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Wonder Woman: A Celebration Of 75 Years



Synopsis

The most recognizable superheroine of all time, Wonder Woman has been an essential part of the DC Universe and an icon for female empowerment for more than 75 years. Armed with her lasso of truth and her bullet-stopping bracelets, the Princess journeys into Man's World again and again, spreading her mission of peace and goodwill and fiercely battling injustice where she finds it. She's a princess, a warrior and an ambassador. Beautiful as Aphrodite, wise as Athena, stronger than Hercules, swifter than Mercury...she is Wonder Woman! **WONDER WOMAN: A CELEBRATION OF 75 YEARS** collects more than 400 pages of the iconic heroine's best stories, from her first appearance by William Moulton Marston and H.G. Peter, to her modern 1960s redesign by Denny O'Neil and Mike Sekowsky, to her present-day adventures by Brian Azzarello and Cliff Chiang. Other legendary talents featured include George Pérez, Darwyn Cooke, Robert Kanigher, Gene Colan, Phil Jimenez, Mike Deodato, Greg Rucka, Gail Simone and more. **Collects ALL-STAR COMICS #8; SENSATION COMICS #1; WONDER WOMAN (1942-) #7, #28, #64, #93, #99, #107, #142, #177, #179, #195, #204, #288, #600; WONDER WOMAN (1987-) #1; WONDER WOMAN vol. 3 #0; JUSTICE LEAGUE: NEW FRONTIER SPECIAL #1; SENSATION COMICS FEATURING WONDER WOMAN (2014-) #1 and #7.**

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Customer Reviews

This book is exactly what I expected of it, an anthology of stories that trace the evolution of the character over the years since her original debut, both in terms of art and story. It is as much a history of the country during those years as it is of a comic book character.

Great collection of eras. All the issue selections were great. Darwin Cooke issue was a pleasant surprise. Loved all of it

This book does an excellent job of giving readers a flavor of how Wonder Woman has been depicted in her many incarnations. Do keep in mind that this book only gives a view of a comic book or two from each incarnation, so most cover only the smallest part of any story arc.

love it

Wow, Wonder Woman has had many changes.

I don't usually write reviews, but I'm enjoying this book so much that I wanted to go ahead and toss in my 2 cents on this one. First, I'd like to point out that despite my age, I'm new to superhero comic books. As a young boy back in the 70s, I preferred to spend my hard earned allowance on the humor mags such as Mad, Crazy and Cracked rather than comic books. Not shockingly, my late interest in comic books stems from the plethora of Marvel/DC/etc. superhero movies that have been released over the past 10+ years. Specifically, in regard to this review for Wonder Woman: A Celebration of 75 Years, I'm absolutely (at the time of writing this) looking forward to the imminent release of the Wonder Woman (2017) movie. In anticipation of that, I became curious about Wonder Woman's origin story, and knowing absolutely nothing whatsoever about the history of the character or her astoundingly long lived comic book run (compared with every other superhero in existence), I searched "Wonder Woman" on .com, and this book was near the top of the result list. I never buy anything without extensively researching it first, hemming and hawing, and then finally making a decision after much mental debate. The other positive reviews did help, particularly the one by HotPinkSubs. It is noted by other reviewers that this book is a general overview, and not a comprehensive one (i.e., it omits significant chunks of WW's overall continuity). Given what I've learned over the past month (beyond the material presented in this book), it would be impossible to provide an all-inclusive overview of Wonder Woman in the 300 pages contained in this book (probably 1000 pages wouldn't be sufficient for that). My observation is that the intent of this book is to (at a low price for a nice hardbound edition) include what are probably considered to be the most relevant "milestone" Wonder Woman stories, starting with her introduction by William Moulton Marston (in All-star Comics #8) at the onset of the "Golden Age" of superhero comics. For someone

like myself (i.e., a comic book newbie), this really has been an ideal introduction to Wonder Woman. For someone who is well versed in Wonder Woman and/or has already collected many of her comics, this might be a nice book to have, but is probably material you are already familiar with or have otherwise collected. The table of contents is readily viewable in the "Look inside" if you are wondering what comic books/stories are included. Admittedly, I'm only half way through the book, but I already can say that this purchase was emphatically worth every penny I paid. Given the vast number of writers and illustrators who have penned the Wonder Woman stories over the past 75 years, this book has provided the concise yet broad swathed overview that I needed to be able to pinpoint the writers/artists/stories that are most appealing to me. For example, I had no idea there was such a thing as the "Diana Prince" era, and given Wonder Woman loses her costume and powers, I undoubtedly would have written that story arc off as not being of interest to me. However, after reading issues #179 & #204, which are included in this collection, much to my surprise I found this spy/secret agent version of Wonder Woman to be intriguing. That said, being most fascinated by the original Marston & Peters Wonder Woman, I've already purchased Wonder Woman: The Golden Age Omnibus Vol. 1, but I'm definitely looking forward to reading the more modern stories collected in the second half of A Celebration of 75 Years, because having already browsed the remainder of the book, it's obvious to me that there are certainly going to be more writers and illustrators whose work on Wonder Woman I find to be appealing. Notably, in regard to the broader DC publications Celebration of XX Years series, I'm also figuring on purchasing Catwoman: A Celebration of 75 Years, and venturing down that path as well. In a nutshell, this book has been an ideal introduction to Wonder Woman for someone who previously had absolutely no knowledge at all about the comic book character (aside from what was portrayed in the Lynda Carter television series that I watched religiously back when it originally aired). In this regard, Wonder Woman: A Celebration of 75 Years has served outstandingly well as a relatively inexpensive way to get acquainted with the vast universe of stories about the amazing who wears the golden tiara and red, white and blue costume.

Great to again see from the advantage point of 72 years, the heroics and myth of the star, Wonder Woman

Got it for my friend for christmas, and she loved it. The art on it is fantastic.

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