

Book List Relating to Locks and Keys.

A guide to book titles that might be of interest to Collectors and may be available to purchase or obtain on loan from a library - compiled by Tony Beck.

Title	Author	Publisher	Year of Initial Publication	Comments
Abridgment of Patents Relating to Locks & Fasteners:				Not illustrated.
1774 to 1866		The Commissioners of Patents	1873	Not illustrated.
1855 - 1866 1867 - 1876 1877 - 1883 1884 - 1888 1889 - 1892 1893 - 1896 1897 - 1900 1901 - 1904 1905 - 1908 1909 - 1915		Illustrated Patent Abridgments. Published by HMSO Patent Office.	3 years after the end of each period.	These have b/w line Illustrations.
A.C. Hobbs. A Man of Genius - A Lock Collectors Guide	Mike Fincher	Private B. Morlands, Bournemouth	2008	122 pages,77 illustns (49 colour). 30cmx21.5cm. Stiff card covers.
A Treatise on Clocks and Locks - Second Edition from the "Encyclopaedia Brittanica"	Edmund Becket Denison	A. & C. Black, Edinburgh	1857	Fine work by Denison. Part 1 to page 178 relates to Clocks. Pages 179 to 234 refer to locks.
A Treatise on Fire & Thief-Proof Depositories and Locks & Keys	George Price	Simpkin, Marshall & Co., London	1856	Near 1,000page publication – a classic reference work. Re-print 1980 by Key Collectors International.
A Treatise on Gun Powder Proof Locks	George Price	E. & F. N. Spon, London	1860	116pp+ 44pp catalogue.
Achter slot en Grendel (Locks & keys)	K.T. Meindersma.	Zeists-Gravenhage, - for Netherlands Conservation Dept.	1994	Text in Dutch, 295pp. Profuse b/w illustrations.
All About Locks and Locksmithing	Max Alth	Hawthorn Books, N.Y.	1972	180 pages.
An Encyclopaedia of Locks and Builders Hardware	J.T Butter	Josiah Parkes	1958	Published by the Willenhall lock makers. 281 pages.
Anatomy of English Wrought Iron.	Lindsay Seymour	Alec Tiranti	1964	
Antique Locks	Josiah Parkes & Sons Ltd, Willenhall	Josiah Parkes & Sons Ltd, Willenhall	1955	43 page b/w illustrated book of locks from Parkes collection.

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Antique padlocks	Jack Roberts	The National Locksmith	1990	
Ausgefehlte Sicherheit Schlosser	Berlin City (Markisches) Museum	Berlin City (Markisches) Museum	1992	Lock collection catalogue.
Battle of the Safes	G. A. Sala	London	1868	Octavo volume.
Beschlage und Schlosser an Alten Mobeln (Fittings and Locks in antique furniture)	Gerhart Eggar	Callwey, Munich	1977	German text; many fine b/w illustrations. 192pp. Folio.
Catalogue of Chubb's Models, 1926	Don Stewart	Key Collectors International	1986	Reprint of 11 pages, illustrated.
Chiavi E Serrature, Locks & Keys (ISBN 88 - 7143 - 051 - 4)	Giorgio Lise	BE-MA, Editrice, Milan, Italy	1987	Italian/English text, with colour illustrations. 143pp.
Clefs (Keys)	Gabriele Mandrel	EDDL, Paris	2001	French copy of a book published by Litostampa Istituto Grafico s.r.l in Bergamo, Italy (1990). German text Edition "Der Schlusel", Stuttgart, 1993. Fine colours.
Clefs et Serrures (Keys & Locks)	Catherine Vaudour	Musee Secq des Tournelles	1980	Rouen Museum Catalogue.
Clefs et Serrures Ancienne (Ancient Keys and Locks)	Catherine Prade	Musee Bricard	1986	Catalogue of the Museum of Locksmithing in Paris.
Collectible Locks Illustrated Value Guide	Richard Holiner	Collector Books, USA	1979	Padlocks only. 112 pages.
Combination Lock Compromises	Mark Bates Associates	Mark Bates	1993	Handbook.
Construction of Locks	Charles Tomlinson (Editor)	John Weale, London	1853	"Rudimentary Treatise" from papers supplied by A.C. Hobbs.
Construction of Locks	Tomlinson & R. Mallet	Virtue & Co	1868	Re-issue with extra 40pp. Appendix by Robert Mallet.
Construction of Locks and Safes	Tomlinson & R. Mallet	Kingsmead Reprints	1970	Reprint of 1868 Edition, 212pp.
Contemporary Observations on Security From the Chubb Collectanea, 1818-1968.	Noel Currer-Briggs	Published by Chubbs	1968	Colour illustrated, spiral bound.
Decorative Antique Ironwork	H.R. D'Allemagne	Paris	1924	Dover Pub's, N.Y. 1968 Reprint.

