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[Tolkien Boxed Set](#) Dec 01 2019 A must-have collection covering the lands and inhabitants of Middle-earth. The fantasy world of J. R. R. Tolkien's Middle-earth contains a rich assortment of people, cities, powers, and creatures—as well as a deep, intertwined history that spans thousands of years. In these specially designed volumes, best-selling author and Tolkien scholar David Day presents four decades of research and writing on the lands and inhabitants of Middle-earth. A must-have guide to the Tolkien world, this collection provides an A-to-Z dictionary of the vernacular, an atlas describing the various terra firma, histories of battles, dark powers, heroes, and the Hobbits that started it all. More than 200 black-and-white and full-color illustrations make the pages a joy to behold as you learn all you'll need to know about Tolkien's fantasy realm. This work is unofficial and is not authorized by the Tolkien Estate or HarperCollins Publishers.

[Tolkien's Sacramental Vision](#) Jul 28 2019 One of Tolkien's great appeals to readers is that he offers a world replete with meaning at every level. To read and reread Tolkien is to share his sense of wonder and holiness, to be invited into the presence of a "beauty beyond the circles of the world." It is to fall in love with a universe that has a beginning and an end, where good and bad are not subjective choices, but objective realities; a created order full of grace, though damaged by sin, in which friendship is the seedbed of the virtues, and where the greatest warriors finally become the greatest healers. A correspondent once told J. R. R. Tolkien that his work seemed illumined "by an invisible lamp." That lamp is the Church, and its light is the imaginative sensibility that we live in a sacramental world. This new book by the author of *The Trial of Man* examines in depth the influence of Catholic sacramentality on the thought and work of Tolkien, with major emphasis on *The Lord of the Rings*, but including his literary essays, epistolary poem "Mythopoeia," short story "Leaf by Niggle," and *The Silmarillion*. Here is a signal contribution to a deeper understanding of Tolkien, whose mythological world is meant to "recover" the meaning of our own as a grace-filled place, pointing toward its Creator.

[Tolkien's Legendarium](#) Oct 23 2021 When J.R.R. Tolkien died in 1973, he left behind a vast body of unpublished material related to the imaginary world of his fiction. Now arranged edited and published as *The History of Middle-earth* by his son and literary executor, Christopher Tolkien, these 12 volumes offer an unparalleled insight into the growth of Tolkien's mythology over five decades. This book is the first comprehensive critical examination of *The History of Middle-earth*. An opening essay by Rayner Unwin, Tolkien's publisher for many years, discusses the publication history of the material, while essays by expert contributors examine a broad range of topics related to the work.

[The Worlds of J. R. R. Tolkien](#) Mar 16 2021 An illustrated journey into the life and imagination of one of the world's best-loved authors, *Tolkien's Worlds* provides a unique exploration of the relationship between the real and the fantastical and is an essential companion for anyone who wants to follow in Tolkien's footsteps.

[Splintered Light](#) Apr 28 2022 J. R. R. Tolkien is perhaps best known for *The Hobbit* and *The Lord of the Rings*, but it is in *The Silmarillion* that the true depth of Tolkien's Middle-earth can be understood. *The Silmarillion* was written before, during, and after Tolkien wrote *The Hobbit* and *The Lord of the Rings*. A collection of stories, it provides information alluded to in Tolkien's better known works and, in doing so, turns *The Lord of the Rings* into much more than a sequel to *The Hobbit*, making it instead a continuation of the mythology of Middle-earth. Verlyn Flieger's expanded and updated edition of *Splintered Light*, a classic study of Tolkien's fiction first published in 1983, examines *The Silmarillion* and *The Lord of the Rings* in light of Owen Barfield's linguistic theory of the fragmentation of meaning. Flieger demonstrates Tolkien's use of Barfield's concept throughout the fiction, showing how his central image of primary light splintered and refracted acts as a metaphor for the languages, peoples, and history of Middle-earth.

