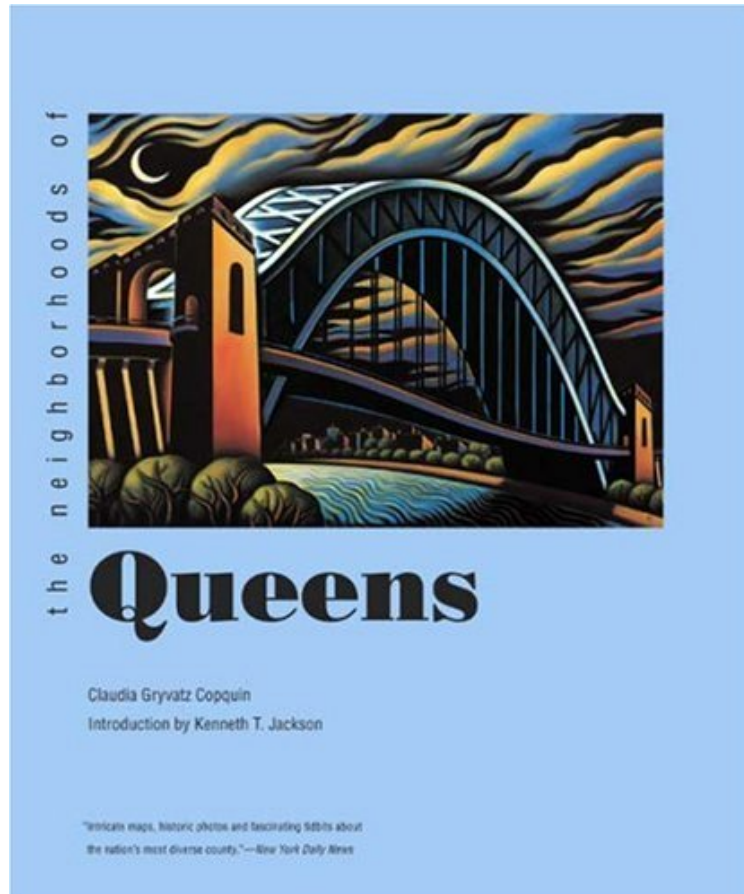


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Claudia Gryvatz Copquin : The Neighborhoods of Queens (Neighborhoods of New York City) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Neighborhoods of Queens (Neighborhoods of New York City):

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. An interesting book about a forgotten boroughBy dave strasburgQueens is rarely explored by tourists, but for the intrepid souls who are willing to scratch below the surface, the largest of New York City's boroughs has a wealth of things to see and do. What was originally incorporated into New York in 1898, with Consolidation, was actually just part of that day's Queens County - a hodgepodge of different rural villages and urban-style communities very different from one another. Today these widely disparate sections constitute the borough's neighborhoods, the basis of this book. While walking in Queens can hardly compete with walking in Brooklyn, the obvious first choice of any venture outside Manhattan - even the Bronx is arguably more rewarding - anybody with more time should definitely try Queens, the country's most ethnically diverse district. This book gives the lowdown on each of Queens's neighborhoods, telling about its history and present. It tells which are the main drags, the main shopping areas, and what sights/sites, parks and historic buildings there may be. At the end of the

book is an interesting appendix giving the statistics on population, ethnicities, average income, and percentage of owner-occupied versus renter-occupied housing units. This reviewer's only gripe (a minor one!) is that this chapter would have been better if it had been at the end of each neighborhood chapter. This book is indispensable for those who intend to explore Queens. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Book arrived within 2 days and was in very good condition. The Book it self was disappointing. By Rampartone Book arrived within 2 days and was in very good condition. The Book it self was disappointing, it reads like who ever wrote it either never lived in Queens or has spent little time in Queens. It missed many of the original land marks and famous past points of interest. IE: to name a couple, the Aquacade was missing, PS-127 missing "our AG Eric Holder went there and lives across the street, I don't know who dreamed up these 99 neighborhoods but Jackson Heights was now what the book defines as East Elmhurst. I think a better job could have been done defining the neighborhoods. What the book would be better for is if some one is thinking about moving to Queens what the ethnic neighborhoods are. The vender I would recommend but not the book. 11 of 11 people found the following review helpful. It's got everything I could have hoped it would have. By Poet Prince Great product for the price. A short history for each neighborhood is followed by nostalgic yesteryear, and as it looks today images, of important areas or structures--lots of photos. For example, a recent photo of Jamaica Avenue and 163 St--after the el was taken down, the exterior of the old Valencia theatre as it is today and the AirTrain structure at LIRR's Jamaica Station. For ex-Richmond Hillites, you are treated to photos of Jahn's, RKO Keiths theatre, and an interior shot of Triangle Hofbrau. The "Queens Timetable" as an appendix, offers some 17 pages of major historical events that occurred in Queens from 1609 to 2007. There are a few things I would question as to accuracy. It is mentioned that a part of New Hyde Park is geographically part of Queens County. Nowhere could I find justification for this, but I suppose this is nit-picking. Each neighborhood has a street map and as an appendix, each has a complete demographic review.

This up-to-date, intimate portrait of the 99 neighborhoods of Queens is a wonderful tribute to the boroughs past history and present diversity. Detailing the history, people, and cultural activities of each neighborhood, the book is generously illustrated with more than 200 photographs, both contemporary and historical, and over 50 new maps that chart the precise neighborhood boundaries. With two airports (La Guardia and JFK), Shea Stadium, and Aqueduct Racetrack, Queens is a destination for millions of travelers and visitors each year. But those who live in the boroughs neighborhoods know that it offers much more: parks, bridges, colleges and universities, museums, shops, restaurants, and other institutions and sites that testify to its more than 350-year history. From Astoria to Woodside, with points in between, Queens, the most diverse county in the country, offers a cornucopia of cultures, sights, tastes, and sounds. With input from residents, historians, demographers, politicians, borough officials, shopkeepers, and many others, *The Neighborhoods of Queens* captures the unique character of each neighborhood. The book features practical tips (subway and bus routes, libraries, fire departments, hospitals), quirky and unusual neighborhood facts, and information on famous residents. For anyone who lives in Queens, visits its neighborhoods, or remembers it from earlier times, this book is an unsurpassed treasure.

"Look out, Queens, because your bible is coming. A 265-page book with intricate maps, historic photos and fascinating tidbits about the nation's most diverse county... *The Neighborhoods of Queens* includes detailed community profiles that detail everything from boundaries and bus routes to ethnic makeup and landmarks... The book is also notable for its wealth of eye-catching photos." Nicholas Hirshon, *New York Daily News* 'Copquin sought input from residents, historians, demographers, politicians, borough officials, shopkeepers and many others, and the result is that *The Neighborhoods of Queens* captures the unique character of each neighborhood... For anyone who lives in Queens, visits its neighborhoods or remembers it from earlier times, this book is an unsurpassed treasure.' Linda J. Wilson, *The Queens Gazette* "About the Author Claudia Gryvatz Copquin is an award-winning freelance journalist who immigrated to Queens from South America with her family in the late 1960s. She now resides on Long Island.