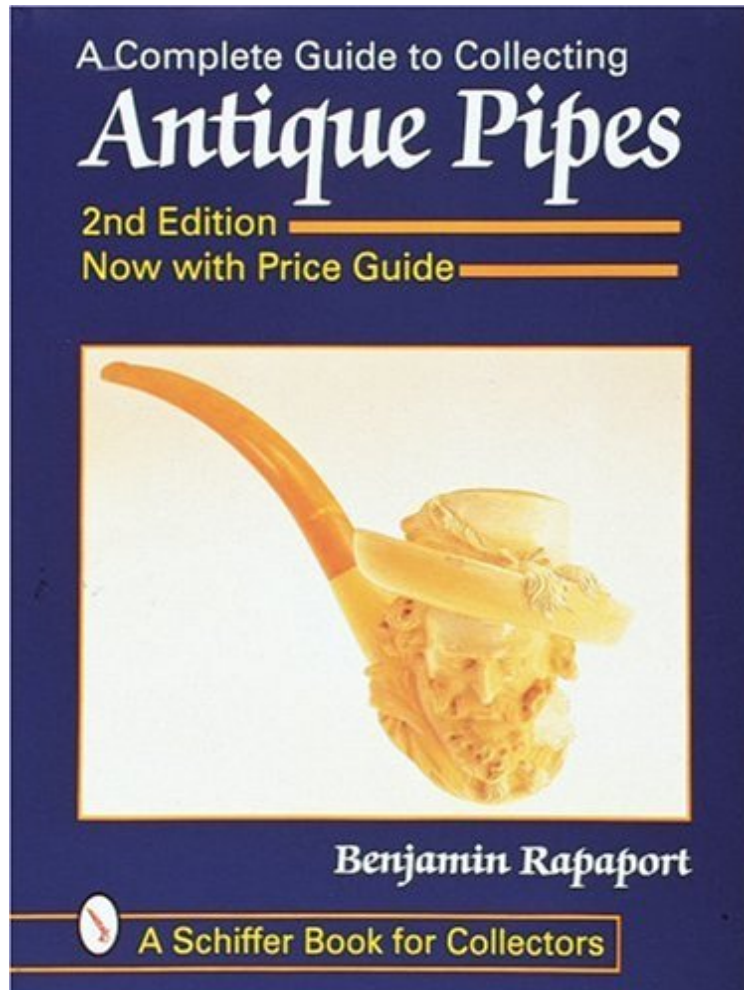


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About the Author Ben Rapaport has been an avid pipe collector for more than twenty years and is the author of *A Tobacco Source Book* (1972). His interest has led him to acquire a great library for tobacco research, which he shares in the form of a chapter of recommended reading. Included are his suggestions for repairs and restoration to pipes.