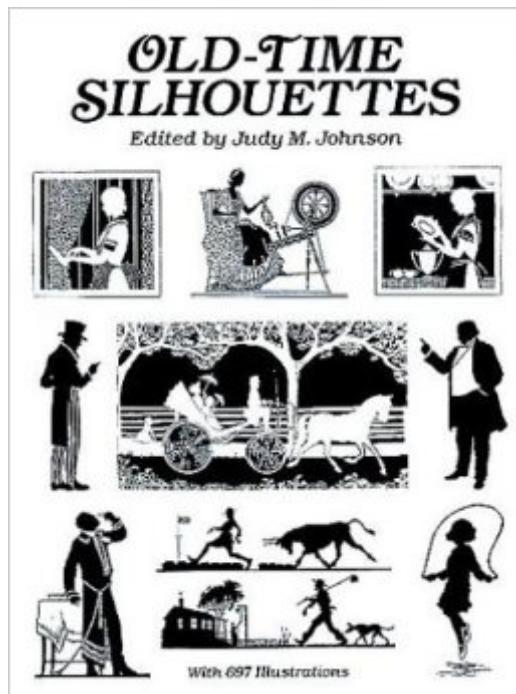


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# Old-Time Silhouettes (Dover Pictorial Archives)



## **Synopsis**

Nearly 700 silhouettes cover a broad range of subjects in a rich variety of shapes and sizes: seasons and holidays, family life, men and women, children at play, sports, outdoor life, food, kitchen chores, cats and dogs, wild animals, more. IncludesÂ a special section of silhouettes for children to cut out and arrange.

## **Book Information**

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Silhouettes were the Next Big Thing from their introduction in 1759 till the invention of the photograph. In the 1920s and '30s they came back in style for illustrational purposes, and this book collects nearly 700 examples of the art. Some are simple classic blackform silhouettes; some are complex combinations of black and white cutwork; some fall somewhere in between. Subjects range from flowers to wild and domestic animals to family and humorous vignettes, which in turn range from Medieval and pre-Columbian to Colonial times (a lady in an amazing spotted gown at her spinning wheel) through the 19th Century (a mother and daughter take the air in an open victoria) to contemporary subjects (women at their household tasks, children playing or celebrating holidays, people walking down the street). Some of the detail work is amazingly delicate. As a writer, I take great pleasure in paging through it and trying to think of ways to incorporate the scenes into stories. You might prefer to scan or copy them (I suggest a handheld wand scanner) for crafting purposes. Whichever use you make of them, it's a very nice collection and one I'm glad I bought.

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