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Following the advice of his father, young Charlie Stuart travels to a planet 200 light years from Earth and there finds himself involved in a political struggle.

Star Prince Charlie Details

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From Reader Review Star Prince Charlie for online ebook

Karen says

I enjoyed this immensely. Just a fun read.

Cindy says

Fun read - if you haven't read the Hoka books - make an effort to find them. This one was intended for the young adult market and seems to lack some of the tongue-in-cheekiness of the others. Still fun, though.

Order is not hugely important.

Shared universe - Poul Anderson with Gordon R Dickson)

Earthman's Burden (1957)

Star Prince Charlie (1975)

Hoka! (1983)

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Hokas Pokas (2000)

The Sound and the Furry: The Complete Hoka Stories

James Rickett says

Fun, and a good mix of Dickson's Hoka series with Anderson's future history, but not the best from either of them.

Mary JL says

Young Charlie Stuart is visiting the primitive planet Talyina. With him is his alien tutor, a Hoka named Bertram. When the two get mixed up in a local political struggle, the Talyineans decide Charlie is the fabled "Prince of the Prophecy".

Bertram, with a wild imagination and a liking for play-acting--a characteristic of all Hoka--soon renames himself Hector MacGregor;. He has bagpipes made, a tartan kilt and starts referring to Charlie as "Bonnie Prince Charlie"--on a planet 200 light years from Earth!

And we are off for a short (189 pages) but fun romp by two well known sf writers. Both Poul Anderson and Gordon Dickson have written straight military sf; but this is more of a gentle spoof--thought witty, not slapstick humor--with a few good ideas behind the humor.

Here is a short clip from the local minstrel's take on things :The Prophecy's Prince will stab them on blade-point/Happily goes he to hack them to hash....."

Dickson and Anderson no doubt had fun writing that. You will probably have fun reading it. A quick light, easy read by two well known sf pros. Just the ticket to pass an afternoon when you are not in the mood for more somber SF.

Peter says

Good fun SF book by two of the best SF authors

Skjam! says

I read this as part of the "Hokas Pokas" anthology--see my review here:
<http://www.skjam.com/2016/04/07/book-...>
