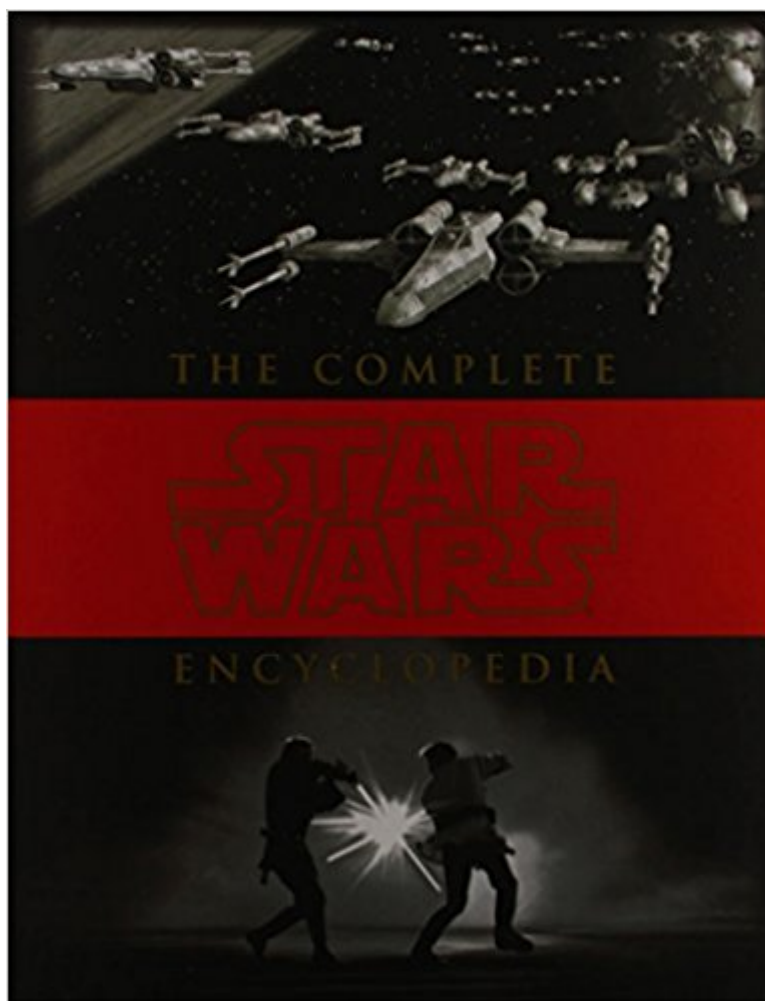


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THE DEFINITIVE REFERENCE GUIDE TO A SPACE FANTASY PHENOMENON
The Star Wars universe, much like our own, is constantly expanding. In the ten years since the publication of the Star Wars Encyclopedia, a lot has happened in that galaxy far, far away: four new feature films, a host of official original novels, comics, video games, and more. Now, thirty years of information on all things Star Wars—ranging from science and technology to history and geography, culture and biography to ecology and cosmology—has been supplemented with an entire decade's worth of all-new material. Abundantly illustrated with full-color artwork and photos, and now in a new three-volume edition to accommodate its wealth of detailed entries, the Star Wars Encyclopedia encompasses the full measure of George Lucas's creation. Here's just a sampling of what's inside: character portraits of both the renowned (Luke Skywalker, Queen Amidala, Darth Vader) and the obscure (Tnuun Bdu, Tycho Celchu, Bib Fortuna) the natives and customs of planets as diverse as Tatooine and Hoth, Dagobah and Kashyyyk the rituals, secrets, and traditions of Jedi Knights and Sith Lords a timeline of major events in Star Wars history, from the Clone Wars and the inception of the Empire to the rise and fall of Anakin Skywalker and the invasion of the monstrous Yuuzhan Vong
Scrupulously researched and written by leading authorities Stephen J. Sansweet, Pablo Hidalgo, Bob Vitas, and Daniel Wallace, this landmark work is the must-have centerpiece of every Star Wars library.

