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From Laughing Elephant : Victorian Valentines: Postcard Book before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Victorian Valentines: Postcard Book:

8 of 8 people found the following review helpful. Good size and quality. By Heather Beard I bought these cards for an office Valentine's exchange. Our little party was similar to the ones we had in school where you drop off Valentines in a cute box. I also sent them to my son's day care Valentine's party for the teachers. These were a big hit as they are pretty and unique. They were easy to tear out of the book and were thick enough to write on with a sharpie. Each of the cards has a different picture. I think they would hold up fine in the mail too, if that is your purpose. 11 of 11 people found the following review helpful. Beautiful Victorian Cards By AngelPie I'm very pleased with these cards. The designs are lovely. The cards are easy to tear from the book, which is a problem I often find with other postcard books. The only negative thing I've found is that the cardstock is not as thick as I'd like. It's on par with many other postcard books, but I always prefer very sturdy postcards. These cards are a unique way to say "I love you" or tell someone you're thinking of them around Valentine's Day. Great for anyone who loves Victorian emphaera. 6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Very Beautiful Valentines By Sherry Anderson I ordered these to use as an additional table decoration at my daughter's wedding reception. She got married on Valentine's Day. I actually removed each card from the book and used a paper cutter to square off and smooth the torn out card. They were such beautiful cards, unique designs and high quality. I made a stand from card stock and rubber cemented it on the back to display each card.

The most romantic and florid expressions of love were the fashion in the Victorian Age, which was to be expected of a time that masked and ornamented the erotic impulse. The end of that era was coincident with the golden age of the postcard (1890 to World War 1) and so we have tens of thousands of Valentines Day postcards, many displaying high levels of imaginations and design.

About the Author Laughing Elephant, along with the Blue Lantern Studio and Green Tiger Press, houses one of the world's finest book and ephemera collections focusing on children's and juvenile art.