REFERENCE: These are non-fiction books that are a good resource as to what’s going on in Star Wars books and movies. If you’ve ever wondered about a character, an alien or a starship (or pretty much anything else) you’ve seen or read about in Star Wars, then check out these books.

General Works
- *A Guide to the Star Wars Universe* by Bill Slavicsek (791.437 StaYs)
- *The Illustrated Star Wars Universe* by Kevin J. Anderson (791.437 gStaYa)
- *Star Wars Encyclopedia* by Stephen J. Sansweet (791.437 qStaYs)
- *Star Wars Technical Journal* by Shane Johnson (791.437 qStaYj)
- *Star Wars: the Essential Chronology* by Kevin J. Anderson (791.437 qStaYa)
- *Star Wars: the Essential Guide to Planets and Moons* by Daniel Wallace (791.437 qStaYw)
- *Star Wars: the Essential Guide to Weapons and Technology* by Bill Smith (791.437 qSmi)
- *Star Wars: the Ultimate Visual Guide* by Ryder Windham (791.437 qStaYw)
- *Star Wars: the Visual Dictionary* by David West Reynolds (791.437 qStaYr)
- *The Unauthorized Star Wars Compendium* by Ted Edwards (791.437 StaYe)
- *Wildlife of Star Wars* by Terryl Whitlatch (791.437 qStaYw)

Episode I: The Phantom Menace
- *Inside the Worlds of Star Wars, Episode I* by Kristin Lund (791.437 StaYl)
- *Star Wars: Episode I: Incredible Cross Sections* by David West Reynolds (791.437 StaYs)
- *Star Wars, Episode I: The Phantom Menace: Illustrated Screenplay* by George Lucas (791.437 StaYl)
- *Star Wars: Episode I: the Visual Dictionary* by David West Reynolds (791.437 qStaYr)
- *Star Wars: the Making of Episode I, the Phantom Menace* by Laurent Bouzereau (791.437 qStaYb)

Episode II: Attack of the Clones
- *Inside the Worlds of Star Wars, Attack of the Clones* by Simon Beecroft (791.437 StaYb)
- *Star Wars, Attack of the Clones: Incredible Cross-Sections* by Curtis Saxon (791.437 qStaYs)
- *Star Wars, Attack of the Clones: the Visual Dictionary* by David West Reynolds (791.437 qStaYr)

Episode III: Revenge of the Sith
- *The Art of Star Wars, Episode III: Revenge of the Sith* by J.W. Rinzler (791.437 qStaYr)

The Original Trilogy
- *Inside the Worlds of the Star Wars Trilogy* by James Luceno (791.437 StaYl)
- *The Making of Return of the Jedi* by John Phillip Peecher (791.437 RetYp)
- *The Making of Star Wars, Revenge of the Sith* by J.W. Rinzler (791.437 qStaYr)
- *Star Wars: Incredible Cross-Sections* by David West Reynolds (791.437 qStaYr)

BEGINNING READS: These books are just a step or two removed from the movies. They feature people, places and/or events not far removed from the movies. Generally, anyone who has seen the movies should have little to no trouble following the events in these books.

**Before Episode I: The Phantom Menace**

*Jedi Apprentice Series* by Jude Watson (except Book 1, written by Dave Wolverton)

2. *The Dark Rival* 8. *The Day of Reckoning*  
5. *Defenders of the Dead* 11. *The Deadly Hunter*  

-Darth Maul: Saboteur by James Luceno  
-Cloak of Deception by James Luceno  
-Darth Maul: Shadow Hunter by Michael Reaves
-Star Wars Episode I: The Phantom Menace by Terry Brooks

Between Episode I: The Phantom Menace and Episode II: Attack of the Clones

-Rogue Planet by Greg Bear
-Jedi Quest; Path to Truth by Jude Watson

Jedi Quest Series by Jude Watson
1. The Way of the Apprentice  5. The School of Fear  8. The Changing of the Guard
3. The Dangerous Games  7. The Moment of Truth  10. The Final Showdown
4. The Master of Disguise

