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Synopsis

New York City is the world's undisputed capital of the skyscraper and is synonymous with this archetypal American form of architecture. Yet New York's exceptional standing is not only due to the sheer number of skyscrapers; it is also the juxtaposition of so many high-rise buildings from different stylistic periods that gives the New York skyline its particular dynamism. This stunning and definitive guide presents the most prominent and significant skyscrapers in the world's most vertical city. Managing to obtain access, often exclusive, to over 60 rooftops and viewpoints throughout Manhattan, Dirk Stichweh and Jörg Machirus photographed the incredible views afforded them from these heights, from Wall Street to uptown. Featuring over 80 high-rises from the Empire State Building to the recently erected One World Trade Center, this volume shares the stories behind their construction and discusses their influence on New York's cityscape and international architectural history. Designed and written to appeal to anyone who is fascinated by the city, this beautiful book captures New York from a perspective few will ever see in person.

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"A celebration of the New York Skyscraper, this book shows towers in clusters and from aerial and long-range views that provide perspectives that vary from the typical pedestrian's-eye experience." -Architectural Record

"Dirk Stichweh is the author of New York Skyscrapers (Prestel, 2009). He is based in Bremen, Germany. Jorg Machirus is a photographer and avid New York City fan. He took the majority of photographs for New York Skyscrapers (Prestel, 2009)."

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This is a fabulous book. The photographs are excellent, many by Scott Murphy, as is the writing. Difficult to put down. The reasonable price further enhances the book.

Great addition to my coffee table.

Another wonderful book about the New York skyline. A great gift for anyone that enjoys visiting New York, or plans on visiting there for the first time.

I ordered this book for my son, who loves skyscrapers. The book has great pictures, and he's enjoying it.

A Great Addition to THE GERMAN EYE IN AMERICA, all the tall buildings with information, packed with photographs.

I have the original version of this book, which came out a few years ago, and it's one of my favorites. Needless to say, I was happy to see it being re-released, given the new buildings which have gone up since it came out, or are in the process of going up. This book isn't just a rehash of the first edition- in many cases, it uses new photographs, and in some cases text has been changed. Now, some buildings that were in the previous edition didn't make the cut this time- 100 Park Avenue, New Yorker Hotel, and Marine Midland Bank building, aka 140 Broadway. However there are several new entries here, including the oh-so-controversial 432 Park Avenue and One57. This book also has a couple of pages devoted to the buildings currently under construction (such as Hudson Yards, 425 Park Avenue, and 2 and 3 WTC), all the better to imagine how NYC's skyline is going to change even more in the next few years.

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