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Der Schlüssel durch die Jahrhunderte (The Lock over the Centuries)	Heinrich Pankover	Heinrich Pankover	1989	
Der Schlüssel im Wandel der Zeit (The key, its changes over time)	Jean-Josef Brunner	Paul Haupt, Stuttgart	1988	224pp., profusely illustrated.
Deutsche Schloss und Beschläge (German Locks and Metal Fittings)	Velbert Lock Museum	Velbert Lock Museum	1982	Museum Catalogue.
Dissertation on the Construction of Locks	J. Bramah	Sold by R. Baldwin, London	1784	Small volume, 46pp + 2 drgs.
Early American Wrought Iron	Albert H. Sonn	Bonanza Books, N.Y.	1979	Reprint of 1928 Scribner's edition.
Encyclopaedia of Locks & Builders' Hardware	F.J. Butter	Jos. Parkes & Sons Ltd.	1958	281 pages, with text drawings.
Encyclopaedia for Locksmiths	Mick Friend	Authors Online U.K.	2004	264 pages with illustrations.
English Ironwork of the XVII & XVIII Centuries.	Gardner Starkie.	Batsford	1911	336 pp. 83 plates + 163 illustrations.
Europeaische Schmiedekunst (metalwork sales catalogue)	Sothebys	Sothebys	1980	These fine, well illustrated Sales catalogues appeared in the 1980s.
European Pewter, Ironwork, etc (sales catalogue)			1984	
Important Medieval Works of Art.... , and Ironwork			1987	
The Collection of Prof. Charles Rieger			1988	
Ferronnerie Ancienne	Charles Massin	Raymond Lecoq	1961	Ancient Ironwork (French)
Ferronerie Espagnole	Charles Massin	Monique de Fayet	1969	Spanish Ironwork
High Security Safes	Dave McOmie	The National Locksmith	1991	
High Security Mechanical Locks - an Encyclopedic Reference	Graham Pulford	Elsevier (Butterworth)	2007	608 pages, hardbound.
Histoire et Petites Histoires de la Serrurerie (History & Small Stories of the Locksmith)	Fichet-Bauche	Fichet-Bauche, Versailles	1976	
Ironwork	Marian Campbell	V & A Museum	1985	Selective Museum Catalogue.

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Ironwork - Part I (Earliest Times to Medieval)	J. Gardner Starkie	Chapman & Hall	1893	152 pp., 57 b/w illustrations.
Ironwork - Part 2 (Continental ironwork)	J. Gardner Starkie	Chapman & Hall	1896	202pp., 134 illustrations.
Ironwork - Part 3 (early British Ironwork)	J. Starkie Gardner	Chapman & Hall	1922	A later reprint by HMSO. All three Parts were variously reprinted by the V & A Museum as HMSO publications.
Joseph Bramah, A Century of Invention	Ian McNeil	David & Charles	1968	
Key Type Identification Guide	Don Stewart	Key Collectors International	1988	Card cover, outline key drawings.
Keys. Their History and Collection	Eric Monk	Shire Publications Ltd	1974	A standard work. Revised/Reprinted many times.
Keys and Locks in the Collection of the Cooper-Hewitt Museum	Smithsonian Institute	Smithsonian Institute	1987	35 pages.
Le Antiche Chiave (the Antique Key)	Roberto Borali	Burgo, Italy	1993	237pp, 69 plates & 154 coloured illustrations.
La Clef et la Serrure (the Key and the Lock)	Jacqueline du Pasquier, Bordeaux		1973	Museum Catalogue.
La Serrurerie au XIX siecle (Locksmith in 19 th C)	Sanguinetti	Paris	1875	8vo.
L'Histoire de la Clef de l'époque Romaine au XVIII siecle (Roman to 18 th C)	Chas. Curtil-Boyer	Editions Vilo, Paris	1969	The key, its early history.
Les Clefs (Keys)	Jean-Josef Brunner	Editions Vial	2006	240 pp, 200 photos. French/English text.
Locks & Builders' Hardware, Glossary, Design, Manufacture and History	F.J. Butter	Jos. Parkes & Sons Ltd	1948	With 11 'Lectures' Appended.
Locks & Builders Hardware: A Handbook for Architects	H.R. Towne	J. Wiley, NY	1904	1136pages. ISBN:978-0-81191-2. - Reprint by wwwlib.umi.com (Books on Demand). 2008 price hardbound \$206.
Locks and Keys	Peter Phillips in 'Bygones.5'	Boydell Press	1980	Page No's 81 to 105 in the book.

