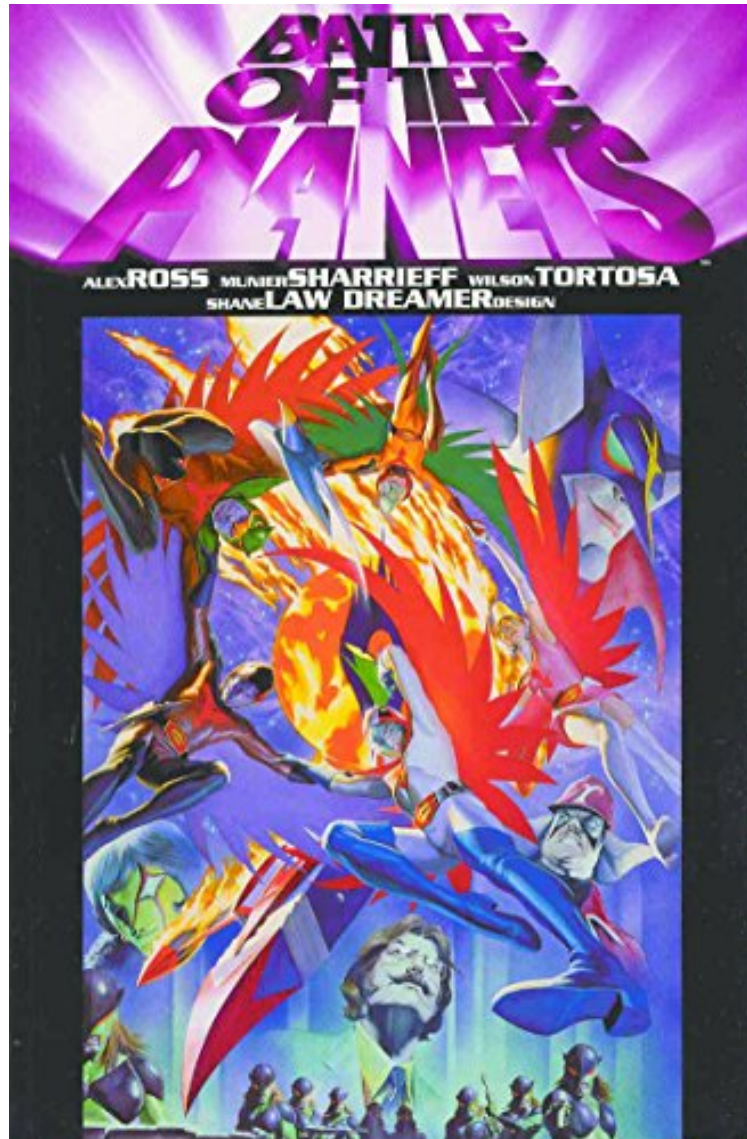


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. All the issues put into one for easy reading and nice book shelf quality By Airsketch All the issues put into one for easy reading and nice book shelf quality. A great read for Battle of the Planet fans. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. This comic is fun! By Kid Kyoto OK... just to give some background, Battle of the Planets was a 1970's translation/adaptation of a Japanese cartoon called Science Ninja

Team Gatchaman. It took out a lot of the violence, whitewashed the Japanese names with American ones and added a cute robot. This book is called Battle of the Planets and uses the American names but is much closer to the original Japanese Gatchaman than the American adaptation. Under the art direction (and gorgeous covers) of Gatchaman fan Alex Ross and published by Top Cow studios, this book updates the original series adding more back-story and details while keeping the campy styles and 70s designs fans fondly remember. This is a black and white reproduction (there were also full-sized, full color reprints) but seems to have been shot from the inked pages, they do not have the muddy BW that marred some of Top Cow's other BW books. There are some odd choices; it reprints issues 1-9 and a special focusing on one character. But the special is placed right in the middle of a storyline and interrupts the flow and continuity. Putting it at the end would have made the book much more coherent. But you get lots of science ninja action and it gave me warm fuzzy memories of the original show. So if you like Battle of the Planets/gatchaman/G-Force/Eagle Riders etc you'll like this take on them.

5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Well done By Jim Cleaveland I'm really surprised to see people panning this. I think the Battle of the Planets comics have been exceptionally well done, not just in the art but in the story as well. We finally learn why the Spectrans look just like humans (I've always disliked the cliché of "humanoid" aliens, and I was pleased to get a reasonable explanation for once), we learn what the "spirit" is that Zoltar receives his orders from, we see the Earth public's reaction to the growing realization that there are aliens among us laying the groundwork for an invasion--including a fair number of human collaborators. Even General Tomak, a new character that one reviewer criticized, turns out to have a good reason for being there. Again, I think the monthly series has been quite well done, and I consider myself a tough critic of comics, especially Image (I have a long-standing grudge against Image for their style-over-substance approach and love of gore and violence displayed in so many of their comics--but NOT in this one, thankfully.) Unfortunately, we don't get much of the overall story arc in this first volume. I'd hoped that now that Image has completed the first run of the monthly series and switched to a black white manga-style format, that the color stories would all be reprinted in a single graphic novel, but instead they've spread it over three. G-Force's first mission doesn't go very well for them, but their first mission is all we get in this volume. Most of the backstory and explanations I spoke of don't occur until later, either. I should point out that there is one scene in this volume that seemed jarring to me (Spoiler warning)--Keyop (the little sidekick) kills a bad guy in a pretty bloody fashion. It makes sense in the context of the story, and it's handled tactfully, but to someone who grew up watching the sanitized Sandy Frank English language version of the show (as opposed to the original Gatchaman, which is supposedly much more violent), it was a bit of a shock, and I couldn't help but mutter something about Image Comics when I saw it. Anyway, I'd say this is definitely worth your while. If not the graphic novel, then go to your local comic shop and just check out the monthly comic. I really admire the effort that's been put into it, and I'm concerned it will go under if not enough readers support it.

Sandy Frank Productions, Top Cow Productions and Alex Ross proudly present: Battle of the Planets! Join Mark, Jason, Tiny, Keyop, and Princess on their adventures to save the earth from the evil Zoltar and the forces of Spectra! The attack on Earth has begun, and only the super-team known as G-Force stands between the forces of evil and our planet's utter destruction. Can Mark, Jason, Keyop, Tiny and Princess defeat Zoltar and the soldiers of Spectra? Earth had better hope so, because time is running out! Collects Battle of the Planets #1-3!