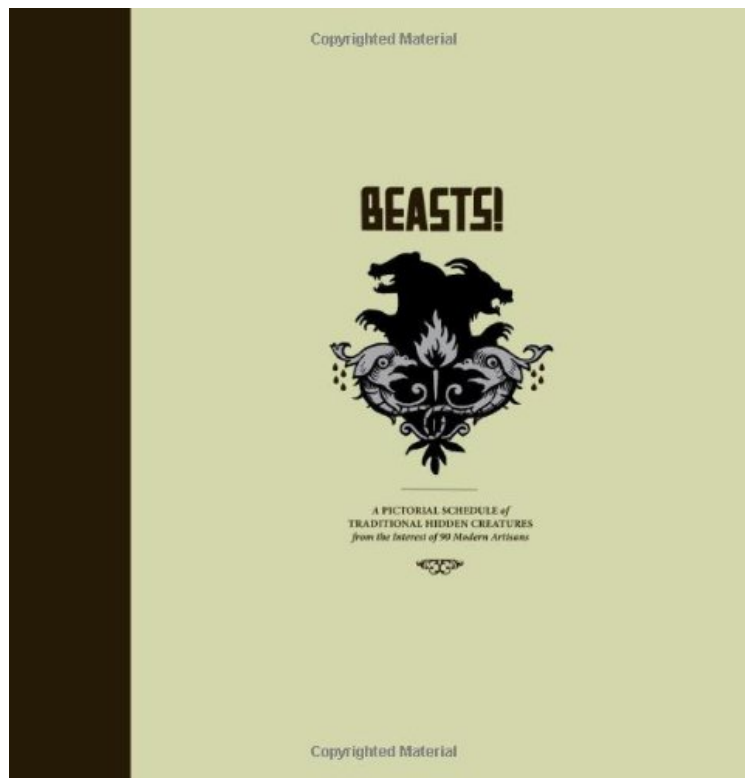


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3 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Great book with a lot of highpoints.By Jeffrey A. DickinsonI expected to like this book since it features several of my favorite artists such as Richard Sala and Dave Cooper. But I was surprised by how cool this book is. The production and design are top-notch and the different artists really turned out some of their best work. Even people you've never heard of will impress you. Everyone seems to have had fun with this idea.To sum up-this is one of the best purchases I've made all year.9 of 10 people found the following review helpful. An Unexpected Book!By JunetteIf you're really into vampires, trolls, loch ness monsters, and beasts that don't even have a name but were finally given one just so they could have a place in this book because they were just so darn interesting (seems like it, though apparently that's not ~really~ the case), then this is the book for you. A really beautiful binding plus lovely artwork and snappy but smart descriptions makes the perfect Beasts! book.The descriptions probably won't go over three sentences long and are snappy and to the point. There are times when I wish they could have provided more information, but really, they've just managed the right amount to keep the book

engaging but not overactive with information, and it's nice to know how such a truly different book can make you go, "how weird but cool". You wouldn't believe what some of these beasts can do and what kind of names they have - Laestrygonians, man-eating giants, for instance. All of the illustrations are delightfully creative and stay true to form. They all match their descriptions extremely well and just harmonize with the page, giving you an excellent visual representation of the beast. They're not like creatures from Pan's Labryinth sketchbook or whatever, but they each have distinctive style from the other and the imagination is just amazing. One of my favorites is the vampire image - just so clean with so much contrast, long, needle-point fangs, a bloody mouth and arm, and piercing, white eyes; it really makes me scared. All of the illustrations are fantastic, really. This book will make an interesting add to your bedside, coffee, work, or whatever table you put it on. The monsters are something to look at, and you'll just admire how everything was done from the layout to the pictures to the nice descriptions. Personally, I also love the cover of the book. It looks even more elaborate and beautiful in real-life. 10 of 13 people found the following review helpful. Cryptozoological Fun! By JAB Over 90 modern artists are in this book. Including Tony Millionaire, Jordan Crane, Dan Yeagle, and my fav Josh Cochran. Assembled is a great book of monsters given form by many modern artists. Some monster you'll like some you'll hate, but you'll have fun looking them up through this book. It took about three years for this to come out and with so many artists involved I can understand why. I waited forever for this to come out. I actually found out about it because of an art show mix up. One of the artists appearing in the book had some pieces in another art show called COVER TO COVER. They used his work from this book on the flyer and that was the only reason I went to the art show. Well that piece wasn't there and I was pissed. Then I found out about this book a couple months later and have been waiting for it to come out. Then I found out there was an art show for this book's release and so I went and actually met the guy who did the piece that initially grabbed me. Tritons by Josh Cochran. He even signed my book. So did fifteen other artists.

A bestiary of the ages by a cavalcade of popular artists. *Beasts!* is a classic mythological menagerie, comprised only of creatures that were thought at one time to actually exist, depicted by about a hundred of the most acclaimed artists and cartoonists coming from the most avant-garde ambits of the art world. The *Beasts* project has fired the imaginations of luminaries such as Craig Thompson, Souther Salazar, Jeff Soto, Glenn Barr, Dave Cooper, Tim Biskup, Seonna Hong, Jeremy Fish and Jay Ryan, who will present never-before-seen art completely original to this book, superbly laid out in breathtaking, full-color two-page spreads. *Beasts!* collects many of the best visual artists from the worlds of comics, skateboarding, rock graphics, science-fiction, children's books, commercial and fine art. The book is conceived and designed by Jacob Covey, lead art director for Fantagraphics (*Dennis the Menace*, *Billy Hazelnuts*, *Hanging Out With the Dream King*, etc.) and a well-regarded designer and artist in his own right in the Northwest rock and arts community. Other contributors include: Anders Nilsen, Art Chantry, Brian Chippendale, Brian Ralph, Bwana Spoons, Colleen Coover, Jason Miles, Jesse LeDoux, Johnny Ryan, Jordan Crane, Keith Shore, Kevin Scalzo, Marc Bell, Martin Cendreda, Mat Brinkman, R. Kikuo Johnson, Richard Sala, Sammy Harkham, Stan Sakai, S. Britt, Steven Weissman, Ted Jouflas, Tom Gauld and many more!

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