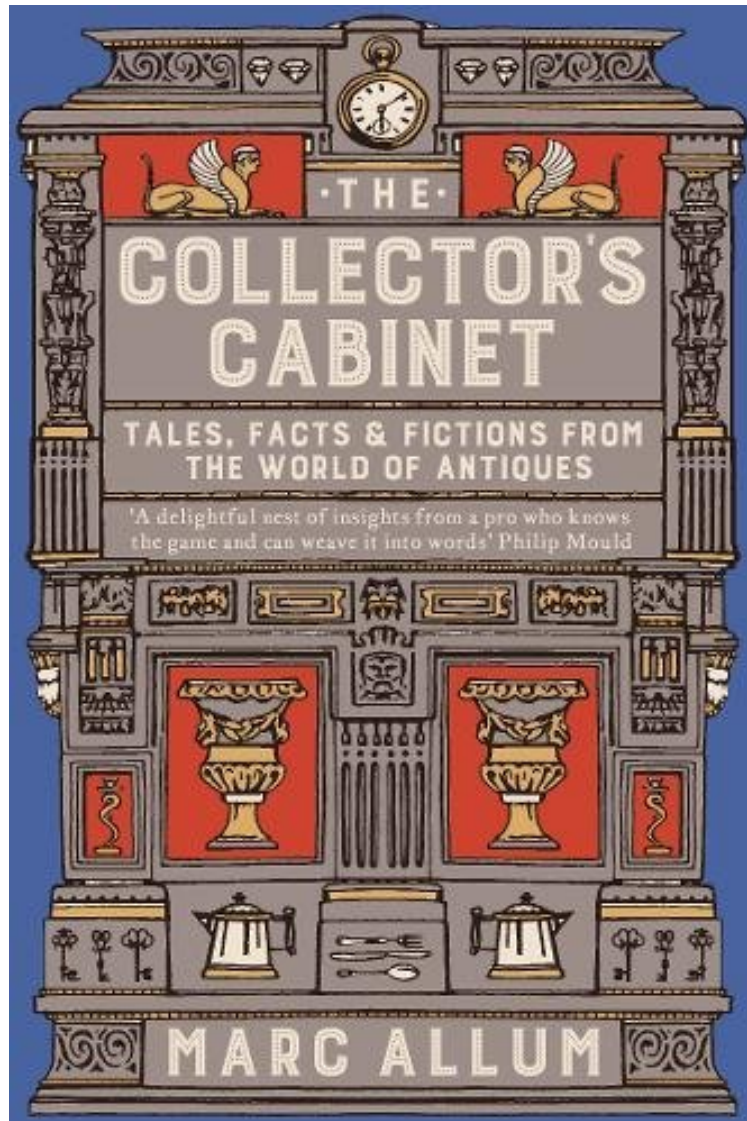


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a series of lectures on many different types of collectibles. I read it and now know more than I did before, I was just looking for more entertainment. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. One Man's World of Antiques! By Mike O'Connor Marc Allum's THE COLLECTOR'S CABINET; TALES, FACTS FICTIONS FROM THE WORLD OF ANTIQUES is an interesting guided tour to the world of collectibles by an expert in the field and host of the British ANTIQUES ROADSHOW television series. A 2015 Icon Books release, it presents a fascinating, behind-the-scenes look at the world of antiques. Allum's book is a wide-ranging collection of write-ups on various antiques and aspects of the collectibles world. He ranges from discussions of most valuable comic books to where various antiques are located, British willow pattern ceramics, Hitler's diaries, Grecian urns, death masks, Britain's Treasure Trove Law, auction catalogue terminology, Japanese swords, the Penny Black stamp, how to spot fakes, hallmarks, Napoleon's toothbrush, auction bidding, etc. COLLECTOR'S CABINET is not an item-by-item rating guide. It concerns itself more with the background, history, meaning and fascination of history's antiques. I enjoyed COLLECTOR'S CABINET. It bounced all around the world of collectibles but it was a witty, fascinating journey of discovery. Recommended.

Explore the wonderful world of antiques and collectables with Antiques Roadshow regular Marc Allum. Go in search of stolen masterpieces, learn the secrets of the forgers, track down Napoleon's toothbrush, and meet the garden gnome insured for \$1.5 million. Eclectic, eccentric, and brimming with remarkable tales from history, The Collector's Cabinet is for all those who are fascinated by the relics of the past. Marc Allum is a freelance art and antiques writer, broadcaster, consultant, and lecturer based in Wiltshire. He has been a miscellaneous specialist on the BBC's Antiques Roadshow since 1998.

'An amusing romp through some of the most coveted antiques. Full of facts and surprising anecdotes, it's a compelling read that should raise a smile from both the enthusiastic amateur and the seasoned collector.' * House Garden * 'an exceptionally entertaining read, and one that should definitely have a place on the bookshelf of any keen antiquarian.' * All About History * About the Author Marc Allum is a freelance art and antiques writer, broadcaster, consultant and lecturer based in Wiltshire. He has been a miscellaneous specialist on the BBC's Antiques Roadshow since 1998. He writes regularly for magazines, has contributed to numerous books and is the author of Allum's Antiques Almanac (Icon, 2014).