[Ring Legends of Tolkien](#) Jun 18 2021 Learn the most popular legends about the Rings of Power! The history of J. R. R. Tolkien's fictional world of Middle-earth is filled with an ongoing struggle between good and evil, centered on a set of rings forged by Elves and an evil sorcerer. *The Ring Legends of Tolkien* recounts stories and conflicts surrounding the Rings of Power. Insightful commentary by Tolkien scholar David Day discusses how people, tactics, and weapons were used to obtain and control the rings, and also how the legends of Middle-earth relate to the real-world mythology on which Tolkien based his famous literary creation. Maps and full-color illustrations help bring this rich universe to life, making it an invaluable reference book for Tolkien fans of all ages. This work is unofficial and is not authorized by the Tolkien Estate or HarperCollins Publishers.

[Der kleine Hobbit](#) Aug 21 2021

[J. R. R. Tolkien's Sanctifying Myth](#) Mar 04 2020 Since the appearance of *The Lord of the Rings* in 1954, J. R. R. Tolkien's works have always sold briskly, appealing to a wide and diverse audience of intellectuals, religious believers, fantasy enthusiasts, and science fiction aficionados. Now, Peter Jackson's film version of Tolkien's trilogy—with its accompanying Rings-related paraphernalia and publicity—is playing a unique role in the dissemination of Tolkien's imaginative creation to the masses. Yet, for most readers and viewers, the underlying meaning of Middle-earth has remained obscure. Bradley Birzer has remedied that with this fresh study. In *J. R. R. Tolkien's Sanctifying Myth: Understanding Middle-earth*, Birzer explains the surprisingly specific religious symbolism that permeates Tolkien's Middle-earth legendarium. He also explores the social and political views that motivated the Oxford don, ultimately situating Tolkien within the Christian humanist tradition represented by Thomas More and T. S. Eliot, Dante and C. S. Lewis. Birzer argues that through the genre of myth Tolkien created a world that is essentially truer than the one we think we see around us every day, a world that transcends the colorless disenchantment of our postmodern age. "A small knowledge of history," Tolkien once wrote, "depresses one with the sense of the everlasting weight of human iniquity." As Birzer demonstrates, Tolkien's recognition of evil became mythologically manifest in the guise of Ringwraiths, Orcs, Sauron, and other dark beings. But Tolkien was ultimately optimistic: even weak, bumbling hobbits and humans, as long as they cling to the Good, can finally prevail. Bradley Birzer has performed a great service in elucidating Tolkien's powerful moral vision.

[Die Strasse gleitet fort und fort](#) Jul 08 2020

[Recipes from the World of Tolkien](#) Sep 29 2019 "If you've ever wondered what a Hobbit, an Elf, or a Dwarf might eat in a day's meals, this cookbook is for you! Whip up some tasty fare with recipes that cover all six mealtimes from the realm of J.R.R. Tolkien. Divided by the time of day, these recipes use modern ingredients and culinary techniques, and American measurements. A great resource for *Lord of the Rings* parties, this book is a perfect way to experience real food that tastes like a fantasy!"--Publisher description.

[Tolkien in the New Century](#) Apr 04 2020 Widely considered one of the leading experts on the works of J.R.R. Tolkien, Thomas Alan Shippey has informed and enlightened a generation of Tolkien scholars and fans. In this collection, friends and colleagues honor Shippey with 15 essays that reflect their mentor's research interests, methods of literary criticism and attention to Tolkien's shorter works. In a wide-ranging consideration of Tolkien's oeuvre, the contributors explore the influence of 19th and 20th century book illustrations on Tolkien's work; utopia and fantasy in Tolkien's Middle-earth; the *Silmarils*, the Arkenstone, and the One Ring as thematic vehicles; the pattern of decline in Middle-earth as reflected in the diminishing power of language; Tolkien's interest in medieval genres; the heroism of secondary characters; and numerous other topics. Also included are brief memoirs by Shippey's colleagues and friends in academia and fandom and a bibliography of Shippey's work.

[The Battles of Tolkien](#) Sep 02 2022 Tolkien's works are punctuated by dramatic and explosive battles. Men versus Orcs, Elves versus Sauron, Goblins versus

Dwarves - the history of Middle-earth has seen some of the greatest characters pitted against each other time and time again. From the iconic battle of Helm's Deep to the Destruction of Isengard, *The Battles of Tolkien* analyzes each battle in depth, with clear maps showing the lay of the land, and exactly how and where the armies attacked. This is essential reading for anyone who loves Tolkien's works and wants to explore the wars within them. This work is unofficial and is not authorized by the Tolkien Estate or HarperCollins Publishers.

