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**Kevin O'Connor : The Best Homes from THIS OLD HOUSE** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Best Homes from THIS OLD HOUSE:

6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Perfect book for a "This Old House" enthusiast  
By Nick  
Some of my fondest memories involve This Old House, sitting and watching it during lunch with my grandparents on Saturdays while growing up. Over the years, my sensibilities have matured but my love for TOH hasn't wavered as it remains perhaps my favorite show on television. I enjoy the show, the process of deconstructing an old home and transforming it into a completely new space while saving, oftentimes, many of the quirks and charm of the original structure. The moments of admiring the product of so much hard work are fleeting, however, and this is the reason why this book is so good. There may be some who lament that this book has absolutely nothing to do with structure, construction processes, or the like but that's not the point of this, that's the point of the show and this is a fact that is made very, very explicit in the introduction if you bother to read it. In other words, if you are looking for tips on how to hang cabinets or fix a leaky faucet this is not for you. So who is this book for, then? Well, it's for the person who loves all the things about TOH but would like some more time to enjoy the finished product, the person who wants to step back and look longingly at the details and features given only the briefest of screen-time on the show. The pictures are gorgeous, well balanced, and crisp. The use of "before" and "after" shots are very much appreciated as it helps to show just how extensive the renovation and transformation is. Alongside the compelling photography is the back story of

each project and brief bios of some of the cast and crew. The backstories add an extra layer of interest to these homes because it is as much the homeowner's likes and wants that go into the finished building as it is the work of designers and carpenters. Overall, this is an excellent book that certainly caters to fans of the show but also is open and inviting to those who perhaps never watched an episode in their lives but do appreciate architecture, fine design, and well-taken photographs. I highly recommend, but simply do not expect this to be a bound version of the show because you will definitely be disappointed. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. This Old House's best of the best By plainjaneLovely to look at. The gang works mostly in the Northeast, so the architecture and climate on the Pacific Coast preclude implementing many of the updates they feature. It's still fun to look at. The photography is stunning. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Awesome book, would recommend to everyone!! By Power Tool Addict I recently purchased this book from .com and just finished reading it from cover to cover. I am a huge fan of This Old House and have been watching the series from the very beginning. I have watched as techniques and materials have substantially improved over the years. If it were not for This Old House, a lot of those products simply would not get the great front and center looks from fans like me. Tom, Norm, Kevin and the rest of the gang are great craftsmen and narrators for the show. You simply could not put in a better crew. With that being said, when I opened the book up, it was like a stroll down memory lane of all the This Old House show that I have watched. For those that have watched the show, or even those that have not watched the show but purchased the book out of curiosity, the craftsmanship and beautiful design simply jump up at you. There are modern clean home designs to rustic barns converted into beautiful homes with modern amenities. Kevin did a great job of piecing this book together, the stories and pictures were well done. I also enjoyed the people short stories on not only on the people in front of the camera but also those that are behind the camera. The story about Tommy screwing and gluing Kevin's tools to the ground made me chuckle. The only thing that I have is Hey Norm, you don't have to do a whole series of the New Yankee Workshop but a couple of shows a year would do, we all really miss and have not forgotten about you!!!

This Old House is America's longest-running home improvement show, airing on PBS since 1979. In this book, host Kevin O'Connor will chronicle 10 of the finest transformations rendered by the craftsmen and artists from the past decade of filming the show. Never before have completed projects from This Old House been displayed in such detail. From interiors to exteriors, with insights from every step of the process, the works presented in this book will give devotees of This Old House something they've never had before—the rarely shown finished spaces. With more than 200 stunning photographs showing the before-and-after of the best houses on the show, and unique insights and stories from O'Connor and some of the well-known crew members, fans of This Old House will be clamoring for this volume. Praise for Best Homes from THIS OLD HOUSE: Get ready for home envy. . . . Kevin O'Connor, host of This Old House, gives readers a personal tour through ten of his favorite projects in his first book, The Best Homes from This Old House. The Boston Herald

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