

BUTT Book (Taschen) advertises itself as the best of the first five years of *BUTT magazine*. No, I'd not heard of it either but then I'm not a hip gay New Yorker. *BUTT* is a rejoinder to all the vacuous glossy fag mags and features interviews with such people as Michael Stipe, Gus Van Sant, John Waters and Rufus Wainwright interspersed with nudey pics. The pictures are candid, revealing, anti-porn which are occasionally shocking in their lack of artifice. The feel of the magazine is raw, underground and a million times more vital than any of the vacuous style bibles you may be more familiar with. I'll certainly be taking up a subscription.

