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The History Of Sonic The Hedgehog (Pix 'n Love Editions)



Synopsis

Celebrating over 20 years as SEGA's official mascot, The History of Sonic the Hedgehog is the ultimate guide to SEGA's spiky blue speedster! This hefty 300-page volume covers in detail two decades of 2D and 3D Sonic games, plus spinoffs and crossovers. You'll also find character profiles, promotional artwork, rare concept art, and a detailed look at the origins of the "Blue Blur".

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Customer Reviews

I'll refer you to the hardcover listing if you want a review of the content: The History of Sonic the Hedgehog. The softcover contains exactly the same pages and content as the hardcover edition except it's about ten bucks cheaper at the time of this review. Besides the cheaper price, there is one pro and one con that you should know about. The pro is that the softcover has a VERY attractive shiny foil cover on the front and back that the hardcover doesn't have. Same cover, but just shiny! The con is that the softcover is, understandably, NOTICEABLY smaller than the hardcover edition. I measured it as 8.6 x 8.5 x 1, which is definitely smaller than the hardcover edition, especially length-wise. Visually, this book has a square profile as opposed to the more landscape orientation of the hardcover. My advice? If you want a display item for a coffee table or a game room, pay the extra ten rings...I mean dollars and get the hardcover. I chose the softcover because I plan on reading this baby comfortably in bed and on the couch, which is always easier with a softcover book.

I grew up in the 90s as a huge Sonic (specifically Knuckles but ehh) fan, and I bought this on a whim after seeing it sold out for months. If you remotely like Sonic the Hedgehog, video games, or character design this book is an amazing buy. This book gives an incredible degree of background history on the Sonic franchise pre- Sega messing up with Sonic Boom. Great book.

Okay, let's get something out of the way: this book is easily worth the cash. As somebody with more than a passing interest in all things video games, this has been on my radar for quite a long time now. Luckily, it was worth the wait, as it fires on pretty much all cylinders. The most striking thing you'll notice as you go through the book is just how beautiful it is. Every single page is accompanied by absolutely gorgeous concept art, screenshots, sketches, sprites, and anything else you can think of. Best of all, the art is laid out very attractively, creating an excellent balance of text and visual flair. Speaking of text, this book is more than just a pretty face: it is PACKED with loads of information about Sega, Sonic, and the circumstances that led to his creation (bonus points for including a couple of short but sweet interviews with some of his creators.) In addition to profiling his history and pretty much all of the major characters of the series, there's a section that covers pretty much every single game Sonic has ever been a part of, even the ones you probably haven't heard about before (Waku Waku Sonic Patrol Car, anyone?) At the time of writing, this is only like \$26 dollars on . It's a steal, and I can't recommend it enough. Whether you're interested in Sonic's history or just want a really beautiful book, you can't go wrong here.

This is a beautifully created book. I just read Console Wars by Blake J. Harris and they mentioned that the original sonic had fangs. I didn't see that in this book but it included photos of some of the original sketches.

While this was a very nicely produced book, it was only about the production of the game. Then the game through the years. There is no section about the history of the world really. My son loves Sonic and we both thought this was going to be, or at least contain, some history of the characters backstories and Mobius's (the world Sonic is on) history. While it gave a very detailed view of the game it did not treat that game material as its own history. With the History of Hyrule out for Zelda we thought this would have similar tones for Sonic and it didn't. If you are a game designer and you loved Sonic and want to know how the games were conceived and then everything that happened from there, this is the book for you. If you love playing as Sonic and wanted more of his story this is

not it.

It was a Christmas gift for my husband and he was really happy when he found out what was in the box. Definitely a good buy!

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