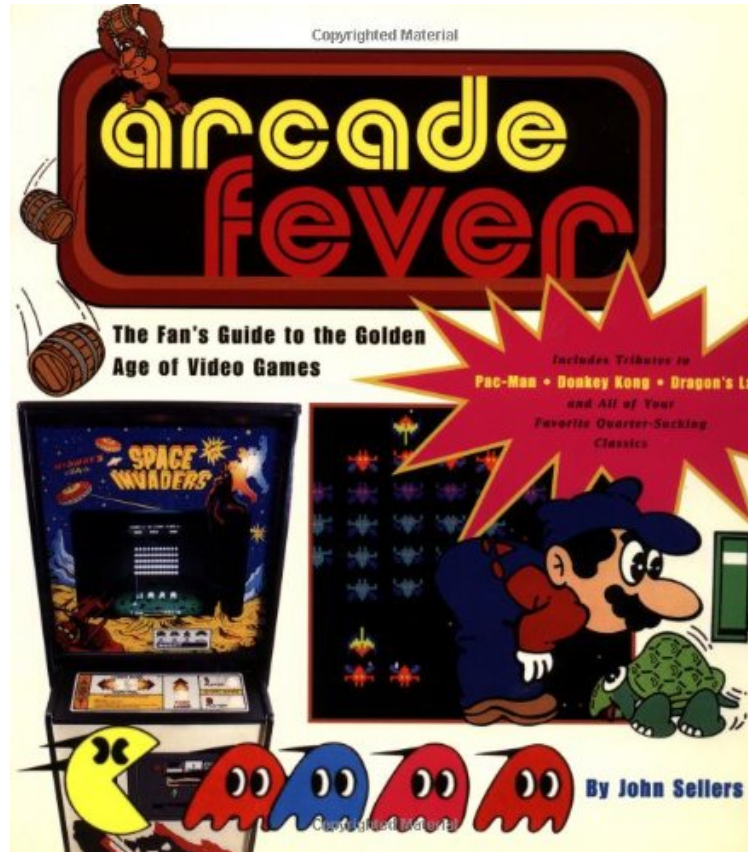




Arcade Fever The Fan's Guide To The Golden Age Of Video Games

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John Sellers : Arcade Fever The Fan's Guide To The Golden Age Of Video Games before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Arcade Fever The Fan's Guide To The Golden Age Of Video Games:

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Do you have "Arcade Fever"?By Ashley KnowlesI went into this book thinking to myself "it's just a coffee table book with some fun facts in it" but after reading it I found it to be full of fond memories of my video game induced youth.The book does contain some fun facts that I found to be enjoyable and made me relive my memories past. This book is in color and highlights some of the games that I remember spending my entire allowance on [Burgertime, Tapper, and Donkey Kong Junior].Just about any arcade game that that was a part of your life from the 80's is mentioned in here, and if you are into video games you will find yourself reading more and more to find out more about the other video games that you might have missed while you were too busy pumping quarters in your local Pac-Man machine.This book is not really in depth as I would have liked it to be, but it is definitely worthy of a good read and a great way to kill some time.My only complaint is that I wish that Mr. Sellers had included some more of those great 80's games that stole my quarters [Bump n' Jump and Night Driver were not featured while games like Death Race I and II and Chiller only got mentioned solely for their violent content and controversy].Other than that, if you loved to spend your time at the arcade, whether you were a child, teen, or adult,

Mr. Sellers book is worth the price for the memories alone. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars
By Rosiemy 12 year old son really enjoyed this book
1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Arcade fever = the good old days of video games
By Suzi in Seattle I didn't realize how many memories of old video games I had! I bought this book for my husband's birthday as more of a "filler" present than a serious gift. It turned out to be his favorite! He's not a huge reader but he reads some of this book every day. He's read a lot of it out loud to me it seems good. There are some great pictures in it, too! He's totally serious about his 80's video games this book gives him lots of little facts he didn't know before stirs up a million good memories. It's written in a more casual way that's easy pleasant to follow.

Arcade Fever is a full-color illustrated history of video arcade games, with tributes to more than 50 classic games like Pong, Space Invaders, Pac Man, Q-Bert, Frogger, and TRON. Learn which game caused a yen shortage in Japan -- and which games inspired breakfast cereals, Saturday-morning cartoons, episodes of Seinfeld, and #1 pop-music singles. Meet the visionary musicians, writers, animators, cabinet artists, and other unsung heroes of the video game industry. The perfect gift for anyone who spent their childhood in video arcades, Arcade Fever is a pop-culture nostalgia trip you won't want to miss! John Sellers writes for Entertainment Weekly, Premiere, TV Guide, and other national magazines. He is also the author of Pop Culture Aptitude Test: Rad, 80s Version. He was the World Champion of Donkey Kong in 1983 and appeared on the television show "That's Incredible!"

--[T]his illustrated history of the arcade's glory days will push any game geek's thrust button... -- Entertainment Weekly, August 17, 2001--after you're a few pages into this fond tribute, suddenly vast expanses of your youth will come back into focus. -- Time Out New York, August 16, 2001--magnificently researched, [and written] with an enthusiasm that bubbles out through the pages like so many dangling pairs of cherries. -- Philadelphia Weekly, August 22, 2001
From the Publisher Do you remember the difference between playing singles and doubles? Have you mastered the delicate art of hyperspace? Can you say joystick in polite conversation without blushing? If you've answered yes to any of these questions, then Arcade Fever is the book for you--the world's first illustrated tribute to Asteroids, Ms. Pac-Man, Galaga, Q*Bert, Gauntlet and many more of the mind-blowing games you played in your youth. You want to reminisce about the coolest Atari cartridges, the silliest-named arcade oddities, and the funkier bass riff ever used in a video game? You want interviews with early arcade heroes like Atari founder Nolan Bushnell, Robotron designer Eugene Jarvis and Pac-Man Fever composers Buckner + Garcia? You want to look at revealing pictures of Dragons Lair hottie Princess Daphne? It's all in Arcade Fever, an infectious celebration of 70s and 80s arcade culture.
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