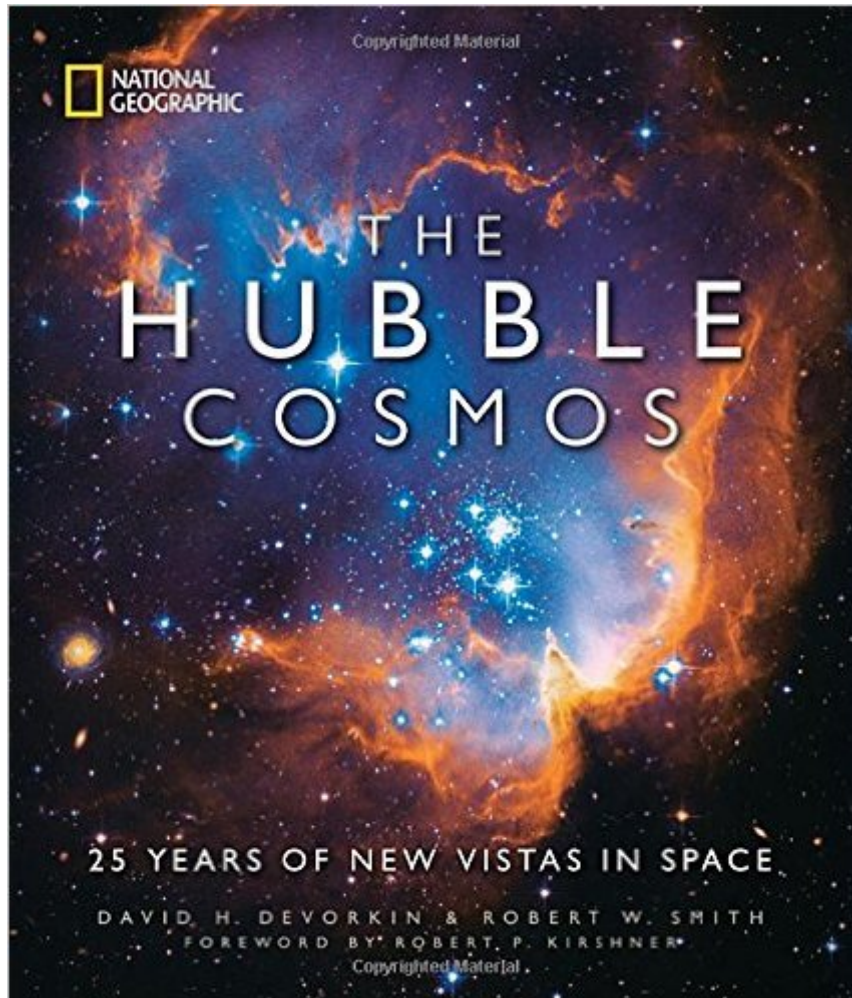




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What I don't appreciate in a book this size is a dozen artist impressions when there are millions of real Hubble images. Lots of history, news coverage and biography, and only grade school science. Its like a very large National Geographic magazine special, which is exactly what it is, I guess.

Fantastic book with great pictures and very informative text on the history of Hubble and its role in science. I've given 4 stars because I personally wish it had more of Hubble pictures. That aside, the pictures it does have are beautiful and the information it gives about Hubble makes it well worth it.

There is so much about this book to recommend. There are marvelous photographs that one will want to look at again and again. Regions of star formation, gaseous clouds where stars are formed. There are photographs of spiral galaxies and other types of galaxies. The Hubble telescope can see 90 percent of the way outward and backward in time to the big bang itself. Photographs of exploding supernova fragments, The book describes Cepheid variable stars used to calibrated distances. Other star types are described and shown - red and blue supergiant stars and regions where astronomers are fairly certain there are white dwarf stars and in another region a neutron star can be found (page 184 , remnant of supernova explosion in Large Magellanic cloud) . All the photographs are catalogued with what they are, where they are located and the distance from Earth. One can learn a lot from reading this book. There is also the history of the telescope, of how it has been serviced and photographs of the space telescope in orbit and being serviced by various astronauts including astronaut John Grunsfeld. The story of how things went wrong and the tenacity to get things right adds a more human touch to the story. The book describes how thanks to the Hubble space telescope our view of the universe we live in has been enriched enormously.

I gave this to my nephew for Christmas. He's at an age where he's too cool to think anything is cool,

so it's hard to tell what he thought of it. I thought it was great; lots of pictures, well written. I only wish it had more (or better) wide-view shots of the deep field. I was hoping for something that would really give you an idea of how small our galaxy is out there with everything else (we had a Hubble deep field poster in one of my college astronomy classes that did just that, and it was awesome).

This is the best book that I have read, well in the last 13.7 billion years. This should be a mandatory textbook for all high schools. Think of the ignorance that we could stamp out if that were the case.

Fabulous pictures and interesting informative text. This book made wonderful gifts to many friends until started raising the price, apparently due to my purchases.

An absolutely beautiful book of the pictures taken by the Hubble telescope. One of the best books I've purchased in years. Really enjoyed it.

Unbelievable pictures. I haven't finished reading, but it seems intriguing and accurate so far.

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