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Batman: The Golden Age Vol. 1 (Detective Comics (1937-2011))



Synopsis

American popular culture has produced few heroic figures as famous and enduring as that of the Batman. The dark, mysterious hero who debuted in 1939's DETECTIVE COMICS #27 as the lone "Bat-man" quickly grew into the legend of the Caped Crusader. After his landmark debut and origin story the Dark Knight was given many seminal elements including his partner in crime-fighting Robin, the Boy Wonder, and such adversaries as the Joker, Hugo Strange and Catwoman. BATMAN: THE GOLDEN AGE VOLUME ONE collects all of the Dark Knight Detective's first-ever adventures from DETECTIVE COMICS #27-45, BATMAN #1-3 and NEW YORK WORLD'S FAIR COMICS #2.

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Customer Reviews

I had heard about the early stories of Batman in Detective Comics being violent and not so kid-friendly, and for the era it took place it was surprising how much DC supported Bob Kane's creative direction. Of course, the tone of being dark and mysterious lightened up when sidekicks were born with Robin. Never was a fan of sidekicks. But I understand why they were added to the

lone hero for the younger kid aspect. It was great to see the introduction of classic villains like The Joker, The Cat (later Cat-Woman and finally Cat Woman) and Clay Face which out of all Batman's arch-enemies The Joker had the best recurring appearances which was understandable. The craziness was definitely seeded to develop into what he is today and has been for years now. Bob Kane's art before Robin entered was edgy, sometimes a bit distorted, playful in a devilish way and distinguished in detail. The versions of the Bat Plane were cheesy and generic looking, as well as realizing it was the first novelty brand of his character before the Batmobile. He actually drove in one of those common 40-Ford cars! Very funny when ya think about it because he's a rich guy and creates a Bat Plane but his ride bares no resemblance to his character of crime fighting. The stories with Robin are okay, but you can tell Batman's personality shifts from more "Dirty Harry" of the law to "Superfriends." Still I loved it all!

Fantastic book. I'm very happy they released this as the Batman Chronicles are a bit pricey for what you get. The quality is so much better than those as well. And this one contains what is in both 1 & 2 of the Batman Chronicles, so you don't have to buy as many with these volumes. Also note the chronicles show batman with blue gloves in his first appearance, this restored him to those great purple ones.

Unless you plan on purchasing the Omnibus series, this the best way to read the first several appearances of Batman and his interesting side characters (Gordon, Robin, Joker, Catwoman, and Hugo Strange). I had no intention of going much further into the golden age tales, so this was absolutely perfect for me. Makes me want to see the Mad Monk in a movie at some point.

It's Golden Age Batman in full color on good paper at a good price. Who could ask for more?

A wonderful collection of the Batman comics from his inception!! Most people could never afford to buy the original books, but here you get reprints of Detective #27-45, Batman #1-3 & New York World's Fair comic #2!! If you were to try to purchase these, you'd be out thousands of dollars!! This is well worth the price!!

As a comic book fan, Batman as a favorite, it's nice to be able to read the comics just like they were in the beginning. Very cool.

Great go with this smaller set. the Omnibus is to big and not easy to handle when reading (too Many Page)

Its great to read the beginning of Batman. Great for any Batman fan

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