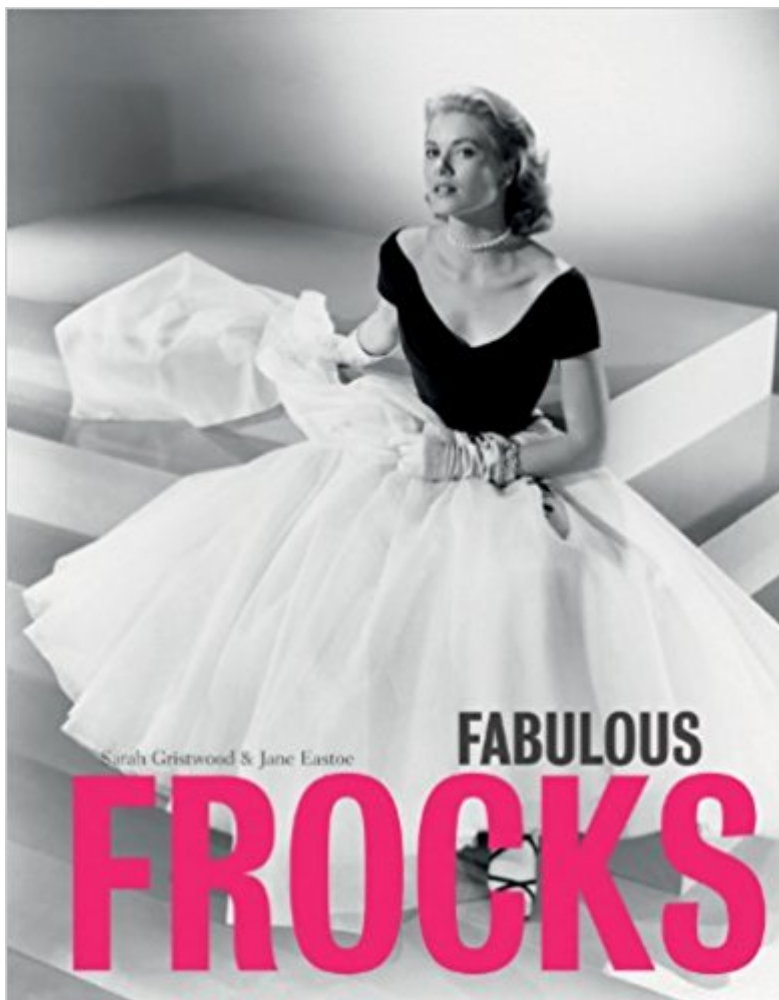




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A stunning celebration of the dress, featuring the most innovative, inspirational, controversial, and covetable from 1908 to 2013. No item of clothing has endured for longer than the dress. Yet the last century alone has seen the most radical changes of style—hemlines swinging from ankle to thigh, outlines alternating between the body-hugging and the bell—and our fascination with the frock has not gone away. From Gres' draping to Dior's New Look, from Mary Quant's mini to Hussein Chalayan's mechanical marvels, this book looks at the dress in 20th-century fashion. Thematic chapters—Changes, Feminine, Sex, Must-Haves, Fantasy, Classical, and Art—set out the inspirations and implications for each new change alongside the stunning photography. It has been more than 80 years since Coco Chanel invented the little black dress, but most women still have one in their wardrobes today. It's been decades since women discovered pants and separates, but many women dream of wearing a glorious, glamorous gown at least once, whether it's on a Hollywood red carpet or on her wedding day.

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'A glorious celebration of 100 years of the dress' The Daily Mail

Sarah Gristwood is the author of *Breakfast at Tiffany's: The Official 50th Anniversary Companion* and *Elizabeth and Leicester*. Jane Eastoe trained in fashion design, then moved to the

fashion business press, for whom she regularly covered the international collections and interviewed designers from Jean-Paul Gaultier to John Galliano. She is the author of Elizabeth: Reigning in Style.

Yes, lovely dresses in the bodies of beautiful women. Those were the days of truly HAUTE COUTURE, where fabrics were treated like gold in the hands of wonderful couturiers.... probably, working for pennies. Also, excellent photos! Entertaining, for a day when you have the flu.

Good present

I was instantly drawn to this book because of the beautiful model on the cover. I always wonder who she is--I see her featured in lots of vintage fashion books and posters. Anyway, the book is good, not as great as the title implies. I left it in my guest room for my fashion illustration professor from graduate school when she came to visit and she commented that she thought it was good. If you love looking at fashion, give yourself a treat and buy it.

I gave this gift to my mom for mother's day - it makes for a great coffee table book! She really enjoyed it.

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