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Customer Reviews

Best of the Month, December 2008: Updated for the first time in 10 years, The Complete Star Wars Encyclopedia is the closest fans will come to having access to the great Holocron from the Jedi Temple on Coruscant. Housed in a sturdy slipcase, the illustrated, three-volume hardcover set holds an A-Z overview of all things Star Wars--from the original trilogy and the prequels to the expanded universe of novels, comics, cartoons, and video games. Most entries on the three-column pages garner a few sentences while core characters and fan favorites like the family Fett spill over to multiple pages of data. As fans know, nearly everyone who appeared onscreen in the films has gone on to receive an entire backstory, but even die-hard fans will delight in the discoveries found on every page. Random, Magic 8 Ball-style browsing brought up head-scratchers like Malarian Alliance, Traest Kre'fey, Rybet, Lieutenant Colf, Guun Han Saresh, bruise-leech crawler, and Ion Alley. And did you know that the bug-eyed alien "dog" in Jabba's palace on Tatooine had a name--"Bubo"--and was in fact a spy and an assassin? According to Yoda, "size matters not," but this 10-pound box set will make a welcome addition to the serious Star Wars fan's bookshelf. --Brad Thomas Parsons

I was wondering with all the Star Wars books that I have-do I really need this? Yes I do! If I ever want additional information about anything in the Star Wars Universe, I can just look it up in this volume. To say that it is comprehensive is an understatement. You could read for probably 7 minutes on the Death Star and learn that it was a project of Grand Moff Tarkin and that they had problems with Sabotage initially as an example. What's great is that it has taken all the information for what seems like every book in the Star wars Universe (which is a ton) and put all that information here for us to digest in easy sittings. The same strength is also a weakness considering that information is no longer Cannon with Disney having purchased the franchise but the information is compelling nonetheless. An example is in the Princess Leia Organa piece it talks a lot about Jacen and Jaina Solo the twins and her Daughter with Han whose prominence rises in the Thrawn Trilogy, but those characters will presumably not exist with the coming of the new trilogy. Regardless, a great piece for the big Star wars fan. Pick it up used for around \$50 and it is well worth your money and time.

A great way to be able to study all things star wars. Up until 2008. But its still the most up to date printed star wars cannon encyclopedia to then. Its a 3 volume collection in a nice collection case. The Volumes are hardbacks and made of pretty thick paper so you don't need to worry about ripping the paper. There are pictures for a lot of the entries but not all. If they tried that it would take another 4 books. I'm very pleased with this product.

A very well done, descriptive, in-depth look at the Star Wars universe before they were acquired by the Mouse overlords. The original and prequel trilogies are very fleshed out here, as is the former Expanded Universe. A must have for any fan looking to obtain more information on characters, vehicles, weapons, stories, locations and history of the fandom we love so much.

I got these Encyclopedias for my fiancÃ© who is a huge star wars nerd. He absolutely loved the detail in them and we had a wonderful time reading them together. I would only recommend this for people who are interested in the old cannon (before Disney wiped everything past Episode 6 clean). It is a really useful tool if you want to write a novel about Star Wars or do a star wars based D&D roleplaying game. It arrived on time and in wonderful condition.

This Encyclopedia covers a lot more than my previous one did. I'm thankful I got an updated one. It's 3 books. I can't even give the book justice if I was tell all the graphics and the amount of information here. I love it.

The encyclopedia is thoroughly entertaining, especially as it covers all 6 movies (which along with the Zahn books are all I care about. How many 2000yrs in the future Skywalker generation stories can we stomach?)My only gripe is that, unlike the Star Trek encyclopedia, there are no source references. For instance, I have no idea what the Yuuzhan Vong are, but it seems important, yet I have no idea how to find some stories or books with them in them because of this omission. You still have to use the Internet to google where these character come from. But, it's all fiction, and it's endless hours of entertainment. I'll never have to buy another edition!

It seems Star Wars has been with us almost forever. I saw the first film while still at college and dreaming of a career as a visual effects model maker. Eventually I succeeded, inspired strongly by the imagination of George Lucas and the technicians who visualised his visions. As a fanboy made good, some of my personal dreams were realised when, almost twenty years on, I finally worked as

a props maker on the last two Star Wars movies. However, as keen as I was about these films, I knew almost nothing about the expanded universe of novels, comics and other media that has grown up in the same period. That is where this book becomes really useful. There is a lot more to Star Wars than just the movies and this encyclopedia provides easy to find information and lots of illustrations, photos and art that all help to explain the imagined worlds of a Galaxy far far away. Handsomely bound in three volumes inside a robust slipcase that feels like it will last for years, this will become my essential reference for all future forays into that galaxy far, far away... My only complaint is the gloss orange and matte black book covers, which although graphically stunning, show even the faintest fingerprint! This is one edition you may want to read while wearing gloves!

this is for the ultimate star wars fan who wants to know everything about the star wars universe. this book has everything you need or want to know it is packed full of facts and information. however it doesn't have as many pictures as i thought. when reading the information you want to see the picture of what the texts describes which it does just not as much. all in all great product love it.

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