Approaches to Teaching Tolkien's *The Lord of the Rings* and Other Works Jan 14 2021 A philologist and medieval scholar, J. R. R. Tolkien never intended to write immensely popular literature that would challenge traditional ideas about the nature of great literature and that was worthy of study in colleges across the world. He set out only to write a good story, the kind of story he and his friends would enjoy reading. In *The Hobbit* and in *The Lord of the Rings*, Tolkien created an entire world informed by his vast knowledge of mythology, languages, and medieval literature. In the 1960s, his books unexpectedly gained cult status with a new generation of young, countercultural readers. Today, the readership for Tolkien's absorbing secondary world--filled with monsters, magic, adventure, sacrifice, and heroism--continues to grow. Part 1 of this volume, "Materials," introduces instructors to the rich array of resources available for teaching Tolkien, including editions and criticism of his fiction and scholarship, historical material on his life and times, audiovisual materials, and film adaptations of his fiction. The essays in part 2, "Approaches," help instructors introduce students to critical debates around Tolkien's work, its sources, its influence, and its connection to ecology, religion, and science. Contributors draw on interdisciplinary approaches to outline strategies for teaching Tolkien in a wide variety of classroom contexts.

**The Dark Powers of Tolkien** Nov 23 2021 J.R.R. Tolkien's *The Lord of the Rings*, *The Hobbit* and *The Silmarillion* are some of the greatest tales of good versus evil ever told. From the creation of Arda to the War of the Ring, Tolkien's Middle-earth has seen war and rebellion, devastation and loss, in which the powers of darkness emerged. Here in his latest book, best-selling author and Tolkien expert David Day explores Tolkien's portrayal of evil, and the sources that inspired his work: from myth, literature and history. This work is unofficial and is not authorized by the Tolkien Estate or HarperCollins Publishers.

**A Dictionary of Sources of Tolkien** Oct 11 2020 The spellbinding world of Middle-earth is full of beasts and battles, heroes and heroines, and the struggle between good and evil. In this dictionary of sources, Tolkien scholar and best-selling author David Day's four decades of research inform us about the lands, inhabitants, languages, geography and history of Middle-earth. This compelling encyclopedia on Tolkien's world also includes over 200 illustrations and an appendix that examines the legends that were key sources for Tolkien's creations - the *Völsunga Saga*, the *Nibelungenlied*, and Richard Wagner's *Ring Cycle*.

**J.R.R. Tolkien und sein Christentum** Oct 30 2019 J.R.R. Tolkien (1892-1973), Philologe an der Universität Oxford, ist den meisten Menschen durch seine Romanreihe *Der Herr der Ringe* bekannt. Weniger bekannt dagegen ist, dass der streng gläubige Katholik in seinem literarischen Wirken eine Art des religiösen Vollzugs sah, der nicht im Widerspruch zu seinem tiefen Glauben stand. Seinem Verständnis nach führte er als "Zweitschöpfer" den biblischen Schöpfungsauftrag fort, indem er einen von tiefer innerer Wahrheit geprägten Mythos erschuf. Den aufmerksamen Rezipienten ist schon sehr früh aufgefallen, dass Tolkien Elemente unterschiedlicher religiöser Traditionen mit Motiven aus verschiedenen Mythen verwebt, mit denen er sich im Rahmen seiner akademischen Tätigkeiten beschäftigte. Diese Arbeit zeigt, dass die religiöse Rezeptionsgeschichte demnach sehr früh beginnt und immer noch nicht abgeschlossen ist, wenngleich die religiösen Bildwelten heute vom Publikum nicht mehr automatisch als christliche bzw. religiöse Bilder wahrgenommen werden.

Perilous Realms Jan 02 2020 Two Norths and their English blend -- Skin-changing in more than one sense : the complexity of Beorn -- Bridges, gates, and doors -- Iceland and Middle-earth : two who loved the North -- Spiders and evil red eyes : the shadow sides of Gandalf and Galadriel -- Wisewomen, shieldmaidens, nymphs, and goddesses -- Eating, devouring, sacrifice, and ultimate just deserts (why elves are vegetarian and the unrefined are not) -- Three questions by way of conclusion.

