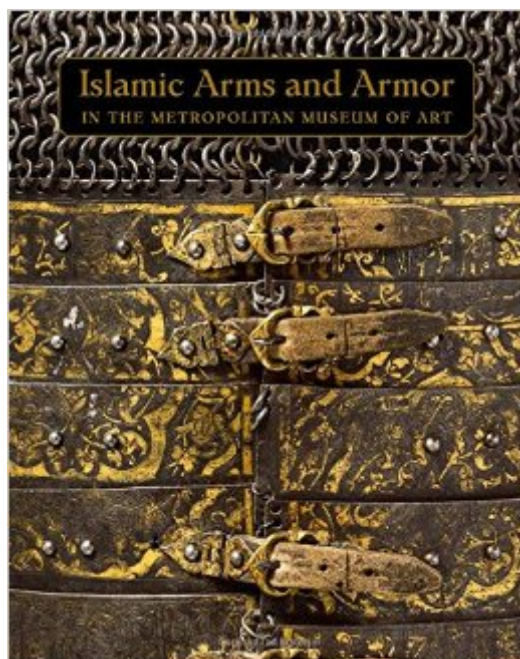


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Islamic Arms And Armor: In The Metropolitan Museum Of Art



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only it is illustrated by some of the best examples in existence, but it also amply refers to other publications and collections, which allows for the presentation that is relatively complete and executed with much integrity and professionalism. Other sections - on blades and firearms are of considerable less interest and suffer from the issue pointed above - some of the periods and schools are clearly over-represented, and while the descriptions are still presenting some important points, one cannot rely on them to be a general guide to the subject. One should also note the excellent foreword by Stuart Phyr, which explains much regarding the formation and extent of the Met's Oriental collections.

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