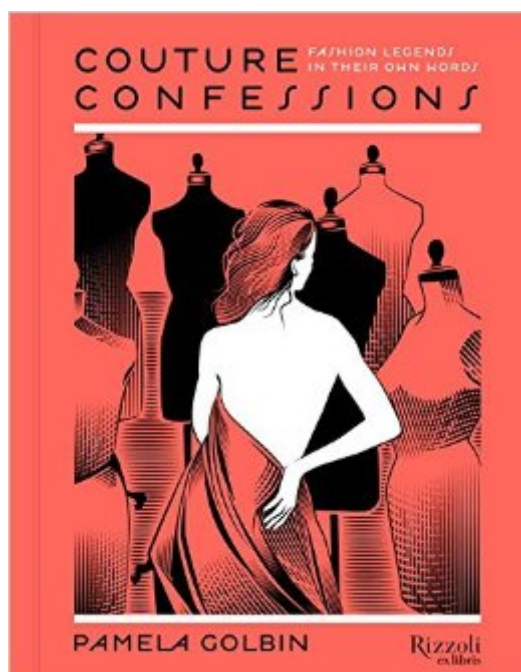


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# Couture Confessions: Fashion Legends In Their Own Words



## Synopsis

Late legendary couturiers of modern fashion speaking eloquently about life, design, and inspiration. Vionnet, Chanel, Dior, Saint Laurent, McQueen—these names define haute couture, and long after the designers have passed away, their influence on fashion continues to be profound. In an exceptional compilation of the original words of these couturiers, *Couture Confessions* provides a unique and in-depth look at the lives and work of these fashion icons. In this engaging, beautifully designed book, Pamela Golbin, acclaimed chief curator of twentieth-century fashion and textiles at Paris's Musée des Arts Décoratifs, has ingeniously constructed conversations in the designers' own words that highlight their compelling personal stories as well as essential fashion "moments"—from designers Paul Poiret, Cristóbal Balenciaga, Madame Grès, Alexander McQueen, Madeleine Vionnet, and Gabrielle Chanel to Elsa Schiaparelli, Yves Saint Laurent, Jeanne Lanvin, Pierre Balmain, and Christian Dior. Featuring striking illustrations by internationally recognized illustrator Yann Legendre, each "interview" asks the questions every fashion lover has always wanted to ask, making these legends approachable, human, and ever more inspiring.

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A truly interesting way of introducing to us here and now the late fashion designers. Pamela made it seem she was interviewing the designers as though they were sitting in front of her today. Very enjoyable reading.

This is a very clever tome that hones in on the voices of seminal designers from the 20th and 21st

century, providing a peek into some of fashion's most creative minds. Those featured are given a voice, through Ms. Golbin's succinctly charming, fictional interviews (sprinkled with wisdom gleaned from original diaries, news articles, and various other primary sources), and given a stunning nostalgic visage through Yann Legendre's pointed black-and-white illustrations - what fascinated me most about these intimate tête-à-tête conversations is that most of the fashion visionaries featured, including Paul Poiret, Christian Dior, and even Coco Chanel, are spirited reminders that the current age of Designer as a public spokesperson for a Brand (with a very intentional capital 'B') as we know it today, is a relatively recent phenomenon.

This book is an absolute delight--a lively and informative history of 20th century fashion, woven from the words of the industry's most gifted, influential, and colorful geniuses. Pamela Golbin has performed that most thrilling of scholarly miracles: she has brought the past back to life, with all the texture, color, and elegance of the styles her subjects pioneered. For anyone who cares about fashion, "Couture Confessions" is an indispensable read.

I love it! Finally a book that gives me a candid and intimate insight into the lives of Fashion's legendary designers. A must read for anyone interested in extraordinary lives. I felt as if each of the eleven couturiers was addressing me personally. I learned so much about the designers that founded today's biggest fashion houses. I wish it never ended. Beautiful book and perfect gift!

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