The Illustrated World of Tolkien Feb 12 2021 Tolkien's works have inspired artists for generations and have given rise to myriad interpretations of the rich and magical worlds he created. *The Illustrated World of Tolkien* gathers together artworks and essays from expert illustrators, painters and etchers, and fascinating and scholarly writing from renowned Tolkien expert David Day, and is an exquisite reference guide for any fan of Tolkien's work, Tolkien's world and the imaginative brilliance his vision inspired.

The Languages of Tolkien's Middle-earth Oct 03 2022 Explains the fourteen different languages and assorted alphabets of Middle-earth, translates Elvish poetry, war slogans, and sayings, and features a complete dictionary of non-English words in the Middle-earth classics

**A Companion to J. R. R. Tolkien** Jun 06 2020 This is a complete resource for scholars and students of Tolkien, as well as avid fans, with coverage of his life, work, dominant themes, influences, and the critical reaction to his writing. An in-depth examination of Tolkien's entire work by a cadre of top scholars Provides up-to-date discussion and analysis of Tolkien's scholarly and literary works, including his latest posthumous book, *The Fall of Arthur*, as well as addressing contemporary adaptations, including the new *Hobbit* films Investigates various themes across his body of work, such as mythmaking, medieval languages, nature, war, religion, and the defeat of evil Discusses the impact of his work on art, film, music, gaming, and subsequent generations of fantasy writers

The Battles of Tolkien Jan 26 2022 An in-depth analysis of the major battles of Tolkien's works, from *The Hobbit* to *The Lord of the Rings*. Find out how each battle came about and how it shaped the course of Middle-earth's history in this beautifully-bound leatherette volume, the third title in a successful trilogy

The Evolution of Tolkien's Mythology Mar 28 2022 The History of Middle-earth traces the evolution of J.R.R. Tolkien's literary world, stories, and characters from their earliest written forms to the final revisions Tolkien penned shortly before his death in 1973. Published posthumously by Tolkien's son Christopher, the extensively detailed 12-volume work allows readers to follow the development of the texts that eventually became Tolkien's immensely popular *The Hobbit*, *The Lord of the Rings*, *The Silmarillion*, and *Unfinished Tales*. This work provides a thorough study of Tolkien's life and influences through an analysis of *The History of Middle-earth*. The work begins with a brief biography and an analysis of the major influences in Tolkien's life. Following chapters deal with elements common to Tolkien's popular works, including the cosmogony, theogony, cosmology, metaphysics, and eschatology of Middle-earth. The study also reviews some of the myths with which Tolkien was most familiar—Greek, Roman, Finnish, and Norse—and reveals the often overlapping relationship between mythology, biblical stories, and Tolkien's popular works.

Ents, Elves, and Eriador Sep 09 2020 Many readers drawn into the heroic tales of J. R. R. Tolkien's imaginary world of Middle-earth have given little conscious thought to the importance of the land itself in his stories or to the vital roles played by the flora and fauna of that land. As a result, *The Hobbit*, *The Lord of the Rings*, and *The Silmarillion* are rarely considered to be works of environmental literature or mentioned together with such authors as John Muir, Rachel Carson, or Aldo Leopold. Tolkien's works do not express an activist agenda; instead, his environmentalism is expressed in the form of literary fiction. Nonetheless, Tolkien's vision of nature is as passionate and has had as profound an influence on his readers as that of many contemporary environmental writers. The burgeoning field of agrarianism provides new insights into Tolkien's view of the natural world and environmental responsibility. In *Ents, Elves, and Eriador*, Matthew Dickerson and Jonathan Evans show how Tolkien anticipated some of the tenets of modern environmentalism in the imagined world of Middle-earth and the races with which it is peopled. The philosophical foundations that define Tolkien's environmentalism, as well as the practical outworking of these philosophies, are found throughout his work. Agrarianism is evident in the pastoral lifestyle and sustainable agriculture of the Hobbits, as they harmoniously cultivate the land for food and goods. The Elves practice aesthetic, sustainable horticulture as they shape their forest environs into an elaborate garden. To complete Tolkien's vision, the Ents of Fangorn Forest represent what Dickerson and Evans label feraculture, which seeks to preserve wilderness in its natural form. Unlike the Entwives, who are described as cultivating food in tame gardens, the Ents risk eventual extinction for their beliefs. These ecological philosophies reflect an aspect of Christian stewardship rooted in Tolkien's Catholic faith. Dickerson and Evans define it as "stewardship of the kind modeled by Gandalf," a stewardship that nurtures the land rather than exploiting its life-sustaining capacities to the point of exhaustion. Gandalfian stewardship is at odds with the forces of greed exemplified by Sauron and Saruman, who, with their lust for power, ruin the land they inhabit, serving as a dire warning of what comes to pass when stewardly care is corrupted or ignored. Dickerson and Evans examine Tolkien's major works as well as his lesser-known stories and essays, comparing his writing to that of the most important naturalists of the past century. A vital contribution to environmental literature and an essential addition to Tolkien scholarship, *Ents, Elves, and Eriador* offers both Tolkien fans and environmentalists an understanding of Middle-earth that has profound implications for environmental stewardship in the present and the future of our own world.

