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advise. I have all volumes of RIC and Sear's books (including the two volumes on Byzantine coinage) that cost me many, many times more than this one. On a few occasions, I have even found types missing in Sear's catalogs in ERIC II. The author is to be commended for creating a single-volume work at such an affordable price. For the price it is being offered at, given the sheer quality of its contents and printing, I would call it an absolute steal! If you collect Roman Imperial coins, please do yourself a favour and get this wonderful reference while you still can. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. I like this book! By Customer This book provides an in-depth look at Roman Imperial coins from a non-technical, very accessible point of view. Great for people whose hobby is ancient coin collecting.

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