

Anchors

Do you have to be ex-Navy or otherwise be an ‘old salt’ to collect Anchors? Not at all!! As with all categories, big and small, it’s whatever strikes you fancy. Anchors are like the Shipwheel covers or a number of other related small categories—cover wise, they’re all an offshoot of Seafood Restaurants...and those Seafood Restaurant collectors are a determined lot!

This actually makes a pretty interesting and attractive collection. Anchors come in all sizes and colors, and again, as with any category of this nature, any cover with an anchor on it, even if it’s just a tiny part of the design, qualifies for inclusion in this category. You’ll find them on many sea food restaurant covers, of course, but there are a number of Banks and Savings & Loans which use anchors as logos, especially those from the Northeast. Navy covers, obviously, will have anchors, as well as charter fishing covers, and so forth.

I don’t collect them, myself, but anytime I come across a cover with an anchor on it, I file it away. It won’t be long before it’s on its way to some soon-to-be-happy collector. Also, don’t forget that there’s a “Small Category” category in the display competition at both the AMCAL and RMS conventions. “Anchors” might just be what you need to hoist that beautiful award-winning plaque up on your trophy room wall!

The world’s largest anchors? Probably the eight 75-ton anchors produced in 2007 in Rotterdam.

The lat Mel Garrett, KS, reported having 193 Anchor covers in 1993, but there must be collections in the several hundreds at least, since they are quite common.

