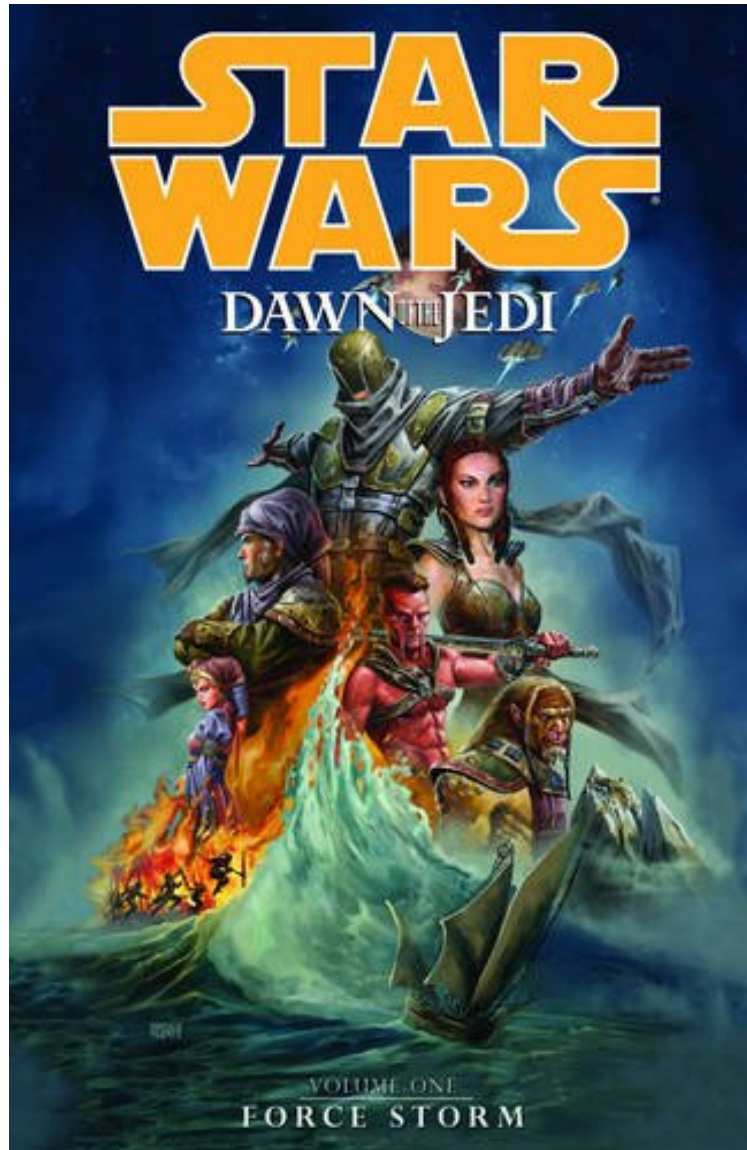


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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. The Beginnings of the JediBy MereChristianStar Wars: Dawn of the Jedi is a bit of an ambitious idea for a comic book series from Dark Horse Comics and Lucasfilm. For years now, the various Star Wars "guides" have always included snippets about the civilizations that existed before the Old Republic, and the beginnings of the Jedi Order. It was always just a few pages or paragraphs, here or there, with tantalizing information. Now, with this series, these brief mentions are being expanded, and the story of the pre-cursors of the Republic and the Jedi is finally being told. In the first volume of this series (which takes place many millennia before the beginning of the Star Wars films), Force Storm, the Force-sensitives of the galaxy are gathered together on living vessels and taken to the planet Tython. Once there, they begin to learn about this mysterious energy field that has been studied, worshiped, and is the center of much philosophical and scholarly debate, this "Force". After the name of some philosophers that were part of the group taken to the planet, the new servants and students of this Force are called the Je'daii Order. In this early period, the Je'daii are quite different from their successors that will follow them many thousands of years later. For one thing, they are not divided so sharply into different camps, as the Jedi and Sith are later to be. For them, too light-sided is just as bad as too dark-sided. They both blind you to the bigger picture of the universe, and put one out of balance. Though this view is wrong according to canon, for those just starting out in their knowledge of the Force, it makes sense. Particularly since whatever force (pun entirely unintended) drew them together for the purpose of studying and learning of the Force, also dropped them off on a planet in a system where too much of a wide-spread deviance to one side or the other of the Force will spell doom via deadly "Force storms" (hence the title of this graphic novel). Another interesting plot point is that, at this time, the Je'daii do not have lightsabers. The lightsaber appears to be an invention of the evil Rakatan "Infinite Empire" who seem to be the main antagonists of the series. In fact, not all Je'daii have weapons, and those that do have some special "Force-forged" instruments. Think of the Sword of Leah in the Shannara books or other magically empowered or crafted weapons in various fantasy series, and that is the closest comparison one could make. Though far more powerful than other weapons, it couldn't stand up to a lightsaber, and maybe not even a blaster either. The story continues on from the development of the Je'daii Order and goes forward millennia to the eventual discovery of Tython by agents of the Infinite Empire. These special agents, steeped in the Dark Side of the Force, are called "Force Hounds", and they have sensed a planet with an immense concentration of Force-sensitives out somewhere in space. They seek this world, and when one of them finds it, the Je'daii must restrain him before his dark side presence, fueled by his incredible power, tilts the planet into a Force storm of cataclysmic proportions. I quite enjoyed this book. Though the first volume ended rather abruptly