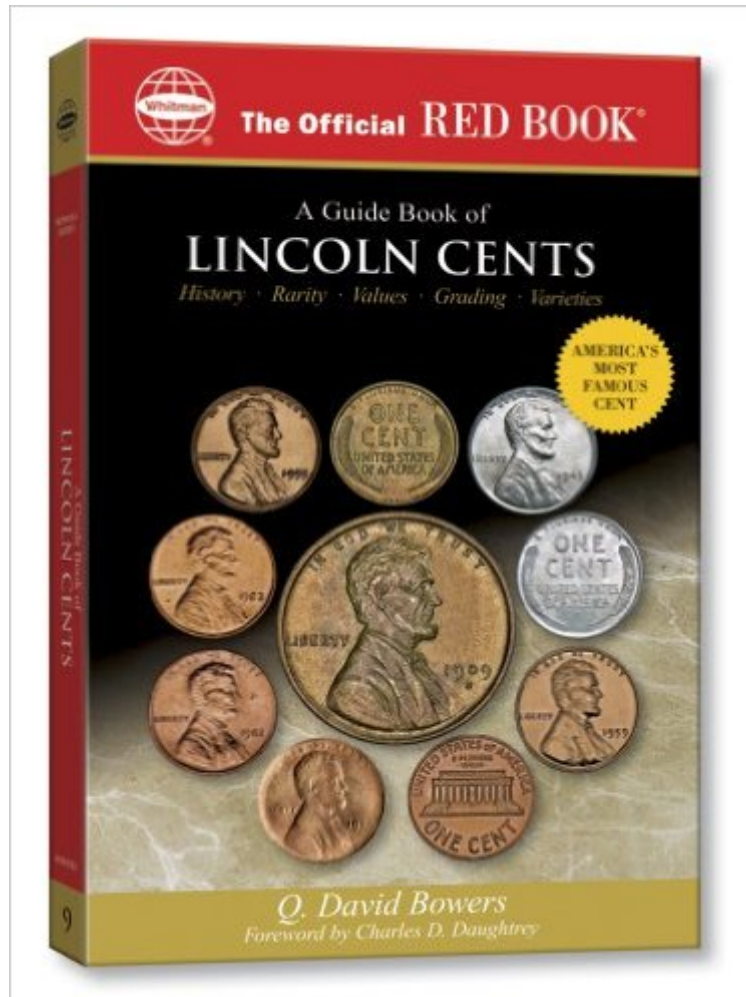


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# A Guide Book Of Lincoln Cents (Official Red Books)



## Synopsis

Generations of coin collectors have grown up with the Lincoln cent. Now, as the coin nears its 100th anniversary (and the bicentennial of Abraham Lincoln's birth), Q. David Bowers provides a detailed study of this great American classic our longest-running coin series. The book includes history, grading, varieties, a thorough market analysis for each date and mintmark, and a special appendix on error coins. Bowers even gives a sneak preview of what the U.S. Mint has in store with a 2009 redesign. 304 pages. Full color. 6 x 9. Softcover. Foreword by Charles Daughtrey.

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## Customer Reviews

I picked up A Guide Book of Lincoln Cents by Q. David Bowers last weekend and thought I would post a review of what I thought of it. It starts off with a nice forward by Charles D. Daughtrey and moves into some very interesting sections. There is of course the history of the Lincoln Cent both wheat and memorial reverse. Then it moves into the minting process. After that it goes into the proofs and how they were made from 1909 to date. The proof section I found very informative and interesting, after that it goes into grading Lincoln Cents, Mr. Bowers is very honest when it comes to third party grading services and provides some background on when they started. It then moves into how to be a smart buyer, ways to collect, then finally analysis and market guide to Lincoln Cents. For each year he describes how the dies were that year, what was going on in the world of numismatics, some nice notes, striking and sharpness population reports for MS wheat coins and

PF for memorials. There is also a price guide that is pretty close. What I found interesting was how he took quotes, articles, and other things of interest from some other very popular Lincoln experts. He tried to offer both sides of the fence views and some issues. Take the 22 no "D", there is an quote from Chuck that explains how it is nothing more than a worn out die. The book has nice color pictures for each year (I think they need to be a little larger) Things I would change about the book would be- Larger pictures for the grading section, population reports for key dates that go before MS-65 and population reports for MS memorial cents and PF wheat cents. All in all I would give this book a 9 on a scale of 1-10 and would recommend it to any Lincoln collector.

Coin collectors who are gathering Lincoln cents have lots to work with and understand: it's the country's longest-running coin series. This official guide covers its history, rarity, values, grading and many varieties as the coin nears its 100th anniversary and most importantly, discusses some of the greatest challenges to coin collecting. Tips on buying, selling, and grading a Lincoln cents collection makes for a fine market analysis for all dates and mintmarks, and even includes an appendix on error coins. Any library strong in coin collecting at any level must have this reference.

Great book for anyone who is interested in Lincoln cents. I read this book from cover to cover after receiving and couldn't put it down, great read. If you are looking for as much info as possible on Lincoln cents this is your guide. Only bad thing that I could point out is that the prices for the coins are a little out of date... This doesn't really hurt the guide in my opinion because its the information about the coins that makes this book so valuable.

This is one of those "must have" books for a collector of pennies. There is lots of information on the history of U.S. 1 cent coins and the pictures are great for comparison.

If you are thinking about collecting Lincoln Pennies for any reason you should get this book. It covers anything you could ever want to know about making intelligent decisions when it comes to collecting Lincolns.

The Official Red Book's Guide Book of Lincoln Cents. Covers Lincoln Cents from the start of minting to the date of the publication of this book.

Never before, has such a comprehensive book on America's #1 collector coin been written. I am

very pleased with what I have read so far and would recommend this book to anyone collecting Lincoln Cents. The photography is just amazing. Bravo!

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