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OK, I'll admit it. When I saw this book at an airliners collectibles show, my knees went weak. I am a softie when it comes to nostalgia. You see, I had this book as a child (though many people say I haven't quite grown up yet). I flew on those DC-8s (such as the bird pictured on the cover) and 707s (illustrated on the frontispiece, striking a provocative pose with JFK's new jet-age terminals in the background). This book was first published in 1951 and remained in print for more than two decades! The contents are a mix of aeronautical technologies from all these years. The section on how fly an airplane shows a Ryan (North American) Navion, a sporty four-seater built between 1947 and 1950. The Sikorsky S-58s are from the mid- to late 1950s; some of the types of helicopters illustrated have long disappeared, while others are still in production to this day. The Lear Jet and Boeing 727 were added around 1963, while the jet engines are still frozen in the pre-1960 era of the turbojet (prior to the much more economical turbofans of today). The artwork showing the cabin and flight deck, likewise, are pre-1958 - the light greens and pinks really take you back to that era! As you can see, even if some of the technology is somewhat dated, this book more than makes up for it in

nostalgia. As a side note, the original 1951 edition featured the then-new modern miracle of the Boeing 377 Stratocruiser (if my memory serves me correctly), so if you are a fan of propliners as well, you might want to pick up a copy of that edition as well, even if some pages will be repeated. Enjoy the trip!

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