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Various : Batman Arkham: Poison Ivy before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Batman Arkham: Poison Ivy:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Poison Ivy's 50th anniversary retrospective By Robert Fisher 2016 marked Poison Ivy's 50th anniversary, and DC gave her quite a year. There was her mini-series Cycle of Life and Death and this volume gives us a career retrospective. She is a favorite character; probably the reason that I am drawn to her is the fact that I am an introvert and trying to be pleasant while dealing with people all day can be a strain.

Naturally, I would like a beautiful misanthrope who acts on her impulses and often gets away with it (I should note that the two real women I have been most involved with were the polar opposites of Ivy). We see Ivy and the stages of her development. She started out as an egotistical crook who used her knowledge of plants to commit crimes. In time, she gained actual power over plants and her motivations evolved from either mere money or control over Batman to a fanatical commitment to the environment. This volume has the varying renditions of Ivy's origins and some character profiles (there seems to be differences in her precise height; she's been listed as being as small as 5'1" and in the original Harley Quinn comic, she looked to be about six feet tall). While I did like the stories, I wish we might have seen one or two of the tales in which Batman found himself in an uneasy alliance with her. I was also disappointed that we saw only one story with Harley Quinn, which was odd given their close friendship. Has it occurred to anyone else that Ivy seems to be the Katchoo to Harley's Francine? Ivy's surprising maternal side goes unexplored, but that subject is a central theme of the simultaneously released trade edition of *Cycle of Life and Death*. Despite its flaws, this is a collection that Poison Ivy fans will want and generally like.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars
By chrisMust have for any Poison Ivy fan!!!
7 of 7 people found the following review helpful. One of the Best Arkham Collections So Far
By clairetoldmetochangemyscreenname
Of the Batman Arkham collections that have come out over the course of the year, Poison Ivy's is one of the strongest. As with the rest of the series, the collection includes various comic story arcs from throughout the years starting with Poison Ivy's first appearance all the way up to the New 52 relaunch. Poison Ivy's collection is especially interesting as we see that the character underwent major revisions and retcons over her history. In her first appearances in the 60's, Ivy is a vapid, stereotype of a female villain who is more concerned with her looks than being an effective baddie. A Wonder Woman tie-in also tells an original origin story of Ivy's that is later retconned in a Green Lantern tie-in. More than any other Arkham collection so far, this one is fascinating just for the sake of seeing how various artists and writers have worked to bring Ivy to life and make her the well known, plant-controlling eco terrorist she is in modern comics. I was also glad to see that at least one Gotham Sirens comic got included in this collection so that fans could see a bit of the friendship between Ivy and fellow Gotham female villains Catwoman and Harley Quinn. Too bad, however, that the collection doesn't include any material from the recent Harley Quinn run where she and Ivy are out and out lovers. Also, an early comic about Ivy using her powers to brainwash Bruce Wayne into giving her the proverbial keys to the Wayne Foundation is left unresolved with the concluding chapter left out of the collection (just as annoying as when the Killer Croc collection failed to include the conclusion of his original story arc). Overall, a great collection and a must own for collectors and hardcore Batman fans.

GOTHAMS DEADLIEST BEAUTY Poison Ivy was once Dr. Pamela Lillian Isley, a young woman with a unique fascination with botany and toxicology. But then she was seduced and later experimented on by her mentor, Professor Jason Woodrue, also known as the super-villain Floronic Man. Now a constant thorn in Batman's side, Poison Ivy uses the toxins in her bloodstream to make her touch fatal to whomever she chooses, giving her the ability to create pheromones that make men her slaves while she stops at nothing to ensure plant life will retake Earth. **BATMAN ARKHAM: POISON IVY** collects some of the villain's greatest stories by some of the industry's greatest creators, including Robert Kanigher (*THE FLASH*), Gerry Conway (*JUSTICE LEAGUE OF AMERICA*), Neil Gaiman (*THE SANDMAN*), Guillem March (*CATWOMAN*), P. Craig Russell (*WONDER WOMAN*), Mark Buckingham (*FABLES*) and many more! Collects *BATMAN* #181, #339, *BATMAN: LEGENDS OF THE DARK KNIGHT* #42-43, *BATMAN: POISON IVY* #1, *BATMAN: SHADOW OF THE BAT ANNUAL* #3, *BATMAN VILLAIN SECRET FILES* #1, *DETECTIVE COMICS* #23.1, *GOTHAM CITY SIRENS* #8, *JOKERS ASYLUM: POISON IVY* #1, *SECRET ORIGINS* #36, *THE BATMAN CHRONICLES* #10, *WHO'S WHO: THE DEFINITIVE DIRECTORY OF THE DC UNIVERSE* #18, *WHOS WHO IN THE DC UNIVERSE* #5 and *WORLDS FINEST COMICS* #251-252.