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# I spy eyewear



Revered New York-based eyewear designer **Moss Lipow** has spent the past twenty years trawling eBay, auction houses, garage sales, and flea markets worldwide, amassing glasses and photographs for his renowned collection. The result is this book: *Eyewear: A Visual History*.

A history of eyewear's journey over the past 500 years, featuring the finest examples from Lipow's collection as well as pieces from prominent collectors around the world. From a rudimentary bone sunshield and curious contraptions of leather and wood to bifocals, pince-nez, monocles, aviators, and bedazzled cat eyes. Eyewear has experienced a surprising and fascinating evolution, what was once a purely practical apparatus has grown into a multi-billion-dollar global industry, catering to both the visually impaired and the fashionably inclined. This is a visually stunning book for any fashion lover! \$125, hardback, Taschen. Words by Steven Fernandez