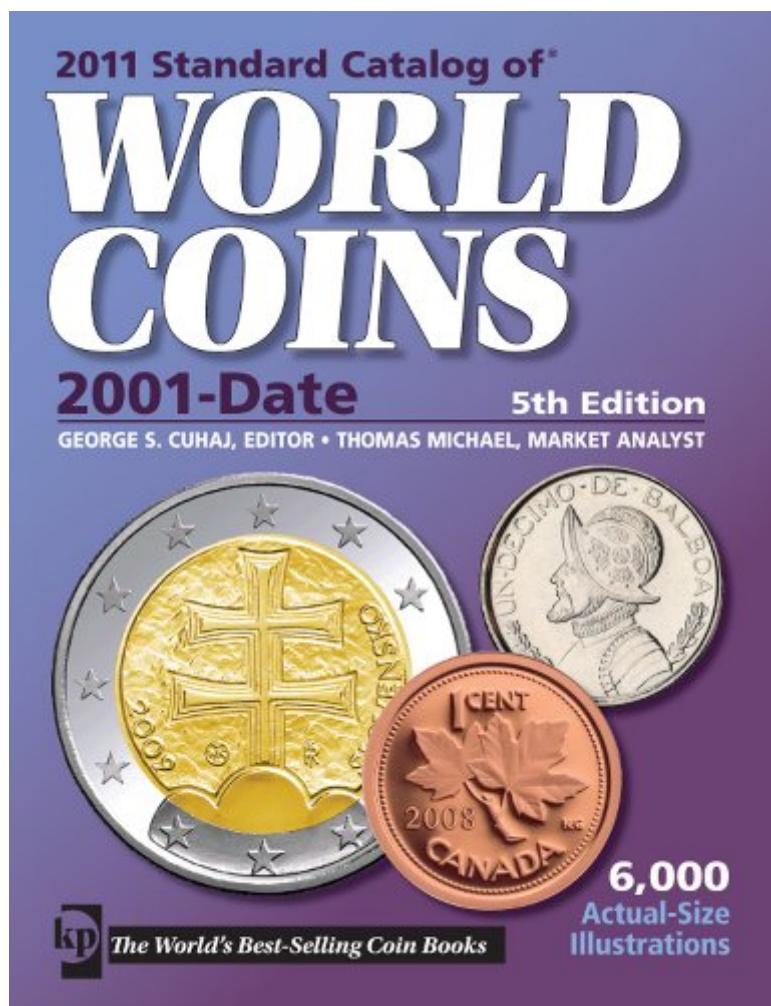


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OK, so these books are basically canonical lists of all the coins on the planet. In tribute, I will say a few words in canonical list format. 1. Do not, under any circumstances, pay list price for these things. It has been my experience that your local library book sale is probably giving these away for a dollar. Since they're reference guides, libraries turn these over every single year. Don't pay \$50 when you can get them for \$1 at the annual booksale. They'll be a year out of date but who cares. 2. Remember, the prices listed here are RETAIL prices. If you take your collection to the coin shop to sell it you'll get ... well, not the prices listed. 3. These don't change all that much from year to year and when they do it's generally to reflect a change in the price of gold or silver.

Book was everything I expected and need (information). what more can I say. the presentation was done with ease of access for the user.

I was disappointed that the DVD-ROM discs were not included with this edition. The last edition I bought included them.

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