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The Legend Of Zelda: Art & Artifacts Limited Edition



Synopsis

Dark Horse and Nintendo are proud to bring you *The Legend of Zelda: Art & Artifacts Limited Edition*! As with the standard edition of *The Legend of Zelda: Art & Artifacts*, this amazing book contains artwork from the entire history of the video game franchise, including the upcoming *The Legend of Zelda: Breath of the Wild*, this is the sequel hardcover to Dark Horse's 2013 bestseller, *The Legend of Zelda: Hyrule Historia*. It includes rare promotional pieces, game box art, instruction booklet illustrations, official character illustrations, sprite art, interviews with the artists, and much, much more! This exclusive edition of only 10,000 copies features an original cover with a raised 3D embossed Master Sword. The book fits into an acetate slip case that features a golden sheath for the Master Sword and emulates the sword being removed from the sheath when the book is removed from the top of the slipcase. The sword itself is a 3D embossed sculpt with a metallic foil finish and is printed at the size of an actual sword hilt to give the reader the satisfaction of unsheathing the realistic-looking sword from the acetate sleeve sheath that encases the book. The cover's background features the Lost Woods in a deep, custom-mixed purple ink with a soft touch lamination and spot-gloss UV which is framed with metallic foil. The pages are gold gilded to round out the premium enhancements. *The Legend of Zelda: Art & Artifacts* is printed on high-quality paper in an oversized format so you can immerse yourself in the fine details of each page. The book includes rare promotional pieces, game box art, instruction booklet illustrations, official character illustrations, sprite art, interviews with the artists, and much, much more! *The Legend of Zelda: Art and Artifacts* collects many of your favorite masterpieces from the storied franchise, as well as rare and never before seen content, presented in one handsome hardcover. Limited Edition of 10,000 copies Two elements exclusive to this edition: Master Sword cover and Acetate Slipcase Experience the thrill of finding and unsheathing the Master Sword with *The Legend of Zelda: Art & Artifacts Limited Edition*!

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Customer Reviews

First of all, if you're a die hard Zelda fan, nothing in this book is new as this book is essentially a collection of promotional and concept art for the series. If you been following Zelda from the beginning: seen all the game manual, read through all the Nintendo Power, Game Informer Magazine or have exposed yourself to all the advertisement through the years then nothing will pop-up and surprise you. This book has maybe 25-33% more art than the Hyrule Historia. I say art, because aside from the small interview section in back there's barely any text describing the art aside from the character's name or what game it came from. There is an interview in back of the book, but it mainly discusses the art of Zelda rather than the lore. You will not get insight or commentary in terms of hidden story lines or about the Zelda timeline in this book. You do get art from the entire series from the original Legend of Zelda to Zelda Twilight Princess HD or Zelda Tri Force Heroes. There are 3,4 pages dedicated to Zelda Breath of the Wild, but again just promotional art you have seen before. Like the Hyrule Historia, the ink and paper quality is really good. Great coffee table book for when you have guests over or want to browse through it if a loading screen ever pops up. Overall great compilation of promotional Zelda art through the ages in one location

This book is much larger than I had imagined, almost 2 inches thick, and from cover to cover is nothing but beautiful artwork. What surprised me the most is the size of the images. I'm not looking at tiny thumbnails crammed onto a page, many of the images are full page prints and the character concepts are scaled up generously. What I also loved, was how much artwork was included from the early games. Seeing pictures again, that I had not seen since I was a child staring at a game manual, took me right back to the first time I popped in the cartridge.

I was lucky enough to score this art book. My rating is a bit bias because I am a huge Zelda

fan. Content is identical to the non limited edition version. While the content is cool, but it's not mind blowing. By far the coolest feature is the master sword slip sheath. Nice touch, but hard to justify the premium over the regular version. Must have for Zelda die hards. Not so much for anyone else.

This book of Art was very beautiful. I liked all the different games that had Art represented in this book. The amount of beautiful colored pages was worth the money spent for this book. I was a little disappointed in the way the book was set up and felt it could have been organized better.

The book is sturdy but the depth of the content is lacking. I still enjoyed looking through the book and the reading at the end will be interesting to some people, but I would have enjoyed more info from artists (the lack of info is bc outside artists were hired in the past, but there could surely be a better presentation).

The art in this book is fantastic! Even though most of it may be just simple character pictures you can find on the internet, the clear and organized versions of these pictures are beautiful to see as is. Over THREE DECADES worth of Zelda art! No matter where you started with the series, seeing some of the art is sure to bring a feel of nostalgia to your heart! My only complaint is that I wish the book had more notes and sketches for each game. Some of the pages just felt a little bland and left me wanting so much more to look at. I was hoping to see some early concept art for characters for each game, but it appears to only have finished concept art. Otherwise, I was very pleased with this book.

If you're wondering how big this book is, it's large and in charge. 400 massive pages of art and an interview in the back. The quality of the book is excellent as well, which is also why I'm so surprised it is so cheap. Worth every penny. If you like Zelda; get it. If you know someone you're close with who likes Zelda; get it as a gift. A holy tome of artwork spanning the history of the series is something every fan should see!

Absolutely beautiful book. My girlfriend has actually asked if we can keep it on display in the living room because of how good looking it is (she gets frequently annoyed with my The Legend Of Zelda obsessions). Fantastic illustrations and works from the series are inspiring and great for collectors and fans alike. Wonderful quality book and printing. You won't regret this book.

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