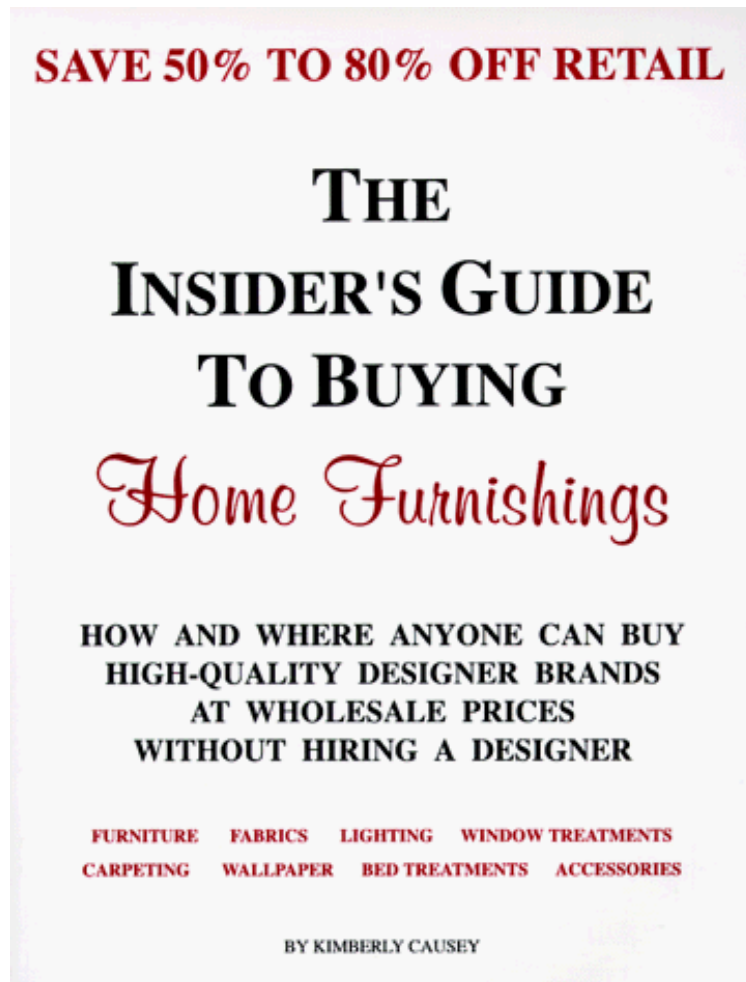


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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. How to shop for furniture for lessBy Joanna D.You can go down to North Carolina, it's said, and purchase furniture for a deep discount off showroom prices elsewhere in the US. Buy enough and the freight charges are well offset by the savings.However, where to begin? Who to see? What to watch out for? The internet is surprisingly little help in providing clear information about buying furniture direct from manufacturers and outlets in North Carolina. This book is of some assistance, organizing information for you. The only caveat is like any other book dealing with retailers or outlets, the information becomes dated. Companies come and go. Websites go up and down. So I recommend this book to learn about the process of buying furniture this way, but you may find the information needs an occasional update.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five

StarsBy CustomerThe book was everything I expected and even more!15 of 23 people found the following review helpful. Useful info, wrong numbers!! Time to get them straight.By FionaKimberly, time to update your contact information for factory outlets.BEWARE of wrong contact information!!!A lot of work for the very first numbers I call! Although I found some great information about furniture buying in Kimberly's book, I also had to do extensive research on the phone numbers and locations listed in it. In light of the author's comments [about the content], I was expecting the information and phone numbers in her book to be accurate and up-to-date. It bugged me to find this is not the case. The first number I called (the Hickory Chair Factory Outlet in Conover, NC) was not a working number. I later called the factory itself and they said they hadn't had that outlet store for "a couple of years." The very next number I called which Kimberly listed for a Hickory Chair factory outlet was also wrong. I got some other furniture retailer who sells antique grandfather clocks. By going to the company website, I found they have three factory outlets operating within Thomasville Factory Outlet (the spokesperson said Hickory is owned by Thomasville) only one of which is mentioned by Kimberly in her book. Kimberly also lists Hickory Chair as having a factory outlet in the Hickory Furniture Mart (see p. 33) but it is NOT a factory outlet. It is a retailer, Boyles, who sells Hickory Chair (as well as other brands) at the Furniture Mart. Even though she lists the furniture factory outlets at the Furniture Mart on p. 35 and the Hickory Chair company is not one of them, she does list Hickory Chair under Factory Outlets on p. 33. I also found a problem with the third number I called!Not such a good record and I all this work on the very first numbers I call! I'm wary of trusting any more factory outlet numbers and information.

Book by Causey, Kimberly

The Insider's Guide To Buying Home Furnishings shows how to be your own decorator and buy your homefurnishings from wholesale sources; how to attend wholesale trade shows where new products are shown to interior decorators; how to shop at wholesale design centers and independent wholesale showrooms; how and where to get the best bargains on home furnishings; how to take correct measurements and choose the right materials so that you can order custom window treatments and choose the right materials so that you can order custom window treatments and bed treatments directly from wholesale workrooms; how to spot merchandise and services that won't give you good value for your money; how to protect yourself from scams and rip-offs in the home furnishings industry; and how to make certain that your furnishings are high-quality and will last for many years. Also listed are over 1,000 factory outlets, "order by phone" services, and deep discount sources. The Insider's Guide To Buying Home Furnishings is an accurate, money-saving, do-it-yourself manual. -- Midwest Book