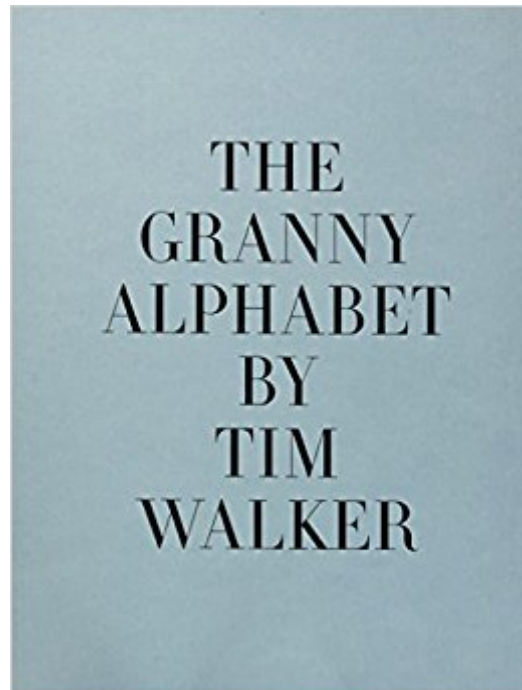




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The Granny Alphabet



Synopsis

An affectionate two-volume A-Z of all things granny by this renowned fashion photographer Artist-photographer Tim Walker has won a cult following for his flamboyant, lavishly staged, and surrealist fashion photography. Now he brings his unique brand of very British fantasia to a subject close to all our hearts: grandmothers. The first volume of this very special twinset offers a collection of characterful photographs of grannies and the things nearest to each of them, arranged alphabetically and accompanied by short, gently humorous verses by Kit Hesketh-Harvey. The second volume is delightfully populated with Lawrence Mynott's drawings of lively old ladies. Spirited, stylish, sweet—here are granny archetypes of every stripe. You'll find Lucinda, whose hat addiction shows no sign of waning, and Kitty, whose knitting skills are second to none. You might even meet the Queen—the most famous British granny of all. This whimsical vision of a rose-printed, feline-filled arcadia will be irresistible to enthusiasts of photography and contemporary illustration, and anyone touched by its delightful tribute to the grannies we love and admire. 96 color illustrations

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With its array of octogenarian subjects clad in nubby cardigans, sensible shoes, croc handbags and whimsical hats—not to mention a still life of fake teeth and the pattern from a plastic polka-dotted rain bonnet used as the book's endpaper—The Granny Alphabet takes a droll view on aging. —The New York Times A sweet two-volume tribute to grandmothers. —New

York Daily Newsâ œPhotographer and artist Tim Walker turns his kooky eye toward a subject close to everyoneâ s heart. . . . A celebration of the surreal styling and over-the-top scenes for which Walker has gained a cultish following.â • - San Francisco Chronicleâ œWalker photographs real grandmothers with their most prized possessions, and the results are whimsical and surprisingly compelling.â • - GoodMorningAmerica.comâ œThough photo shoots with grannies might seem a reach for a fashion photographer, subject and artist turn out to be a surprisingly good fit. . . . Walkerâ s work is at its most playful and opulent, with images of bubblegum pink dentures next to a pink-walled bathroom; a nana reclining among towering hat boxes; another dressed to the nines in a faux puma coat.â • - Publishers Weeklyâ œNow, according to the new book, The Granny Alphabet, [Tim] Walker has chosen to pay homage to â the dying breed of little old ladies who live down the lane.â â • - Fast Co.Createâ œA tribute to gray-haired gls everywhere.â • - Fast Co.Designâ œThe charmingly dotty â Granny Alphabetâ  . . . introduces a parade of willfully eccentric old ladiesâ • - The New York Timesâ œA playful look at aging and frailty.â • - Library Journalâ œAn ode to . . . the beauty and clarity of old age.â • - Portland Book Review

Tim Walker's work appears regularly in fashion magazines including Vanity Fair, Harper's Bazaar, and Vogue. His book Tim Walker: Story Teller was published to critical acclaim in 2012. He lives in London. Kit Hesketh-Harvey is an award-winning performer, composer, writer, and translator. He lives in England. Lawrence Mynott is an illustrator, designer and portrait painter. His work has appeared on Penguin book covers and has been exhibited at the National Portrait Gallery in London.

I collect alphabet and the two Granny alphabet books were a welcome addition to my collection

Super inspiring considering my love for classic style.

AMAZING .. I LOVE IT!

I got the book for my sister, who (of course) loved it. Actually, its two books with one full of photography and the other full of illustrations. I liked the illustrations better...the photography evoked the negative side of aging IMHO. But my sister loved both...so there you go. Definitely fun!

This is a keeper. Probably more for adults than kids. In fact, I bought it for my sister, who is 73. She

loves it.

Beautiful graphics and the photos are hilarious and kind. Good on anybody's coffee table. I recommend both these volumes highly

Lovely book for the ones with a great sense of humor and creativity. The author did a great job in the illustrations and also with the pictures.

This book is actually two books contained in a hard sleeve, and I gave one to two different friends for Christmas. We are all 70 years old and could relate to these great photos. It makes a great gift for someone with a dry sense of humor. Clever and unique!

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