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Following an introduction to the subject of collecting sci-fi and fantasy, the book is divided into the main types of collectible, such as comics and annuals, movie posters and ephemera. Within these chapters are further sub-sections highlighting specific areas of collecting, with an introduction to each and colour photographs with informative captions and price guides. A timeline highlights key events in the development of sci-fi and fantasy as a genre and real-life events that have furthered interest in the subject. All the familiar favourites are included, from the "Forbidden Planet" of the 1950s, and the 1970s cult classics of "Star Wars" and "Star Trek", up to "Spiderman", "Harry Potter" and "Lord of the Rings" and information is provided on a range of items including action figures, books and toys. The emphasis is on collecting throughout - what to look for, what's rare and what to pay. Also included is a list of useful addresses for auction houses and dealers and a further reading section.

About the Author Phil Ellis has a longstanding interest in antiques and collectibles. Based in Birmingham, he has worked on various magazines and publications, including Antiques Magazine, and is the author of Miller's Corkscrews Wine Antiques Collector's Guide and Miller's Antiques, Art, Collectibles on the Web. He has always loved sci-fi and fantasy and has been an avid fan of Star Trek and Dr Who since their appearance on UK television in the 1960s, as well as collecting all the Gerry Anderson Thunderbirds memorabilia.