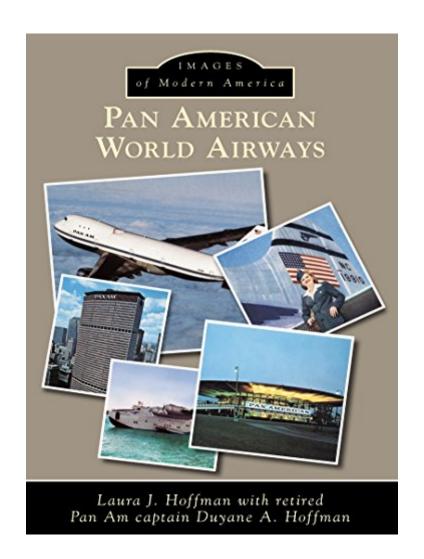


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In 1927, American entrepreneur Juan T. Trippe founded what would later become Pan American World Airways, one of the worldi; s most prominent airlines of the 20th century. From the very first airmail flight flown from Key West to Cuba, Trippe provided leadership and innovation that put Pan Am at the top of the commercial airline industry. His global pioneering spirit expanded the worldi; s reach for the masses while at the same time provided the most glamorous of air-travel experiences. The rise and fall of an American empire is examined in this full-color postcard history of Pan Am.

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This collection by the daughter of a 38-year Pan Am pilot is an interesting, though imperfect, look at the "World's Most Experienced Airline". The images, presented roughly chronologically, show the aircraft, facilities and destinations of Pan Am, but not much about the people. The images, as common on many older color postcards, are often rather dark and contrasty, and no effort was

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