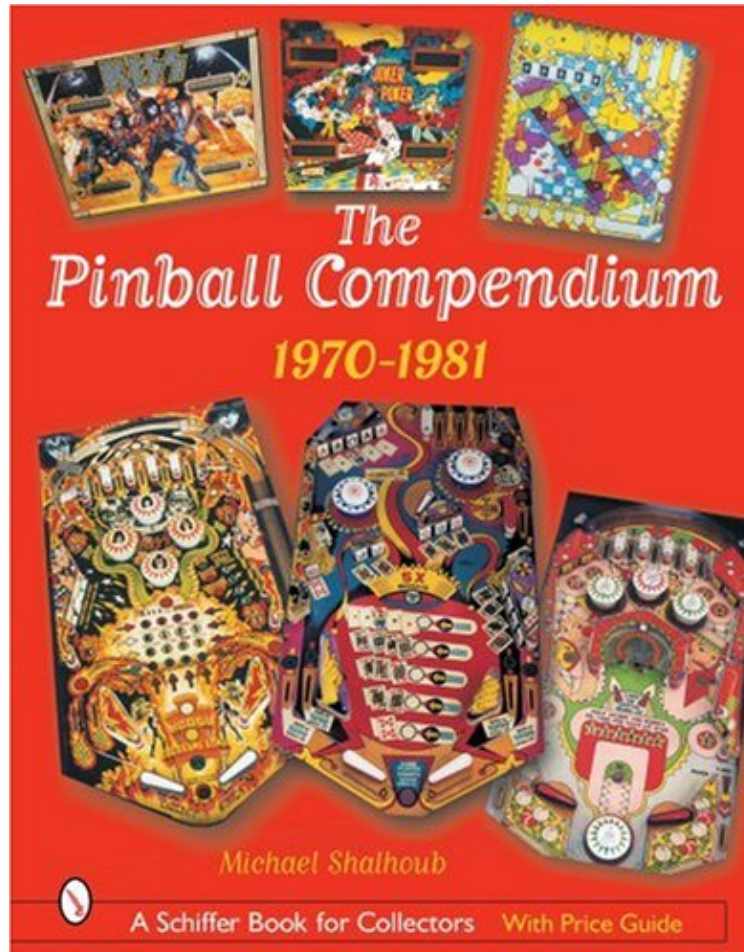


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Michael Shalhoub : The Pinball Compendium: 1970-1981 (Schiffer Book for Collectors) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Pinball Compendium: 1970-1981 (Schiffer Book for Collectors):

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Following on the series By robert angius Good follow up to previous book. Possibly, difficult one to do as previous book had most of the classic games and style. The 70's were more about refining these games and adding new and clever rulesets/gameplays. Trying to come up with something gimmicky to attract a player over their competitor (as Bally turned out to do to become the leader by the late 70's). Excellent in detailing the transition from electro-mechanical to solid state games and offers comparisons. One poor aspect is lack of detail on quite a number of foreign manufacturers. This was a period when countries outside USA took a foothold in the market and showed a fresh approach. This book and the follow up tend to stay USA centralised - I think putting graphics of American to European machines would enhance it considerably. 1 of 1 people found the following review

helpful. good book
By evan22
this book proved invaluable giving some useful info by putting all tables in a book series, makes finding a new machine that much easier. i just wish they had went into details on some of the rules in the game for the tables
1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars
By eben
Great book for the pinball enthusiast. A lot of great pictures. A must have if you own a machine.

Exciting and challenging, pinball games have been enthusiastically played since their inception in the 1930s and are treasured by countless collectors worldwide. This lavishly illustrated book chronicles pinball games from 1970 through 1981, one of the industry's most prolific eras. Hundreds of machines from Gottlieb, Williams, Bally, Chicago Coin, and other manufacturers are showcased -- including many never before published. The extensive text provides descriptions of the games, their special features, historical significance, release dates, and designers. Collectors will love the exclusive interviews with some of pinball's greatest designers and artists. Current values are listed for each machine shown in the book. Along with its companion volume (covering the 1930s to the 1960s), this is a wonderful reference and a tribute to all who were part of pinball's fascinating history.

About the Author
A resident of Sydney, Australia, Michael Shalhoub has been fascinated with pinball machines since childhood and has over four hundred in his collection. He previously wrote *The Pinball Compendium: 1930s-1960s* for Schiffer Publishing.