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Locks and Keys	Louis Zara	Walker & Co., N.Y.	1969	84pp with illustrations.
Locks and Keys	Gail Gibbons	Crowell Co., N.Y.	1980	Written for children.32pp, illustrated.
Locks and Keys throughout the Ages	Vincent J. M. Eras	LIPS Lock Co., Holland	1957	(1st English Edition), 196pp.
Lock & Key	Stephen Tchudi	C. Scribner's Sons N.Y.	1993	Mainly for Children, but interesting
Locks & Lockmakers of America	Thomas F. Hennessy	Locksmith Publishing Corporation	1976	3 rd Revised Edition 1997.
Locks and Lockmaking	F.J. Butter	Sir Isaac Pitman & Sons Ltd	1926	135 pp, illustrated in b/w.
Locks & Lock-making, An Annotated Bibliography	L.K. Amatt	Library Association Thesis	1973	Excellent, very detailed bibliography in typed format containing 344 pages.
Locks & Locksmithing, The Complete Book	Bill Phillips	McGraw Hill, USA	2006 (6th)	588 illustrated pages. Paperback.
Locks, Keys and Closures with Prices	Wood	L-W Books, Ind., USA	1997	Catalogue extract illustrations.
Locksmithing	Bill Phillips	McGraw-Hill, N.Y.	1999	432 pages.
Master Locksmith Reference Book	American Ass'n of Master Locksmiths	American Ass'n of Master Locksmiths	1931	Published in two volumes.
Mechanics Exercises or the Doctrine of Handy-Works applied to the Art of Smithing	Joseph Moxon	Astragal Press (USA)	1703	Re-Print (No. 0961-808-810) - about £45.
Modern Locksmithing	Whitcomb Crichton	Nelson Hall Co., USA	1947	A step by step guide.
Old French Ironwork	F. Edgar	Harvard Univ. Press, Cambridge	1950	
Pick Guns	John Minnery	Paladin Press	1989	
Poorman's Story & Ornamental Design Padlocks	Don Stewart	Key Collectors International	1986	Another in this USA Series.
Post Office Lockbox Doors	Jane Ingram 104 Batesview Dr. Greenville, SC 29607 USA	Privately printed	2001, 2nd edition	
Primitive Locks & Keys	Pitt-Rivers, FRS	Chatto & Windus	1883	Early standard work; b/w illustrations.
Prison Jail Locks & Keys	Don Stewart	Key Collectors International	1982	
Professional Locksmithing Techniques	Bill Phillips	McGraw-Hill. N.Y.	1991	

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Prüfverfahren für Sicherheitsschlösser (Testing Procedure for Patent Lock)	Opferkuch M.e W. Schittenhelm	Kromer Lock Co	1989	
Prunkstücke, Art Treasures	Martina Pell	Hans Schell Collection	2005	Graz Lock Collection illustrated.
Safe Bind Safe Find	Garry Hogg	Phoenix House Ltd	1961	126pp with 24 b/w photos
Safecracking, Tales & Techniques	Richard Byrne	Grafton, London	1991	300 pages, card cover.
Sammlung Pankover (Collection Pankover)	Boetzkes	Velbert Museum	1983	Pankover Collection. Catalogue.
Schlüssel und Schloss (Key & Lock)	E. Pfeiffer-Belli	D.W. Callwey (Munich)	1973	Pankover's Collection Illustrated.
Schlüssel, Schlösser und Beschläge	Sigrid Canz	Dr. Wolfgang Schwarze	1977	Published in Wuppertal, Germany.
Schönheit von Schloss, Schlüssel, Beslag (Beauty of Locks, Keys and Fittings)	Dieter Prochnow	A. Henn Verlag	1966	Beautiful illustrations of locks & Keys in Velbert Museum. 264pp.
Serrature e Sicurezza: Passato, Presente e Futuro (Locks & Security: Past, Present & Future)	Biasiotti	Casiraghi & Peyronnet Sergant & Greenleaf	1985	Italian edition by lock maker.
Serrure Ancienne (Ancient Locks)	Raymond Lecoq	Librairie Gedalge, Paris	1973	
Ship Locks & Keys	Don Stewart	Key Collectors International	1983	Published in USA.
Silent Sentinels, the story of locks, vaults	R. Kraske	Doubleday & Co. Inc, N.Y.	1969	An interesting read.
Standard Guide to Key Collecting	Don Stewart	Key Collectors International	1980	
The Complete Book of Locks & Locksmithing	Bill Phillips	Mcgraw-Hill, N.Y.	c. 1990	437 pages.
The House of Chubb	Sir G. Hayter Chubb	Chubbs, London	1919	
The Padlock Collector, A Price Guide	F. M. Arnall	The Collector, California	1972	6 th & last edition published in 1996.
The Story of Locks	Walter Buehr	Chas. Scribner's Sons, N.Y.	1953	45pp, pictorially illustrated for children.
The Story of Keys and Locks	John Stephen	The Oak Tree Press, London	c. 1982	48p, pictorially illustrated for children.

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Truhen, Schlosser und Tresore (Chests, Locks and Safes)	Ludwig Holtmeier	Hans Holzmann, Germany	1989	
Unlocking Adventure	Charles Courtney	Robert Hale Ltd	1951	222 pages, 8 monochrome photos.
Unlocking Adventure	Charles Courtney	McGraw-Hill, N.Y	1942	1st edition, 335 pages, 8 photos.
Vorhangeschlosser (Padlocks)	Inigo Schmoeckel	Collection of Inigo Schmoeckel	2000	Beautifully illustrated locks, 60pp.
100 Years Plus of Keymaking (History of A. Hough & Sons)	Jim Evans, Essington		1998	94 page illustrated work.