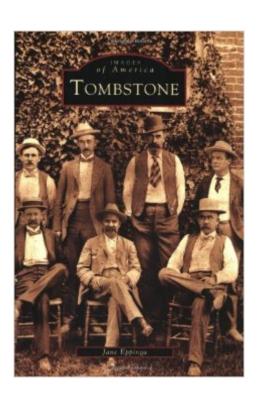
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Synopsis

Tombstone sits less than 100 miles from the Mexico border in the middle of the picturesque Arizona desert and also squarely at the heart of America's Old West. Silver was discovered nearby in 1878, and with that strike, Tombstone was created. It soon grew to be a town of over 10,000 of the most infamous outlaws, cowboys, lawmen, prostitutes, and varmints the Wild West has ever seen. The gunfight at the O.K. Corral made Wyatt Earp and John Henry "Doc" Holliday legendary and secured Tombstone's reputation as "The Town Too Tough to Die." In this volume, more than 200 striking images and informative captions tell the stories of the heroes and villains of Tombstone, the saloons and brothels they visited, the movies they inspired, and Boot Hill, the well-known cemetery where many were buried. ÕÕ

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Jane Eppinga tackles Tombstone in the Images of America series and comes up with a visually pleasing but factually inaccurate endeavor. Eppinga delves into Tombstone's early days, both related and non-related to the OK Corral gunfight, most notably giving a nod to Fort Huachuca and it's importance to southern Arizona. In the OK Corral section, she makes several errors: she refers to Bat Masterson as "Pat"; she states that Virgil Earp was ambushed 2 weeks after the OK Corral gunfight (it was about 2 months); that Morgan Earp's wife Louisa accompanied his casket back to California (she was in California when Morgan was murdered and remained there until his body

arrived); that during the OK Corral shootout, Frank McLaury wounded Virgil Earp in the arm, "leaving it useless for life" (Virgil suffered a calf wound at the OK Corral...the crippling of his arm happened during the above-mentioned ambush); that Judge Wells Spicer drowned in 1881 (Spicer disappeared in 1887...most believed it was suicide). The book is worth buying just for the photos (though she skimps in some spots by using photos that are far lower quality than the same photos in other books), but the buyer is warned regarding the shoddy fact checking.

This book is well worth the purchase. It is a more casual view of historic Tombstone, rather than an academic endeavor. It contains a few factual and proofreading errors (e.g. a picture labeled Wyatt Berry Stapp Earp [correct], but is Wyatt Stapp Berry Earp in the text next to the picture), but nothing that is a serious flaw. You read this book to learn a bit of Tombstone history and to enjoy the many pictures, not to do serious research. Had the book been error free, it would have earned five stars from me.

At first I was reluctant to buy this book because most books have the same picture of the same things and the same people. This book had pictures of everything from buildings to people. The author includes a brief description for each photo and it was really enjoyable to read. However, if you are a history buff most of the descriptions/stories are nothing new. Overall, good book and great pictures.

Too often history is presented as simply names and dates. What makes this book so interesting is seeing the pictures with the names. It's so nice to have a visual reference, and seeing images of the actual people made them more real and gave me a sense of their personalities. Well done!

I bought this book and had it sent to my Mother as a gift! She said when she opened it and started to read it. Did not put it down until finished! She said she loved the book! I can't wait for her to send it to me know!!

I always enjoy these mini-history books published by Arcadia and own several of different regions of the U.S. They make a nice gift too.

very interesting to read. I am find this to be informative, enjoing it and when I go there later this year I will know just whatI wanted to know.

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