-The Approaching Storm by Alan Dean Foster

-Star Wars Episode II: Attack of the Clones by R.A. Salvatore

Between Episode II: Attack of the Clones and Episode III: Revenge of the Sith [The Clone Wars]

Boba Fett series (Books 1&2 by Terry Bisson, Books 3-6 by Elizabeth Hand)

-Shatterpoint by Matthew Stover
-The Cestus Deception by Steven Barnes
-The Hive by Steven Barnes
-Jedi Trial by David Sherman and Dan Cragg
-Yoda: Dark Rendezvous by Sean Stewart
-Labyrinth of Evil by James Luceno

-Star Wars Episode III: Revenge of the Sith by Matthew Stover

Between Episode III: Revenge of the Sith and Episode IV: A New Hope

-Dark Lord: The Rise of Darth Vader by James Luceno

Last of the Jedi series by Jude Watson
1. The Desperate Mission  5. A Tangled Web
2. Dark Warning  6. Return of the Dark Side
3. Underground  7. Secret Weapon
4. Death on Naboo

-Star Wars Episode IV: A New Hope by George Lucas

Between Episode IV: A New Hope and Episode V: The Empire Strikes Back

-Splinter of the Mind’s Eye by Alan Dean Foster

-Star Wars Episode V: The Empire Strikes Back by Donald F. Glut

Between Episode V: The Empire Strikes Back and Episode VI: Return of the Jedi

-Allegiance by Timothy Zahn
-Shadow of the Empire by Steve Perry
-Star Wars Episode VI: Return of the Jedi by James Kahn

After Episode VI: Return of the Jedi

-Truce at Bakura by Kathy Tyers
-Tatooine Ghost by Troy Denning

INTERMEDIATE READS: These books feature some characters, places and/or events that take place outside the Star Wars movies. There are still people, places and/or events that a casual fan will recognize. Odds are even without fully understanding what’s going on, casual fans will still enjoy these books. However, those with a basic knowledge of people, places and/or events in the Expanded Universe will get more of these books than the casual fan.
Before Star Wars Episode I: The Phantom Menace

-Darth Bane: Path of Destruction by Drew Karpyshyn
-Legacy of the Jedi by Jude Watson
-Secrets of the Jedi by Jude Watson

Between Episode I: The Phantom Menace and Episode II: Attack of the Clones

-Outbound Flight by Timothy Zahn

Between Episode II: Attack of the Clones and Episode III: Revenge of the Sith [The Clone Wars]

-Republic Commando: Hard Contact by Karen Traviss
-Republic Commando: Triple Zero by Karen Traviss
-Medstar Book I: Battle Surgeons by Steve Perry and Michael Reaves
-Medstar Book II: Jedi Healer by Steve Perry and Michael Reaves

Between Episode III: Revenge of the Sith and Episode IV: A New Hope

The Han Solo Trilogy by A.C. Crispin
1. The Paradise Snare
2. The Hutt Gambit
3. Rebel Dawn

The Adventures of Lando Calrissian series by L. Neil Smith
1. Lando Calrissian and the Mindharp of Sharu
2. Lando Calrissian and the Flamewind of Oseon
3. Lando Calrissian and the Starcave of ThonBaka

The Han Solo Adventures series by Brian Daley
1. Han Solo at Star’s End
2. Han Solo’s Revenge
3. Han Solo and the Lost Legacy

Between Episode IV: A New Hope and Episode V: The Empire Strikes Back

-Star Wars Galaxies: Ruins of Dantooine by Voronica Whitney-Robinson
-Tales from Mos Eisley Cantina, edited by Kevin J. Anderson
-Tales from the Empire, edited by Peter Schweighofer

Between Episode V: The Empire Strikes Back and Episode VI: Return of the Jedi

-Tales of the Bounty Hunters, edited by Kevin J. Anderson

The Bounty Hunter Wars series by K.W. Jeter
1. The Mandalorian Armor
2. Slave Ship
3. Hard Merchandise

