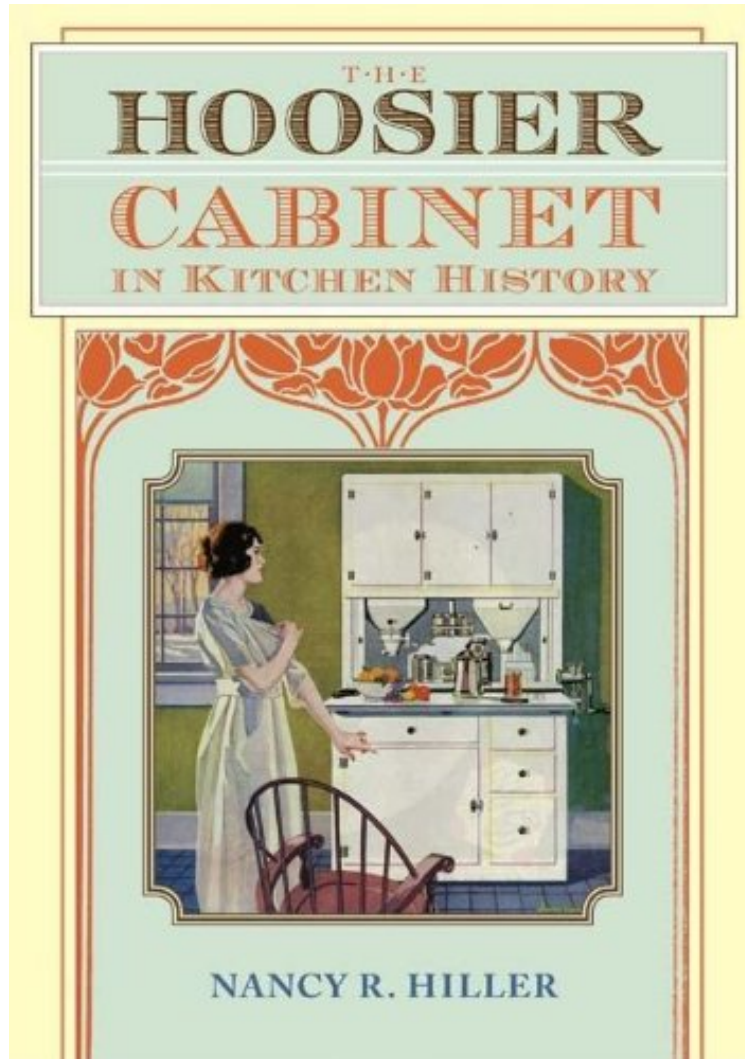


## The Hoosier Cabinet in Kitchen History

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**Nancy R. Hiller : The Hoosier Cabinet in Kitchen History** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Hoosier Cabinet in Kitchen History:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. If you love your kitchen and love history, read this awesome book!By DaiTodayThis is a great history book on the Hoosier cabinet. I just wish it actually had a more comprehensive listing of the possible Hoosier style cabinet of the period. My Hoosier style cabinet is basically Sellers clearfront as far as I am able to discern from one of the ads posted in the book, but mine has components from the Boone and Hoosier brands as well. I'm still confused if indeed it is a Sellers or a hybrid compilation of salvaged pieces. The cabinet hardware closures are unlike any listed in this book which makes finding replacements frustrating.

I personally like the hardware, but they appear to be like the Hoosier brand but modified to act as pull releases for the hidden latches. I still would recommend this book for the fascinating history of this kitchen cabinet. Through it, we learn the progression to the modern day kitchen from absolutely nothing at all. It is truly amazing how innovations such as this cabinet lead to the functional kitchens of today. And do check out the antique ads! You can literally see how much of the advertising methods of the day still impact our advertisements today. Truly an awesome compilation.

7 of 7 people found the following review helpful. Scholarship meets practicality  
By M. Adler  
Did you ever wonder how your kitchen became what it is today? No matter what style or period it is, this book will help you to understand your kitchen better. It may leave you delighted with what you have or imagining how it could be improved. It may also leave you thrilled with the character of an old kitchen and willing to put up with its impracticality in order to maintain the integrity of your house. Everybody has a relationship of one sort or another with a kitchen. For most of us, it's intimate and occurs multiple times on a daily basis. In this book, Nancy Hiller will introduce you to your kitchen's past and its development with well-written, intelligent prose and excellent illustrations. This is a book to read, to share and to keep.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars  
By Tommy Pribnow  
I think this is an excellent book!!!

Loaded with labor and time-saving conveniences, the Hoosier cabinet was among the earliest design innovations of the modern American kitchen. This culinary workstation allowed owners to maintain an efficient and clutter-free kitchen by centralizing utensils, cookware, tools, and ingredients all the while providing a space in which to prepare the meals of the day. Bloomington-based cabinetmaker Nancy R. Hiller draws on her years of specialty cabinet making and thorough knowledge of interior design to deliver an entertaining, beautiful, and informative history of the Hoosier cabinet revealing its influence on the development of the contemporary American home. Illustrated with original manufacturers' advertisements and sales literaturesome of which is previously unpublishedas well as color and black-and-white photos, this long-overdue book on an icon of the early 20th-century kitchen will be an invaluable resource to cabinetmakers, antiques enthusiasts, and homeowners planning a period-inspired kitchen.

. . . a fascinating read about the social structure of the early kitchen and its women. . . . Very recommended. (Jerry Sampson Antiques Reference Books s)  
Nancy Hiller has produced a book that is as much a small gem of American social and cultural history as it is the history of a product or (less so) of a company.  
Summer 2009, Number 62 (John Luke American Bungalow)  
Cabinetmaker Nancy R. Hiller draws on her years of specialty cabinet-making to deliver an entertaining, beautiful and informative history of the Hoosier cabinet revealing its influence on the development of the contemporary American home. July/August 2009 (Home Away)  
Pick it up, start reading and you won't want to put it down. Crazy as it sounds, a story about kitchens is full of wonderment, excitement, and down-home wisdom. The history part is equally engrossing . . . (Nuvo)  
Hiller's authoritative narrative will provide welcome background and detail for historians amateur and professional but the illustrations old and new are just as likely to appeal to a contemporary generation of cabinetmakers, drawn to the functional beauty of this antique concept. December 01, 2009 (Bloomsbury )  
Old house owners and restorers, interior designers, architects, contractors, historic preservationists, kitchen designers, and antique collectors would love a book like this. (Jane Powell author of Bungalow Kitchens)  
In a very real sense, the Hoosier cabinet was a key element in the transformation of the American kitchen from the little-seen, out-of-the-way domain of servants to the focus of all family activity. This book should appeal to the American imagination. (Mary Ellen Polson senior editor of Old House Interiors magazine)  
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