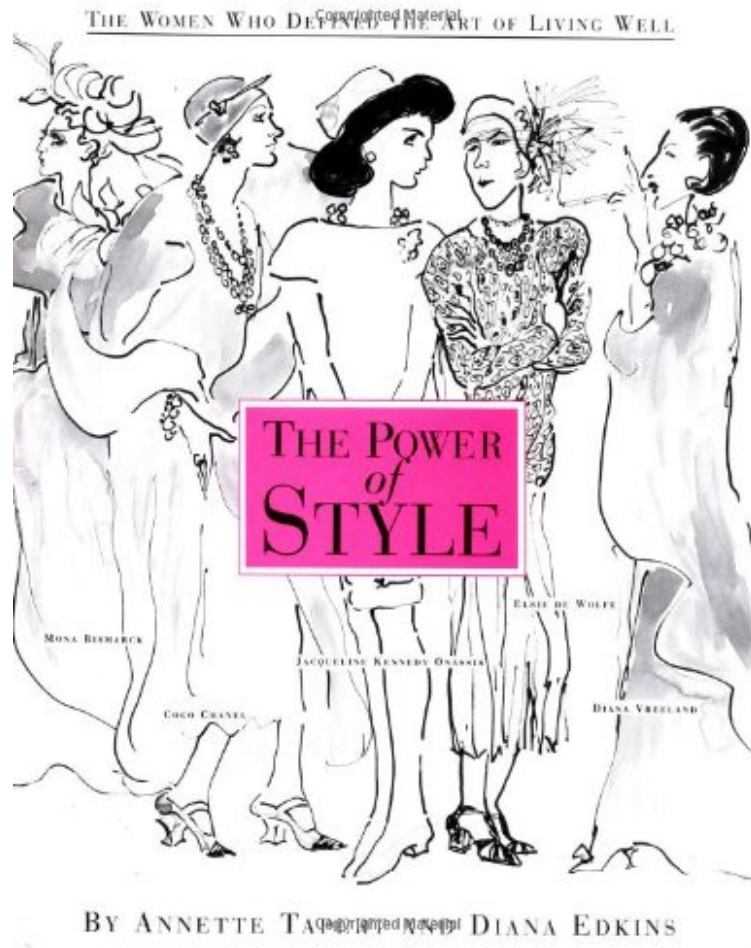


# The Power of Style

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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. many of whom I had never heard of but enjoyed learning about Bubbles! The book describes 13 or 14 women from the previous century, many of whom I had never heard of but enjoyed learning about. The beginning of the book explains why and how they screened the women for style and why certain women didn't make it onto the list (for example, actresses and singers such as Madonna didn't make it). The book is entertaining and informative. There are lots of interesting snippets, stories and tidbits that show how these women perceived life and lived their lives. It also analyzes the overall traits and individual traits that contributed to the women's sense of style. I was particularly fascinated by a few women. For example, Elsie de Wolfe, who basically turned the masses into fans of interior design, was a pretty savvy businesswoman. So many of the home-related things we take for granted are her ideas. She was also gay (or bi - I can't guess exactly), lived with her girlfriend in the

early 1900s and no one cared. She even managed to sell books during the Depression Era! Each chapter covers one woman. There's a section in the middle that covers 4 of them in one shot, if I recall correctly. I liked the overall structure. It allowed me to "meet" each woman and understand her. There are some photos for most of the women, possibly all. The only issue I had with the book was that it went from fascinating in the beginning to "eh whatever" towards the end. It held my attention probably through the 50-60% mark. After that, I was skimming more than I'd have liked. Despite that, I'm really glad I bought the book. It has inspired me and I've learned a few interesting things. It arrived yesterday. I bought it used, but it looked new. I read it in one evening. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Fine. By geegee4073 Just fine. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Excellent Hostess Gift for someone who has style you admire! By Jovi Great book, perfect gift for a friend with style you admire. I purchased 3 of these to give as hostess gifts.

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