only partway through (one of the pitfalls of an ongoing story), because it was interesting to see the beginnings of the Jedi, and how their religion and way of life differs from what comes later. It was also fun to just see the vague paragraphs of various "guides" and other sources expanded into a coherent story. The only problem I had was that, despite the lack of many technological elements of later years, and a supposedly completely different way of life at the time, the actual culture, mannerisms, and even fashions, that we see are just the same as those that would come later on. There seems to have been a cultural, linguistic, and fashion stasis, and it kind of messed with my suspension of disbelief. This story takes place nearly 37,000 years before the original Star Wars film, and nearly 12,000+ years before any other published story. Why is almost nothing different? The other issue that some might have (though not me so much) was that some of the concepts and ideas introduced completely conflicted with other Star Wars media that are set later on. But, given the fact that there are certain stories people, including myself, often pretend didn't happen in-universe (such as the prequels and most of the chronologically later books, in my case, for instance), this is not insurmountable. It's just if this is a major problem for someone, it may bother them. Despite these two (minor) issues, this was a fun story that takes us back to the earliest periods of the galaxy far, far away. I quite enjoyed this one, and can't wait for the second volume to come out.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A good tale in a galaxy far, far awayBy Daniel JohannsenGoing as far back in the Star Wars timeline as he can, John Ostrander tells us of the origins of the Jedi and the Sith, and the conflict on the planet of Tython between the light side and the dark side. It introduces us to the Rakatan's Infinite Empire, a name that may spark memories in fans of the Knights of the Old Republic video game series, and shows us their power at the height of their Empire. John Ostrander does a good job of bringing the art to life; the characters look as you would expect Star Wars characters to look, and the environments are gorgeous. Unfortunately, the dialogue is very lacking and suffers from the limitations of the format. Still, the story remains good and tells you a lot about the very ancient societies in Star Wars. For a fan of the Star Wars universe, this is a must-have.

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. VERY COOL!By DannyDLately I've been reading a few Star Wars books a month as I'm a huge fanboy and collector. I just started to really enjoy books on my new Kindle HD Fire for convenience and read my last paper Star Wars book the other day. After enjoying the Bane trilogy, Knight Errant, Old Republic Revan, etc, I've grown a fondness for Star Wars storylines far down the timeline before the film's. Previously I mostly read the post ROTJ books. Path of the Jedi interested me as it is set so long even before the ancient Old Republic

tales. As a comic geek, I was excited for path of the Jedi. Artwork was amazing, writing pretty good , and an interesting premise. It was really cool to read an origin of Jedi story that was very far removed from most familiar star wars features.

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