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# Inside HBO's Game Of Thrones: Seasons 1 & 2





### Synopsis

HBO's Game of Thrones reigns as cable's highest-rated series. This official companion book gives fans new ways to enter this fictional world and discover more about the beloved (and reviled) characters and the electrifying plotlines. Hundreds of set photos, production and costume designs, storyboards, and insider stories reveal how the show's creators translated George R. R. Martin's best-selling fantasy series into the world of Westeros. Featuring interviews with key actors and crew members that capture the best scripted and unscripted moments from the first two seasons, as well as a preface by George R. R. Martin, this special volume, bound in a lavishly debossed padded cover, offers exclusive access to this unprecedented television series.

### **Book Information**

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"For anyone yet to read Martin's novels, the book is a godsend. For all its epic brilliance, Game Of Thrones' multiple complex story threads can leave you befuddled, but thanks to profiles of the major characters, family trees and more, you soon know how to tell a Greyjoy from a Tyrell. The book's also a solid 'Making Of'. Author Bryan Cogman (a story editor on the series) has interviewed the show's key creative forces, and between them they reveal the attention to detail that's gone into realising the Seven Kingdoms. Particular focus is given to pivotal scenes like the storming of King's Landing, and it's here - when things get properly geeky - that the book's at its best." -SFX"For the

most part, people who watch and adore HBO's adaptation of author George R.R. Martin's Game of Thrones saga (released in book form via the A Song of Fire and Ice series) do so largely, though still pleasantly, in the dark. Give any random viewer a pop quiz with questions about which character belongs to which family, and how to spell characters' names, and the grades would be sub-par at best. Thankfully, the dense story lines are much easier to sift through and grasp thanks to Inside HBO's Game of Thrones. Combining in-depth cast and crew interviews with Martin's own insight, it's 192 pages of Westeros overload, perfect for a few months of catching up and/or refreshing before the show returns for its third season" Complex.com

Excellent -- very informative keeping track of who's who, where's where, what's what, in the HBO TV series. Frankly, it's a must-have. In April, I started watching the TV show from the beginning -- am about to watch Episode 110. In a matter of two weeks -- with the help of this book -- I'm up to speed, getting ready to start Year 2. This book is not, by any means, the only book I'm reading regarding Game of Thrones. This book appears to be the only "picture" book devoted to the HBO show. I think it is the same book that is part of the insanely-expensiveà Â Inside HBO's Game of Thrones: The Collector's Edition.LATERI have an issue with the cover: it is made of vinyl-over-padding/batting. I hate it. The cover shows every little ding. If you actually drop the book, expect a MAJOR crumple, or MAJOR gash, or both -- which you cannot repair. If you want to keep this book in pristine condition, either don't use it at all, or put a high-school book-cover over it (which still won't prevent damage in dropping the book). Or get the book USED with dings already there. Or duct-tape the cover. The publisher made a terrible choice for cover.LATER STILLTwo of my favorites are:Game of Thrones Season One EssaysGame of Thrones Season Two Essays Illustrated Editionby Pearson Moore, in paper or Kindle.

This beautiful book is a useful and handy visual guide to the Game Of Thrones. The emphasis in this book is on the visual with enough text and charts to refresh the readers memory of just who this particular character is related too. There is an extensive amount of background information mostly consisting of quotes from cast and the HBO production crew. The information is, as you would expect by the publication date, current with Season 1 information. Recently I was in a brick and mortar chain bookstore and they had this book on display selling at \$40. How sad, I lovevisiting bookstores but how can they compete with where I purchased this book for \$21 shipped free. This handsome, large book - 9 by 11 inches - is a visual treat, eye candy, if you will. Five stars for the beauty of the book itself and the photos.

This is a well written and beautifully illustrated book by one of the writers for the tv series. It gives alot of background information about family crests, their ancestors history and the family trees. I LOVE this book, it is easy reading. I liked how many of those behind the scenes are giving their POV (point of view) of the costuming, the sets, and important location details. Some of the characters were asked to project their side of the story with just a look, or a toss of their sword or die memorably. Even G.R.R. Martin gives some trivia about details he debated on whether to include or leave out. The pages are dark and richly detailed. I would buy this book again in a heartbeat. For the serious addict of G-O-T, and those who are reading the books, I highly recommend this as an important addition to their library.

With this book I was hoping for a detailed explanation of the making of Game of Thrones. What I got was an extremely well designed and laid out piece of publicity largely. There are paragraphs about how the series was made but only enough to wet my appetite for information. However the actual book itself is a very nice smallish coffee table type tome and I am still glad I got it. The illustration, text and photos make it easy to read and a pleasure to look at. Once thing, although it does mention storylines from season 2 I'd say the photos and text are mostly about season 1. Maybe at some point it will either be updated or there will be a companion book covering the later seasons in the future.

This book was well worth the price. It gives a detailed, "behind the scenes" view of the show, great photos (many full page and double-spread), articles and interviews of GRRM, the producers, and actors. Includes overviews of the major characters, house histories, genealogies. If you are a fan of the show, this book is a great supplement to your collection of GoT material. The only downside is the book only covers the first 2 seasons, so is a bit out-of-date when discussing some of the plotlines and events that took place in season 3. Overall, excellent. The book cover is made of a (faux?) leather material, giving it a kind of "library" feel.

Really enjoyed going through this book. I loved the interviews, production photos, and narration to the show. The book itself is very nice. It has kind of a "padded" cover which feels high quality. I will say that the corners bend kind of easily, but can't really knock the book for that minor critique. I will say that I would have liked a little more about the production of the show. A lot of the book was background, etc. on the characters and I was hoping to see just a bit more about the making of the

show (which is why I took away 1 star). Overall this is a great addition to the series and would also make a wonderful gift!

Amazing. I read the entire book in one evening, and it's a lengthy books filled with interesting information. I simply couldn't put it down. It has family trees on each of the primary- and most of the secondary- families. If you haven't read the original Game of Thrones books, this is a great guide to help fill in all those blanks. Amazing pictures and all kinds of interesting tid-bits and comments from the actors and directors.

This is one of the most beautiful books I've ever purchased. The cover is simply gorgeous, the photos inside are colorful and eye-popping, and it's got a lot of cool things like lineage charts for each of the main familes, character profiles, and much more. I'm a big fan of behind-the-scenes books for my favorite shows and movies, and this is one of my favorites, both in appearance and content. Highly recommended.

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