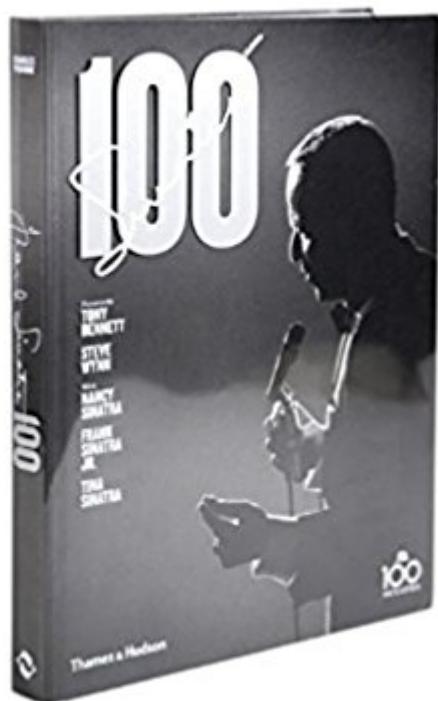


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# Sinatra 100



## Synopsis

From his family's vast archives—*a revelatory new pictorial life of the greatest entertainer of the twentieth century* On the centennial of his birth, *Sinatra 100*—with the participation of his three children—is an intimate and dramatic visual portrait of Frank Sinatra, revealing many of the previously unseen moments in a remarkable life. Of course, Sinatra's legacy speaks for itself. An entertainer of mesmerizing talent, charisma, and style, he is one of the best-selling recording artists of all time, and Academy Award-winning actor, and a cultural icon. From inciting bobby-soxer riots and achieving teen idol status in the 1940s to the incredible recording career, the film career, the Rat Pack and Las Vegas, *Sinatra 100* has the unseen photographs (and the iconic ones) as well as a rare trove of memorabilia and ephemera—over half of it never before published. With a majority of the text based on unpublished personal interviews and conversations with Frank Sinatra and his friends, family, and colleagues, *Sinatra 100* unparalleled in its scope and depth. It's the ultimate Sinatra gift, both for the fans who think they've seen it all and those just discovering this inimitable artist. 400+ illustrations in color and black-and-white

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Charles Pignone is a producer and writer. He is the author of the New York Times bestseller *The Sinatra Treasures*, *The Sinatra Family Photo Album* and co-author of *The Copa: Jules Podell and The Hottest Club North Of Havana*. He has produced numerous albums and box sets including *Frank Sinatra: Nothing But The Best*, *Sinatra: Vegas* and the 2011 television special *Sinatra Sings*. Pignone has been associated with the Sinatra family for over thirty years and is the senior vice president of Frank Sinatra Enterprises.

This book, written by Charles Pignone, and published by Thames & Hudson, in cooperation with the Sinatra Family and Estate, is a lovely way to commemorate Frank Sinatra’s 100th birthday. The main attraction is the hundreds of photographs from the Sinatra archives, covering his life from his childhood in Hoboken, New Jersey, to his 1998 death. The text is rather limited to a mini-biography by Pignone, a foreword by Frank’s best friend, Tony Bennett, another foreword by Steve Wynn, owner of the Las Vegas Golden Nugget nightclub, where Frank sang in the 1980s, and afterwards by each of Frank’s three kids - Nancy, Frank Jr., and Tina. There are also numerous quotes from Sinatra’s friends and contemporaries, as well as by The Chairman Of The Board himself. A nice coffee-table keepsake for Sinatra fans. Listen to the new— *Ultimate Sinatra [4 CD][Centennial Collection]* while you read it. Four stars. It’s not meant to be a definitive biography; perhaps the Sinatra equivalent of Mark Lewisohn will write such a book someday.

Somehow this book called out for a CD of Sinatra performances which could be inserted in the back cover but, after I thought about it, I realized that most folks who will buy this book will already own LOTS of Sinatra recordings, that it’s not necessary. This book is aimed at the Sinatra fan, not someone who knows little about him. There are 288 pages in the (approx.) 11½ x 14½ volume and maybe a dozen have essay text. The rest of the pages are filled with over 400 images in color and black and white. The book is divided into 3 sections: The Voice (1915-1952), Chairman of the Board (1953-1972) and Ol’ Blue Eyes (1973-1998). Each section has an essay by compiler Charles Pignone Pignone is a friend of

the Sinatra family and produced the interesting ÄfÄçÄ à ¬Ã Å“Sinatra TreasuresÄfÄçÄ à ¬Ã Ä· book a few years back. He is not a biographer; he is a compiler of photos and memorabilia. With full cooperation of the Sinatra children, (Nancy, Tina and Frank Jr.- each of who gets their own ÄfÄçÄ à ¬Ã Å“AfterwardÄfÄçÄ à ¬Ã Ä·), photos that have not been published before are included here. There are brief captions to all of them (printed in miniscule typeface so as not to distract from the larger images.). Though the book has only 288 pages, the paper it is printed on is so heavy that the book weighs in at exactly 6 pounds . It is bound with a heavy vinyl dustjacket. This book has ÄfÄçÄ à ¬Ã Å“Coffee Table BookÄfÄçÄ à ¬Ã Ä· written all over it. But, unlike many similar art books, the list price is reasonable. This book will be a no-brainer holiday gift for Sinatra fans. And, honestly, youÄfÄçÄ à ¬Ã ä„çll save your back by having it shipped direct to the recipient. It really is HEAVY! I hope you found this review both informative and helpful. Steve RammÄfÄçÄ à ¬Ã Å“Anything PhonographicÄfÄçÄ à ¬Ã Ä·

I gave this as a gift for Christmas and the receiver loves it. It is on their coffee for all to browse. Beautiful pictures. The only draw back is that the type in the blurbs on each page is very small type for the size the paper, leaving more white space than necessary. Get your reading glasses out. Overall, it's a beautiful depiction of Sinatra's life. Not a bio so don't expect that. It is a pictorial of his life, work and family. Very glad I bought this instead of a bio.

Great pictures and some very rare ones in this very large book. I am a big fan of Mr. Sinatra and if you are too, then this book is a great keepsake. What makes this book so special? It's a special release in Mr. S's 100th year with beautiful photographs that are very large and some are very rare. There's not much to read but a lot to look at. Great gift for a fan of Mr. S. too!

Made an awesome gift for an elderly friend who loves Sinatra

Dear old DAD is 90 and he loves to sit and flip through the pages. Every Sinatra fan will enjoy the photos. This book has a great finish and the printing is just fantastic. Page after page of Sinatra memories. My father loved it. A great gift for any age.

I love this book. It's a perfect addition to the office. It's a large sized book and has tons of wonderful information.

This is truly a beautiful tribute to Sinatra for his 100th birthday. The photraghs, both in black and white and in color are incredible! They capture a lot of private moments with Sinatra and his family and friends. The text is filled with never before known facts about Sinatra's life and career. This makes a lovely coffee table book and it's a must have for any Sinatra fan.

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