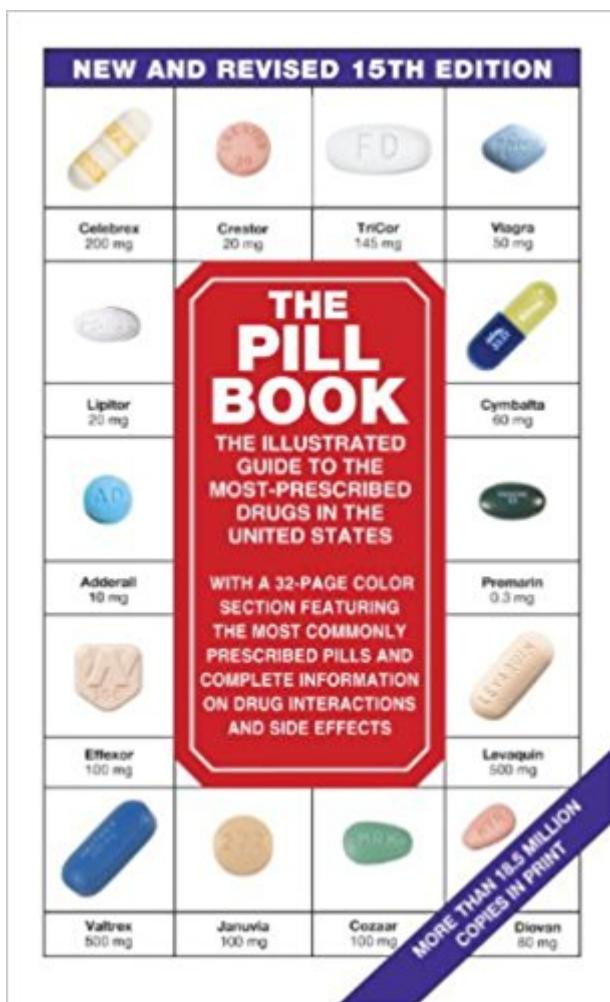


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Educated at Columbia University, Dr. Harold Silverman has been a hospital pharmacist, industry

consultant, author, and educator for more than 35 years. Dr. Silverman's professional objective is to help people understand why medicines are prescribed and how to get the most from them. In addition to *The Pill Book*, Dr. Silverman has also authored *The Women's Drug Store*, *The Pill Book Guide to Safe Drug Use*, *The Consumer's Guide to Poison Protection*, and *Travel Healthy*. He is also a co-author of *The Vitamin Book: A No-Nonsense Consumer Guide* and *The Med-File Drug Interactions System*. Dr. Silverman has contributed more than 70 articles, research papers, and textbook chapters to the professional literature, including *The Merck Manual of Medical Information, Home Edition*. He has taught pharmacology and clinical pharmacy at several universities and has won numerous awards for his work. Dr. Silverman resides in the Washington, D.C. area with his wife, Judith Brown, and their son Joshua.

With all the different drugs on the market today and taking into consideration the possibility of drug interactions and side effects, it is vital to stay informed. Recently my wife was prescribed two different medications by her doctor. Taking them together could have been a threat to her life, neither the druggist nor the prescribing doctor warned her about the side effects that would take place if she took both medications within 4 to 6 hours of each other. The Pill book did! GET THIS IN YOUR HOME! Think generics are exactly the same as brand name drugs? Think again!

this pill book is very informative there sare 32 color pages of different pills a must have for the household buy it and use it youll be glad you did

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I feel like the book is missing quite a few more common drugs prescribed. Good information for what it has available.

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Actually for my wife but she does not do computer. She is in it all the time it seems like, so it must be pretty good. I could not follow the plot very well.

I do not like the way this book is organized. The difference between this format and past formats is that they group all of the drugs into categories and generalize the information accordingly. For instance, they classify all painkillers under "narcotic analgesics" and then they speak on general terms about narcotics. If you are looking for specific information for oxycodone, for example, you cannot get it. You just get generalized information that applies to all narcotic analgesics. Also, there are very few pictures. If I could, I would trade this book out for an earlier version. It does not serve the purposes that I needed it for.

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