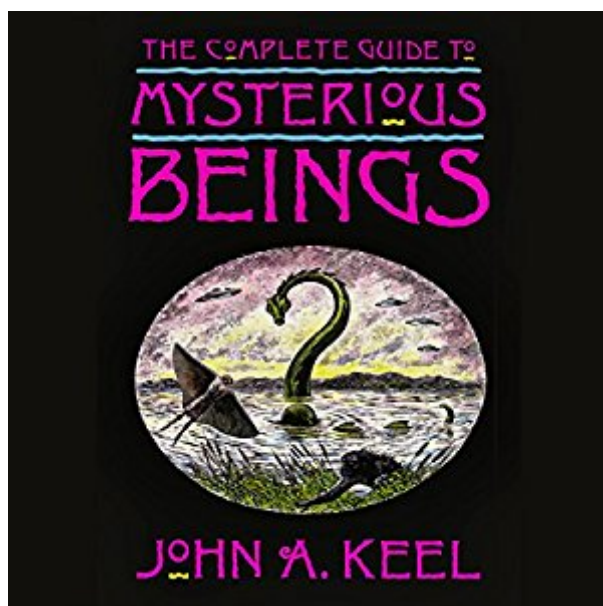


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The Complete Guide To Mysterious Beings



Synopsis

The Complete Guide to Mysterious Beings is a comprehensive encyclopedia of the unexplained, with incredible eyewitness accounts of strange creatures from around the globe, including: Angels and demons Dinosaurs that still roam the earth Bigfoot, Yeti, Sasquatch, and other hairy monsters The Loch Ness Monster, the Silver Lake Sea Serpent, and other water creatures Dragons Flying phantoms, man-birds, and other winged humanoids Flying snakes and other "animals" Carnivorous plants from outer space Unidentified flying objects (UFOs) and submarine objects (USOs) Aliens, bedroom invaders, and cattle rustlers from the skies Green men, leprechauns, fairies, and other "little people" Vampires and werewolves From the upper Nile to the lower Ganges, from the roof of the world in Tibet to remote hamlets in West Virginia, John A. Keel has long been on the trail of weird creatures and strange phenomena. He has lived in New York, Hollywood, New Orleans, Paris, Baghdad, Cairo, Calcutta, and a number of exotic places in between, and is an acknowledged expert on the world of the paranormal. No one alive is better qualified to report on and interpret the fantastic evidence gathered in this book. A syndicated columnist, John Keel's writings have appeared throughout the world for Playboy, FATE, SAGA, High Times, and other popular magazines, and he has appeared on television shows such as the Tonight Show, David Letterman, and What's My Line. The film based on his book, The Mothman Prophecies, starring Richard Gere and Laura Linney, has become a cult classic.

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Customer Reviews

So much better than I was expecting! Interesting and informative. Had stuff that I never knew about.

Good stuff!

If you like mysterious creatures from around the world you will love this book

I found Keel's work here to be quite enjoyable. As the title suggests, this novel is a compendium of a vast variety of topics across the broad spectrum of the paranormal. On the positive side, I found his work very readable. It covers a wide variety of material, so chances are you will hit upon something new. The rather terse nature of the writing kept it from getting bogged down in any one topic. I think that the positive sides above can also be downsides, depending on what you're expecting from the book. First, this is one of those works that attempts to cover a very broad spectrum of material. As such, each individual topic is covered in a fairly brief and shallow manner. Don't look to this book for particular detail on any one topic...there are other books which do a much better job of specializing on each. Most accounts of a sighting or incident cover little more than a sentence, or the occasional paragraph. Accounts are included in bulk but in brief, to give credibility to a topic by mass, rather than to give detail. Also, I agree with previous reviewers that Keel is far from objective in his writing. He certainly offers his own (sometimes slightly outlandish) explanations for events and creatures. Those who would be offended by such a writing style may have issues here. Personally, I have no problem taking opinions with a grain of salt, and forming my own conclusions from the factual material (which is by far the majority of the text). I did not find Keel's opinions overbearing, and the vast remainder is enjoyable and factual. In brief, the book is good, and I'd recommend it. It's best suited for those looking for a tour of the broader spectrum of the paranormal: The material is often brief and jumpy, but detail is not the object of this title. What it lacks in focus, it makes up for in variety.

No one wants to believe in monsters. We just do. On an almost instinctive level. We have an enduring fascination with them right into the 21st century. Every person on earth knows what a monster is. Sometimes monsters are people. Sometimes monsters are animals. Mostly monsters are imagination. But every once in while, monsters are monsters. Like Ghosts, the belief in monstrous entities has remained constant since the dawn of history in all parts of the world. Each year, unsuspecting people with no reason to fabricate tall-tales report seeing (and sometimes being injured by) grotesque looking monsters. We hear about the occasional Bigfoot or lake-monster, but we rarely hear much about the weirder stuff like: lizardmen and goatmen. John Keel once again uses his casual flare to report on disturbing patterns behind monster sightings. He unearths some very

obscure and terrifying monsters accounts in this book. Although presented in a somewhat lighthearted manner, the research is chilling and not something I would recommend before bedtime.

I bought my first copy of this book back in 1970 when it was first published under the title "Strange Creatures From Time and Space". Back then, someone had borrowed it from me, and I never got it back. This is a great book, which made me a John Keel fan for life. I love all his books.

Excellent, Thank You.

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Interesting, but not great!

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