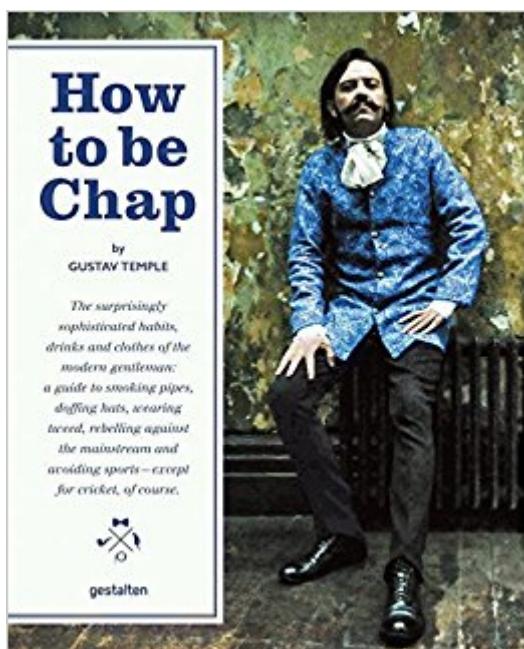


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How To Be Chap: The Surprisingly Sophisticated Habits, Drinks And Clothes Of The Modern Gentleman



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A tweed suit, pipe, umbrella, and hat; a large dose of British humor and no sports — well, except for cricket. The Chap is the modern English gentleman, and he's out to conquer the world. How to be Chap explores the roots of the English gentleman and follows them to the present day. Today's chaps live according to their own rules — with hats, pipes, and, of course, British humor. Inspired by men such as Beau Brummell and Lord Byron, they maintain proper English ideals and virtues. By stepping back to tradition, they're advancing a lifestyle revolution. In this book, chap expert Gustav Temple explains how a chap dresses, where he goes on vacation, which sports he plays (cricket) and which ones he doesn't (everything else). From the historical foundations of British gentlemen's culture to today's dos and don'ts, How to be Chap provides thorough answers to chap-related questions and plenty of cultivated laughs.

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I am pleased to be the first reader to contribute a review of this fine tome. Any fans (like me) of the excellent "I Am Dandy" book by Natty Adams and Rose Callahan will want to add "How to be a Chap" to their library of top-quality books about men's dress and behavior. "Chap" even uses several photos, and men, from Rose's "Dandy" shoots. Whereas "Dandy" deals with the men who devote themselves to the finer things, "Chap" gives you a manual on how to join in their ranks. It covers the history of gentleman culture from Beau Brummell to Mr. B, the Gentleman Rhymer and

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