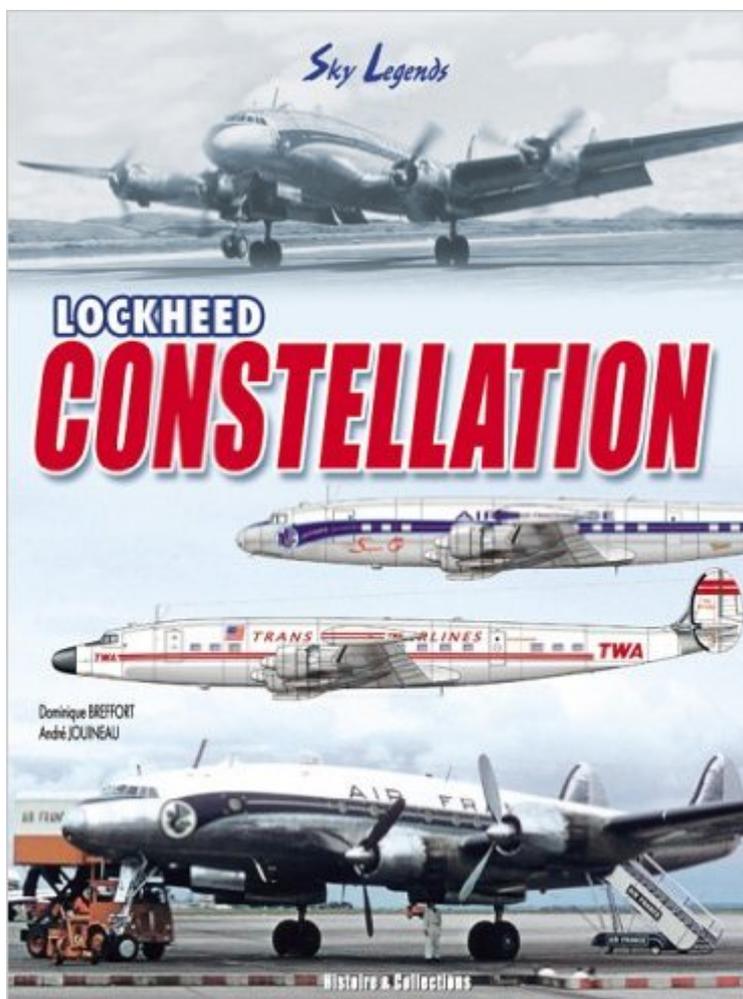


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I have many books about the Constellation, but none surpasses this book for picture quality and detail. There are many aircraft color schemes and markings for airliners and military aircraft along with detailed information about each Constellation series. It is filled with a huge number of crisp and clear black and white and color photographs, and best of all the entire printing is on glossy paper. Considering the picture variety and quality and the great amount of detailed information this is a must have for Connie fans.

As usual with Histoire & Collections monographs, this outstanding volume is well worth its Amazon price. Archival photos and other time-period items justify this book as a nostalgic treasure.

At the same time, the details of the mechanics of the parts of the aircraft, its history in detail and the inclusive, myriad of stunning side profiles, excellently and artistically painted, showing virtually every model ever flown are almost without equal in any single-type aircraft volume. Don't miss this book if you like classic, commercial/military aircraft and one of the most beautiful and functional planes of yesteryear. It's a gem!

I have all of the books published on the Constellation, and this one is my favorite. It is the best illustrated book on the "Connie". If you want technical data and detailed production histories for all airframes built, then "The Lockheed Constellation Series" by Peter J. Marson, Air-Britain Publications, 2007, is the best.

One of the most visually appealing books on the Lockheed Constellation I have ever seen. Excellent Lockheed archive photos combined with historic advertising artwork. Offers a complete history of the aircraft. Unfortunately, the text was very literally translated from the French. The outstanding profile illustrations (approx 130 civil and 20 military) are worth the price of the book alone! An outstanding book, even with the translated text.

The Connie is a classic airliner with wonderful lines. This book is an exhaustive overview of the many civilian and military variants. It features dozens of side illustrations depicting the various liveries. And it has a lot of great photographs. Unfortunately, the text has been badly translated from the French. You can generally understand it, but it takes a lot of work to read it. They really needed an editor to clean up the text. It's too bad, because without that flaw, this would be a wonderful book.

If you like Connie's or even Propliners in general buy this book. It's a wonderful compilation of facts, photos and artwork. Lots of detail on military versions of the Connie. The only Connie fact in the book that I found questionable was the claim that a 1649 Starliner had done pylon racing. Clay Lacy raced a DC 7 but I don't recall any Connies in races. Buy this book. You will not be disappointed. Mark

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