

The cover features a central title box surrounded by twelve different seashells. At the top left is a large, light-colored scallop with prominent ridges. Next to it is a small, triangular shell with a brown and white spotted pattern. To the right is a star-shaped, orange shell with long, thin spines. Further right is a large, orange, fan-shaped shell with a dark interior. Below the star shell is a small, dark, oval shell. To the right of the title box is a large, orange, oval shell with white spots. Below that is a long, slender, brown and white patterned shell. At the bottom right is a small, white, oval shell with brown spots. In the center of the bottom is a large, orange, fan-shaped shell with a dark interior. To the left of the center is a large, orange, fan-shaped shell with a dark interior. At the bottom left is a large, orange, fan-shaped shell with a dark interior. The shells are arranged in a circular pattern around the central title box.

# COMPENDIUM OF SEASHELLS

A FULL-COLOR GUIDE TO MORE THAN  
4,200 OF THE WORLD'S MARINE SHELLS

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