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Erdmann was given unprecedented access to every aspect of the production of Star Trek Deep Space Nine in order to compile this book which is considered, by some, the ultimate guide to Star Trek's grittiest and most complex series.

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Andrew says

The best of the 'Companion...' books to the various Star Trek incarnations by a country mile, Erdmann has produced the most comprehensive single volume book to deal with one specific Star Trek related series or subject. The synopses are fulsome however unlike corresponding entries in companions produced by other authors for the other series Erdmann can double or sometimes even triple the amount of background information for an episode. The photos are a good mix of official shots and some unofficial ones, whilst the amount of material emanating from the show's producers, writers and cast is of immense value. It seems highly appropriate that the franchise that I believe set the bar in terms of story, character and overall cohesion in the Star Trek universe produced the best companion book. A must for any Trekker.

Kay Hudson says

Another book I started last summer when DS9 began its run on Heroes & Icons. I had missed big chunks of the show during its original run, and hadn't seen it at all since it wrapped up. I had to track this out-of-print book down through Alibris, and it was well worth it. Like the Voyager Companion, it has episode synopses, cast lists, and lots of pictures. The only index covers episode titles. What makes this book so much better than the other Star Trek volumes is the extensive behind the scenes information, including the writing process on many of the episodes (often showing that the finished episode had very little in common with the original concept), how special effects were done, reactions of the actors to their characters' development, and so on. In my opinion, DS9 was the best written series in the franchise, and the Companion gives fascinating insight into how that was accomplished.

Joy says

This companion guide has all the episodes of *Star Trek Deep Space Nine* but also has other information from behind the scenes and why certain things happened in different episodes.

Isaackelley says

Basically, this book is text DVD extras for every episode of DS9. If you like craft nuts-and-bolts stuff, it is a wonderful experience to read each entry in this book after you watch each episode. Warning: the book is written under the assumption that you've already seen the whole show. Spoilers are woven throughout.

Natira says

Obwohl ich Star Trek mit vereinzelten Classic-Episoden für mich entdeckt habe (später habe ich natürlich alle gesehen, auch die animated Folgen), mit TNG zum Fan wurde und dann auch Voyager und Enterprise kennengelernt, hat Deep Space Nine einen besonderen Platz in meinem Herzen und es ist über die Jahre die Serie geworden, die von allen Serien am häufigsten über meinen Bildschirm flimmert (es ist 2017 und noch ist meine Hoffnung auf HD-Version dieser Serie nicht gestorben).

Der Companion enthält jeweils einen Staffelüberblick, Episodeninhalte incl. (thematisch wechselnde) ergänzende Informationen wie z.B. Anmerkungen der Produzenten, der Autoren, Komponisten, Art-Set-Abteilung, Schauspieler etc. Für mich gab es hier einiges zu lesen und zu entdecken, von Bedenken der Schauspieler über erste Drehbücher bis hin zu Produktionsbedingungen beim Außendreh. Es finden sich zudem Fotos u. Designskizzen (jeweils schwarz-weiß) und ein paar Sonderartikel z.B. darüber, wie eine Story entwickelt wird oder visuelle Effekte.

Ich wünschte, der Companion wäre nicht so unhandlich - Softcover und ca. DIN A4 mit über 720 Seiten - und die Fotos in Farbe gewesen; aber dafür will ich nichts bei der Bewertung abziehen. ;)

Brian says

Star Trek Deep Space Nine is my favorite Star Trek series. I grew up watching this show and got immersed in the great characters. Star Trek has always been like an old friend to me, one that I may have lost touch with but always has been in the back of my mind. I think I read this book years ago, but decided to read it again after a recent renewal in watching Star Trek, in particular old TNG episodes. I own a few seasons of this show on DVD. The book has an introduction to each season, then an episode guide, with lots and lots and lots of insight by cast, crew and directors. After reading most of it, it got to be a bit much, but this book is truly a great read for a Niner like myself.

Robert Morrow says

This was a series that did not get the attention it deserved. Exceptionally well-written and insightful, DS9 was the culmination of the original vision (and it's been all downhill since). The Companion gives great backstory to the development and writing of this excellent series.

J.W. Braun says

If I could give this book six stars, it would get it. Easily the best of all the Star Trek Companion books, if you've got the Deep Space Nine series on DVD, it's a must have. It's well written, in depth, and has every juicy tidbit you'd ever want to know about the series - and then some.

Devero says

Mentre anni fa ancora attendevo che le TV italiane trasmettessero l'intera serie, ebbi la fortuna di acquistare questo ottimo volume, e la sfortuna di spoilerarmi alcune situazioni. Oggi è quanto mai essenziale per un

vero appassionato di Star Trek.

Melinda says

I previously read most of the Next Generation Companion, and the Star Trek Chronology, and while those both have cool information, the Deep Space Nine Companion has much more detail and is in an excellent style to read, very engaging. I'm learning a lot about the episode plots, but also a lot about how a TV series can work. Just what I need now.

V.A. Hezaran says

What a fantastic book for a fan of the show. Synopses and behind the scenes info for each episode, including fascinating looks at the creative process make it a must not only if you're a fan but also if you're interested in the inner workings of a tv show.

John Yelverton says

A wonderful companion to the Deep Space Nine series.

Victoria says

I love this book!!! As much fun as rewatching the series is, watching each episode and then reading the "behind the scenes" pages on it is that much more fun. Absolute brilliance.

Daniel Kukwa says

The most honest account, the most detailed account, the most hilarious & fascinating account...this is the ULTIMATE behind-the-scene episode guide & story of the most amazing of the modern Star Trek series. Rather appropriate, given that DS9 was the series with the depth to deserve such a detailed examination.

Sammy says

This is a very interesting work, commissioned and researched over the series' entire 7-year-period. 'Deep Space Nine' is a probing work of television that deserves a good guide. This is far from perfect - some entries lack the depth or critical analysis that one would like - but it also offers a great deal. Overall, Erdmann covers every aspect of production from casting and writing to props and costume creation. On top of this, the show's writers are somewhat critical of their own work when need be. One for any collector.

