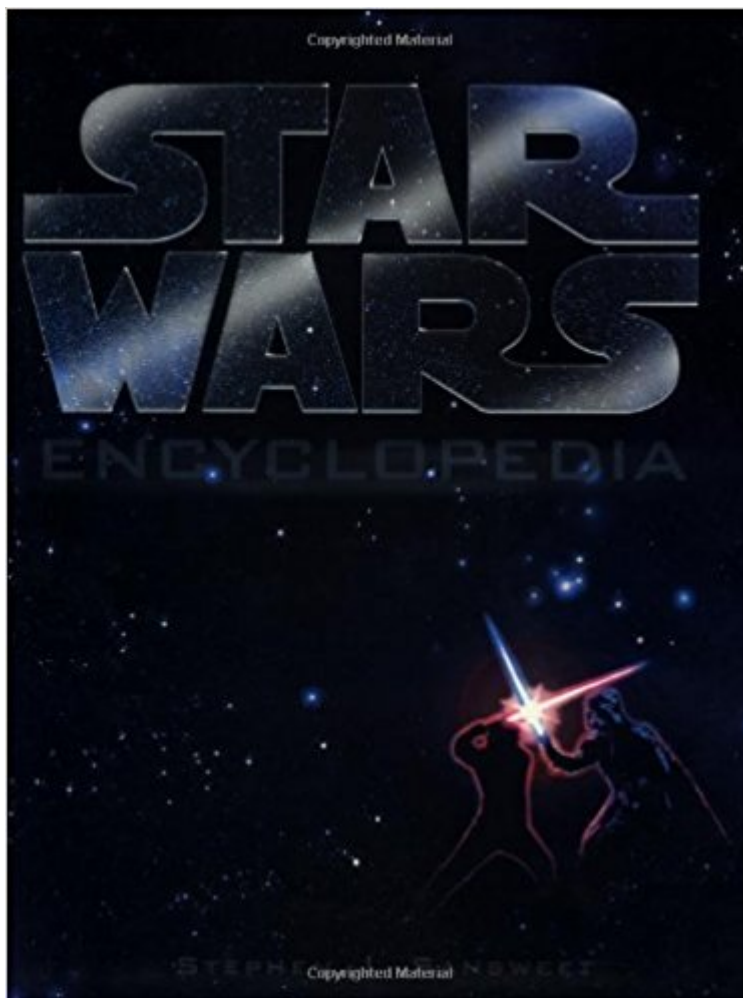


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The Star Wars Encyclopedia



Synopsis

Its vast history and environs have been explored, studied, and chronicled extensively for more than twenty years. Now, this landmark volume--a definitive reference devoted exclusively to the Star Wars milieu--draws together data from films, radio dramas, novels, short stories, computer games, and more, running the full gamut of this extraordinary galaxy. From science and technology to history and geography; from culture and biography to ecology and cosmology; from "abo" and "Abrax" to "zwil" and "Zirtran's Anchor," this all-encompassing, fully illustrated, alphabetical reference covers all the elements which have developed and expanded the Star Wars universe, creating a rich and diverse history that spans millennia. Its scope ranges from the renowned and infamous ("Luke Skywalker," "Darth Vader") to the obscure and enigmatic ("Tnun Bdu"); from the history of the Sith Wars to the Galactic Civil War that pit the Rebel Alliance against the Empire. It introduces us to the natives and customs of planets as diverse as Tatooine and Dagobah, and even to the secrets and beliefs of the Jedi Knights. As a bonus for the intensive researcher, this massive reference includes the complete timeline of major events in Star Wars history. Every key element that exists in the world of Star Wars is supplied here--in clearly defined entries that have been researched and written by one of the leading authorities on the Star Wars universe.

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Since 1977, the Star Wars universe, conceived by George Lucas, has been explored by authors and artists eager to build on the foundation laid by the blockbuster movies. The Star Wars

Encyclopedia is the essential guide to every detail of the history, planets, vehicles, politics, aliens, and weapons described in countless books, comics, stories, and (of course) movies. You'll find extraordinary details about old favorites here--for instance, did you know that Luke Skywalker helped rescue Han and Leia's children from the dark side of the Force? Or that the primary food of Jawas is the hubba gourd? Endless hours of browsing pleasure await you, from A-1 Deluxe Floater (a luxury air speeder) to ZZ-4Z (Han Solo's housekeeping droid). Each item is cross-referenced to the book, movie, or comic in which it appears, but fans looking for "real-life" information about the Star Wars phenomenon won't find it here--this is strictly a resource for those who want to keep track of how all the stories and characters fit together, the clothes they wear, the foods they eat, and the planets they call home. --Therese Littleton

YA-Pulling together data from all of the official sources of Star Wars information, Sansweet presents this alphabetically arranged volume on characters, planets, weapons, technology, events, and just about anything else that appears in any of the various comics, movies, books, toys, and collectibles currently available. Made for easy browsing, the entries lead to cross references and interconnections as needed. Fans may spend hours serendipitously flipping pages back and forth reading entries as well as perusing the countless full-color photographs, black-and-white sketches, and cartoons. A "Source Code and Bibliography" listing provides the key to the sources and complete bibliographic information used. The time line aides the chronological understanding of the epic story. Serious fans will find this a major source of helpful facts presented in a useful format. Pam Johnson, Fairfax County Public Library, VA Copyright 1998 Reed Business Information, Inc.

I bought this mostly for the nostalgia. If you were ever really into the expanded universe based on the original trilogy, this encyclopedia will give you flashbacks to your favorite books and characters as you flip through the pages. In case you overlooked the publication date, this does not include Episodes 1-3 or any of the post-Disney rewrite of history.

I was so happy to find this and finally own it for myself! Childhood memories of checking this book out from the public library came flooding back when I opened it. It is the best Star Wars Encyclopedia I have ever encountered, mostly because it covers the Expanded Universe - which is important to me because of all the characters, places and events that I read about in the books. So if you love Star Wars and the Expanded Universe, this is a real treasure!!

Great nostalgic book. Even though there are newer versions, this is still enjoyable. I got it as a gift and it didn't disappoint.

Great book of knowledge for any Star Wars fan. I use it from time to time to reference various things, though I hate to admit that I know quite a bit of this stuff already! Overall, a perfect purchase for any true Star Wars fan!

Book is ok for reading references but not for pictures. Mostly it is small paragraphs on each character or item from the movies, and would like to see more pictures but this is an older book. It will do in a pinch for an easy quick reference to your favorite character or scene. Book came in good shape, nice binding and clean pages. Easy to read print, and book dust cover intact.

I remember when this book was released to sell. I had seen it several times and at that time, I was unable to afford it. Even though it's long out of date there is still much relevant information in it. Glad I found it and for the price I paid, was most definitely worth it.

A good book for background on characters and places. I bought this book used, but it was still in really good condition. A little brief on some things, but covers the important stuff pretty well. Has pictures of most characters and prominent objects and ships. No large pictures. Good quality paper and print.

This book opened the door even wider into the marvelous world of Star Wars. Having read through the encyclopedia twice I now see aliens and characters that I never knew were more than backdrops for a scene. This book tells of planets, plants, animals, droids, and characters that I had no idea existed. A must have for anyone wanting to delve deeper into nearly every aspect of the original Star Wars Trilogy and books written since.

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