The Hobbits of Tolkien Aug 01 2022 An entire race was born when J.R.R. Tolkien scrawled on a leaf, 'In a hole in the ground there lived a hobbit.' From the invention of that single word (hobbit) Tolkien became the explorer and chronicler of the character, their race and their significant role in his fantastical world, Middle-earth. Here in his latest book, Tolkien expert David Day unpicks the myriad of riddles, puns and mystical meanings in Tolkien's works; *The Hobbit* and

The Lord of the Rings. This work is unofficial and is not authorized by the Tolkien Estate or HarperCollins Publishers.

**An Atlas of Tolkien** May 18 2021 This lavish, colour atlas is a complete guide to the weird and wonderful geography of Tolkien's world. Packed with full page maps and illustrations of events in the annals of Middle-earth, it is the perfect companion to the bestselling *A Dictionary of Tolkien*. This book is unofficial and is not authorised by the Tolkien Estate or HarperCollins Publishers.

**Tolkiens Reise nach Mittelerde** Jun 26 2019 J.R.R. Tolkien - kaum ein Autor hat einen solchen Kultstatus erreicht, seine Werke und die darin geschaffenen Welten fesseln Generationen. Sehen wir unberührte Hügellandschaften, denken wir an das Auenland. Färben sich die Blätter im Herbst golden, erinnert uns dies an Lothlorien. Und der Ruf der Möwen entführt uns in Gedanken in die "Unsterblichen Lande". Tolkiens Mittelerde begegnet uns als eine alte Welt, die uns auf unbestimmte Weise vertraut ist. Christopher Snyder entführt den Leser auf Tolkiens Reise nach Mittelerde und entüllt die historischen, literarischen und biographischen Quellen seiner Inspiration - von den nordischen Mythen und Sprachen über das europäische Mittelalter bis zu den Einflüssen der Inklings und C.S. Lewis'.

**A Hobbit Journey** Aug 09 2020 The Lord of the Rings trilogy has delighted millions of fans worldwide in book and movie form. With the theatrical release of the two-part film *The Hobbit* slated for 2012 and 2013, attention will once again turn to J. R. R. Tolkien's classic works. In a culture where truth is relative and morality is viewed as old-fashioned, we welcome the chance to view the world through hobbit eyes: we have free will, our choices matter, and living a morally heroic life is possible. In this engaging and thought-provoking book, Tolkien expert Matthew Dickerson shows how a Christian worldview and Christian themes undergird Tolkien's Middle-earth writings and how they are fundamentally important to understanding his vision. This revised and expanded edition of *Following Gandalf* includes new material on torture, social justice, and the importance of the body.

**The Heroes of Tolkien** Sep 21 2021 A compendium of the greatest heroes of Middle-earth, all in one volume. J. R. R. Tolkien's fictional world of Middle-earth is filled with great heroes who rose in the face of crisis to shape the course of that world's history. This volume examines the complexities surrounding Tolkien's portrayal of good and evil, analyzing the most celebrated heroes from the earliest days of Arda to the end of the War of the Ring. Men, elves, dwarves, and their allies are covered in detail, and each hero's role in the battle against the forces of evil is discussed at length. This work is unofficial and is not authorized by the Tolkien Estate or HarperCollins Publishers.

