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Star Wars Costumes





Synopsis

Who can forget the first time Darth Vader marched onto Princess Leia's ship, in his black cape and mask? Or the white hard-body suit of the stormtroopers? Or Leia's outfit as Jabba's slave? These costumesâ "like so many that adorned the characters of that galaxy far, far awayâ "have become iconic. For the first time, the Lucasfilm Archives is granting full access to the original costumes of episodes IV, V, and VI, allowing them to be revealed in never-before-seen detail. In over 200 new costume photographs, sketches, and behind-the-scenes photos and notes, based on new interviews, fans will get a fresh perspective on the creation of the clothes and costume props that brought these much-loved characters to life. Star Wars Costumes: The Original Trilogy affords both new and longtime Star Wars fans an intimate look at the unforgettable costumes from this classic series.

Book Information

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Gosh, it really took a while for this book to come out considering the previous costume book Dressing a Galaxy which came out in 2005. It's a fantastic book just like the earlier one. It's a huge 226-page hardcover with lots of wonderful photos and in depth writeup. Star Wars Costumes focuses on the costumes created for Star Wars original trilogy Episodes IV, V and IV. It's really cool to look at the huge variety of costumes used in the movies. There are costumes for Chewbacca, R2-D2, C-3PO, Boba Fett, bounty hunters, Princess Leia's skimpy slave dancer outfit, Darth Vadar, Stormtroopers and many more. Across the movies, there are also updates to the costumes so you'll get to see Darth Vadar's original and the updated one after A New Hope. What I find interesting is to see that most costume designs have aged quite well while some not so well. The photographs are great. They are high resolution with close ups just in case you want to examine the seams. There are photographs almost on every page. Some sketches and concept designs are also included. The text is even more in depth compared to Dressing a Galaxy, talking about the making of those costumes. Forewords are written by costume designers John Mollo, Nilo Rodis-Jamero and Aggie Rodgers. It's a very insightful writeup by author Brian Alinger. Highly recommended to all Star Wars fans. By the way, there are two publishers for this book, namely Chronicle Books who is distributing for USA and Canada, and Titan Books for UK, Europe and other places. Prices of the book will vary slightly from the publishers and of course places where you buy it. (See more pictures of the book on my blog. Just visit my profile for the link.)

I was not disappointed upon opening my copy of Star Wars Costumes. Three great forewords by John Mollo, Aggie Rodgers, and Nilo Rodis-Jamero. Lots of informative text (much stuff I didn't know) about the costumes, and stellar pictures. Particularly love the gate folds. Vader's costume, for example, gets great coverage. And the photos were taken with an eye toward showing detail. Just perfect. I haven't read the entire book: I only got it today, but I knew at first glance this is top quality, destined to take its place among other great original Star Wars trilogy resource books like Rinzler's "Making Of" series and Star Wars Storyboards, just to name a few. This nice hardback book is long overdue, but we have it at last.

I have collected a number of books on uniforms of all kinds over the years. The difference in quality between a quality product and rubbish has become clear to me, and this book is the former. It is simply superb. The book itself is a high-quality affair, with glossy pages, fold-outs, and a good binding. The content is also great; virtually all of the noteworthy costumes from the original trilogy are here. The format shows them to their greatest advantage. No one can quibble about the choice of models here, since the costumes are placed over appropriate but unobtrusive manikins. The text is also good; there are extensive interviews of the costume designers behind these films. They offer nice insights into the process. At times the choice of subject starts to cross the line from costume to make-up, but I don't think that anyone will object if Chewbacca's outfit or R2D2's is included. Many people might expect this book to be an extension of an earlier publication on costumes from the prequels. It's not; it is far superior in every way - not least of which is that it is a much more

convenient size. If you collect books on uniforms, costumes, science fiction or Star Wars, this one should be on your shelf.

A fantastic book, perfect for any Star Wars fan, no matter if prop collector or not. You are immersed in the world of Star Wars screen used costumes, armors and suits, reading about their history, analyzing the minute details together with the author. A must have high quality book!

I just received this beautiful book and love it! The detail and pictures are fantastic! There previously had not been very much reference but now this will be a great read and reference for costumers and Star Wars fans alike! Very much worth the wait and the price I paid!

Excellent reference book for any fan of the costumes of the Original Trilogy. Beautiful photography, intriguing background stories by the creators. And finally, clear and large shots of the A, B, and Y wing pilot uniforms from Return of the Jedi. You will not be disappointed.

Amazing quality pictures and filled with fascinating facts gathered from the people who were there. Brandon has compiled this amazing collection and presented it for our casual reading. There are so many facts that the casual observer completely missed that you will not be disappointed.

Star Wars Costumes The Original Trilogy is a great book about Star Wars Costumes from the OT. So many great photos taken from the Lucasfilm Archives of the Costumes from the original star wars trilogy episodes 4-6 from A New Hope aka Star Wars , The Empire Strikes Back and Return of The Jedi, The Photography of all the costumes is great the Luke Skywalker Jedi Knight Costume is my favorite of the costumes from the OT and the photos of it are great. Keep in mind not all the costumes shown in the book are in good condition remember their close to 37 years old and have some signs of rust on them but all it all they look great. Brandon Alinger did a great job writing this book and earns my highest recommendation. If also your a fan of the Prequel Trilogy of Episodes 1-3 check out Insight Editions Dressing A Galaxy that is a perfect companion to this book. Overall I give Star Wars Costumes The Original Trilogy a 10 / 10 across the board a great book on the Costumes of Star Wars a great book for any Star Wars Books Collection. The Force is Strong With This One.

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