After Episode VI: Return of the Jedi

-Tales from Jabba’s Palace, edited by Kevin J. Anderson

X-Wing series (Books 1-4 & 8 by Michael Stackpole, Books 5-7 & 9 by Aaron Allston)
1. Rogue Squadron
2. Wedge’s Gambit
3. The Krytos Trap
4. The Bacta War
5. Wraith Squadron
6. Iron Fish
7. Solo Command
8. Isard’s Revenge
9. Starfighters of Adumar

-A Forest Apart by Troy Denning
-The Courtship of Princess Leia by Dave Wolverton
The Thrawn Trilogy by Timothy Zahn
1. Heir to the Empire
2. Dark Force Rising
3. The Last Command

The Jedi Academy Trilogy by Kevin J. Anderson
1. Jedi Search
2. Dark Apprentice
3. Champions of the Force
  - Children of the Jedi by Barbara Hambly
  - Darksaber by Kevin J. Anderson
  - Planet of Twilight by Barbara Hambly
  - The Crystal Star by Vonda N. McIntyre
  - Tales from the New Republic, edited by Peter Schweighofer

The Black Fleet Crisis Trilogy by Michael Kube-McDowell
1. Before the Storm
2. Shield of Lies
3. Tyrant’s Test
  - The New Rebellion by Kristine Kathryn Rusch

The Corellian Trilogy by Roger MacBride Allen
1. Ambush at Corellia
2. Assault at Selonia
3. Showdown at Centerpoint

The Hand of Thrawn Duology by Timothy Zahn
1. Spector of the Past
2. Vision of the Future
  - Survivor’s Quest by Timothy Zahn

Junior Jedi Knight Series (Books 1-3 by Nancy Richardson, Books 4-6 by Rebecca Moesta)
1. The Golden Globe
2. Lyric’s World
3. Promises
4. Anakin’s Quest
5. Vader’s Fortress
6. Kenobi’s Blade

Young Jedi Knight Series by Kevin J. Anderson and Rebecca Moesta
1. Heirs of the Force
2. Shadow Academy
3. The Lost Ones
4. Lightsabers
5. Darkest Night
6. Jedi Under Siege
7. Shards of Alderaan
8. Diversity Alliance
9. Delusions of Grandeur
10. Jedi Bounty
11. The Emperor’s Plague
12. Return to Ord Mantell
13. Trouble on Cloud City
14. Crisis at Crystal Reef

ADVANCED READS: These books feature people, places and/or events drawn heavily from the Expanded Universe.
There are some people, places and/or events from the movies featured in these books. However, those with a good knowledge of the Expanded Universe will get the most out of these books. Casual fans may still enjoy these books, but may be detracted by not fully understanding what’s happening.

After Episode VI: Return of the Jedi

-I, Jedi by Micheal Stackpole
-Fool’s Bargain by Timothy Zahn

THE NEW JEDI ORDER SERIES
-Vector Prime by R.A. Salvatore

Dark Tide Series by Michael Stackpole
1. Onslaught
2. Ruin

Agents of Chaos Series by James Luceno
1. Hero’s Trial
2. Jedi Eclipse
  - Balance Point by Kathy Tyers
  - Recovery by Troy Denning

Edge of Victory Series by J. Gregory Keyes
1. Conquest
2. Rebirth
- *Star by Star* by Troy Denning
- *Dark Journey* by Elaine Cunningham

**Enemy Lines Series** by Aaron Allston
1. Rebel Dream
2. Rebel Stand
- *Traitor* by Matthew Stover
- *Destiny’s Way* by Walter Jon Williams
- *Ylesia* by Walter Jon Williams

**Force Heretic Series** by Sean Williams and Shane Dix
1. Remnant
2. Refugee
3. Reunion
- *The Final Prophecy* by J. Gregory Keyes
- *The Unifying Force* by James Luceno

**After the New Jedi Order series**

**The Dark Nest Trilogy** by James Luceno
1. *The Joiner King*
2. *The Unseen Queen*
3. *The Swarm War*

**Legacy of the Force**
5. *Sacrifice* by Karen Traviss

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