**J.R.R. Tolkien** May 06 2020 The definitive Tolkien companion—an indispensable guide to *The Hobbit*, *The Lord of the Rings*, and more, from the author of *The Road to Middle-earth*. This “highly erudite celebration and exploration of Tolkien’s works [is] enormous fun,” declared the *Houston Chronicle*, and Tom Shippey, a prominent medievalist and scholar of fantasy, “deepens your understanding” without “making you forget your initial, purely instinctive response to Middle-earth and hobbits.” In a clear and accessible style, Shippey offers a new approach to Tolkien, to fantasy, and to the importance of language in literature. He breaks down *The Lord of the Rings* as a linguistic feast for the senses and as a response to the human instinct for myth. Elsewhere, he examines *The Hobbit*’s counterintuitive relationship to the heroic world of Middle-earth; demonstrates the significance of *The Silmarillion* to Tolkien’s canon; and takes an illuminating look at lesser-known works in connection with Tolkien’s life. Furthermore, he ties all these strands together in a continuing tradition that traces its roots back through Grimm’s Fairy Tales to Beowulf. “Shippey’s commentary is the best so far in elucidating Tolkien’s lovely myth,” wrote *Harper’s Magazine*. *J.R.R. Tolkien: Author of the Century* is “a triumph” (*Chicago Sun-Times*) that not only gives readers a deeper understanding of Tolkien and his work, but also serves as an entertaining introduction to some of the most influential novels ever written.

**The Body in Tolkien's Legendarium** Dec 13 2020 The timely collection of essays is thematically unified around the subject of corporeality. Its theoretical underpinnings emerge out of feminist, Foucauldian, patristic and queer hermeneutics. The book is organized into categories specific to transformation, spirit versus body, discourse, and source material. More than one essay focuses on female bodies and on the monstrous or evil body. While Tolkien's *The Lord of the Rings* is central to most analyses, authors also cover *The Hobbit*, *The Silmarillion*, and material in *The History of Middle-earth*.

**Guide to Tolkien's World** Aug 28 2019 *Guide to Tolkien's World* seeks to do justice to the creatures and their world through more than one hundred fantasy illustrations. All kinds of beings are shown, be they vast winged dragons, earthbound creatures of evil, or simple flowers. David Day has identified and analyzed 129 separate races. Each is clearly explained in terms of its physical appearance, language, behaviour and culture. The purpose of *Guide to Tolkien's World* is not to retell their stories, but to make Tolkien's own book more accessible by identifying his creatures and explaining their roles in his epic world.

**An Encyclopedia of Tolkien** Jun 30 2022 List of illustrations -- Introduction -- A dictionary of sources -- Charts -- Battles -- Three primary ring legends -- Tolkien's ring -- Index of sources -- Index.

**The Letters of J.R.R. Tolkien** Jul 20 2021 '...If you wanted to go on from the end of *The Hobbit* I think the ring would be your inevitable choice as the link. If then you wanted a large tale, the Ring would at once acquire a capital letter; and the Dark Lord would immediately appear. As he did, unasked, on the hearth at Bag End as soon as I came to that point. So the essential Quest started at once. But I met a lot of things along the way that astonished me. Tom Bombadil I knew already; but I had never been to Bree. Strider sitting in the corner of the inn was a shock, and I had no more idea who he was than Frodo did. The Mines of Moria had been a mere name; and of Lothlorien no word had reached my mortal ears till I came there.' -- J.R.R. Tolkien to W.H. Auden, June 7, 1955 J.R.R. Tolkien, cherished author of *The Hobbit*, *The Lord of the Rings*, and *The Silmarillion*, was one of the twentieth century's most prolific letter writers. Over the years he wrote a mass of letters -- to his publishers, his family, to friends, and to fans of his books -- which record the history and composition of his works and his reaction to subsequent events. By turns thoughtful, impish, scholarly, impassioned, playful, vigorous, and gentle, Tolkien poured his heart and mind into a great stream of correspondence to intimate friends and unknown admirers all over the world. From this collection one sees a mind of immense complexity and many layers -- artistic, religious, charmingly eccentric, sentimental, and ultimately brilliant. Now newly expanded with a detailed index, this collection provides an invaluable record that sheds much light on Tolkien's creative genius, his thoughts and feelings about his own work, and the evolution of his grand design for the creation of a whole new world -- Middle-earth.

**A Dictionary of Tolkien** Dec 25 2021 "Full of beautiful illustrations, this book is an indispensable guide to the rich, mythical world of Middle-Earth and the Undying Lands. Arranged in a handy A-Z format, this book explores and explains the creatures, plants, events, and places that make up these strange and wonderful lands. It is essential reading for anyone who loves Tolkien's works and want to learn more about them"--

**The Ring Legends of Tolkien** Nov 11 2020 Tolkien's One Ring, at the centre of one of the greatest fantasy tales ever told, is an undeniably iconic and powerful symbol in literature. Tracing centuries of ancient folklore, *The Ring Legends of Tolkien* is a deep and highly informed investigation into the inspiration behind Tolkien's epic fantasy world, exploring the origins of the One Ring, as well as the extraordinary myths and legends that inspired Tolkien's works. This work is unofficial and is not authorized by the Tolkien Estate or HarperCollins Publishers.

**The Origins of Tolkien's Middle-earth For Dummies** Nov 04 2022 J.R.R. Tolkien's novels of Middle-earth – *The Hobbit*, *The Lord of the Rings* trilogy, and *The Silmarillion* – have become some of the most famous, and most beloved, literary works of the twentieth century. And the *Lord of the Rings* films by director Peter Jackson have re-ignited interest in Tolkien and his works, as well as introduced his stories to a new generation of fans. Even if you've never read the novels and have only seen the films, you know that the world of Middle-earth is a complicated one. Tolkien took great care in representing this world, from creating new languages to including very particular cultural details that add to the richness of the world's fabric. Many other books have been written about Tolkien and his works, but none have come close to providing the kind of reference needed to comprehend the world of Middle-earth. That's what veteran *Dummies* author and unabashed Tolkien fan Greg Harvey attempts to do in *The Origins of Tolkien's Middle-earth For Dummies*. As the author says in his introduction to the book, this is not an encyclopedia or quick guide to all the diverse beings, languages, and history that make up Tolkien's Middle-earth. Nor is it a set of plot outlines for the novels. Rather, what you'll find in *The Origins of Tolkien's Middle-earth For Dummies* is a basic guide to some of the possible linguistic and mythological origins of Middle-earth, plus a rudimentary analysis of its many themes and lessons for our world. This book can help enrich your reading (or re-reading) of Tolkien's novels, and it will challenge you to think about the themes inherent in Tolkien's Middle-earth and their implications in your own life. Here's just a sampling of the topics you'll find covered in *The Origins of Tolkien's Middle-earth For Dummies*: Exploring the main themes in Tolkien's works, including immortality and death; the heroic quest; love; fate and free will; and faith and redemption Investigating the diverse lands of Middle-earth – including the Shire, Gondor, and Mordor – and their significance Examining the different cultures of Middle-earth, such as Hobbits, Elves, Men, and those wily Wizards Touring the history of Middle-earth Understanding Tolkien's creation of new languages to enrich the story of Middle-earth Top Ten lists on the battles in the War of the Ring, online resources, and the ways the films differ from the novels So, whether you're reading Tolkien's novels or watching the films for the first time, or you've been a fan for many years and are looking for a new take on Tolkien's works, *The Origins of Tolkien's Middle-earth For Dummies* can help

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*The Complete Guide to Middle-earth* Apr 16 2021 For the millions who have already ventured to Middle-earth—and for the countless others who have yet to embark on the journey—here is the one indispensable A-to-Z guide that brings Tolkien's universe to life. EVERY CHARACTER From Adaldrida Brandybuck to Zaragamba—every Hobbit, Elf, Dwarf, Man, Orc, and other resident of Middle-earth is vividly described and accurately located in its proper place and time. EVERY PLACE Colorful and detailed descriptions of geographical entries allow you to pick up the action anywhere in Middle-earth and follow it through *The Hobbit*, *The Lord of the Rings*, and beyond. EVERY THING From stars and streams to food and flora, everything found in Middle-earth is alphabetically listed and, when necessary, cross-referenced. This is truly a master key to Tolkien's Middle-earth.

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