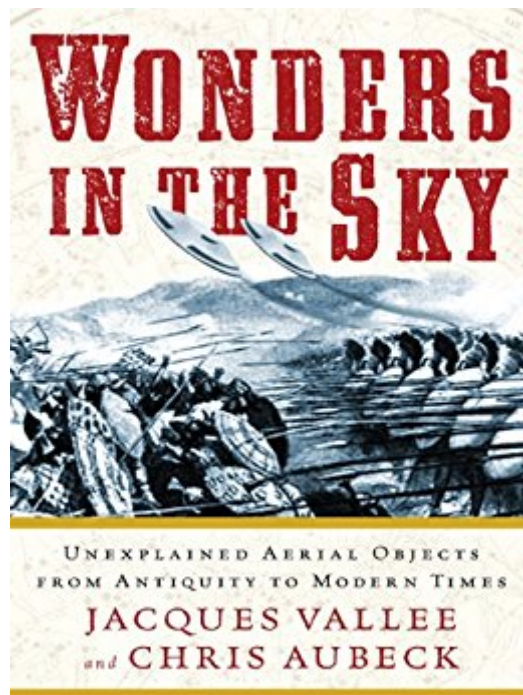




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Wonders In The Sky: Unexplained Aerial Objects From Antiquity To Modern Times



Synopsis

One of the most ambitious works of paranormal investigation of our time, here is an unprecedented compendium of pre-twentieth-century UFO accounts, written with rigor and color by two of today's leading investigators of unexplained phenomena. In the past century, individuals, newspapers, and military agencies have recorded thousands of UFO incidents, giving rise to much speculation about flying saucers, visitors from other planets, and alien abductions. Yet the extraterrestrial phenomenon did not begin in the present era. Far from it. The authors of *Wonders in the Sky* reveal a thread of vividly rendered-and sometimes strikingly similar- reports of mysterious aerial phenomena from antiquity through the modern age. These accounts often share definite physical features- such as the heat felt and described by witnesses-that have not changed much over the centuries. Indeed, such similarities between ancient and modern sightings are the rule rather than the exception. In *Wonders in the Sky*, respected researchers Jacques Vallee and Chris Aubeck examine more than 500 selected reports of sightings from biblical-age antiquity through the year 1879-the point at which the Industrial Revolution deeply changed the nature of human society, and the skies began to open to airplanes, dirigibles, rockets, and other opportunities for misinterpretation represented by military prototypes. Using vivid and engaging case studies, and more than seventy-five illustrations, they reveal that unidentified flying objects have had a major impact not only on popular culture but on our history, on our religion, and on the models of the world humanity has formed from deepest antiquity. Sure to become a classic among UFO enthusiasts and other followers of unexplained phenomena, *Wonders in the Sky* is the most ambitious, broad-reaching, and intelligent analysis ever written on premodern aerial mysteries.

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Customer Reviews

When I first opened this book and saw that it was filled with 500 short blurbs, I was disappointed--I like the long haul. But as I started reading the blurbs, I could not stop. The blurbs are anywhere from a few lines to several pages, but each one presents a fascinating glimpse into the past and how otherworldly "prodigies" were perceived. Also engrossing--some of the encounters are just so bizarre, and some of them are by renowned astronomers and other well-known famous people. And yes, a lot of them coincide with modern day UFO sightings. Good read.

Wonders in the Sky is the kind of book that will appeal to everyone, but especially to UFO enthusiasts, lovers of the weird, and paranormal researchers. It's the kind of book that you want on your shelf and that you want to gift to others. Wonders is fascinating, terrifying, and quite mind-boggling. The plethora of odd encounters and sightings throughout history will have you scratching your head. This book is well-formatted, well-written, and easy to browse by time period. Although, if I were you, I'd buy a hundred new bookmarks so that you can keep track of the most significant events in history. Something weird is going on. No denying that. This book confirms it well. Even if you accept a small portion of these sightings, you've got a weird new paradigm to accept. Highly recommended! Also you might want to check out other works on Aliens by Vallee, Richard Dolan, Jim Marrs, Nick Redfern, John Mack--to name a few. :)

"Wonders In The Sky" lists an amazing array of reports of aerial peculiarities beginning with 9 B.C.! Reading the reports of ordinary people, describing in common language what incredible sights they perceived over their heads is just mind-boggling. Modern UFOs reported today are a different variety from the "chariots" and "ships" and "armies on horseback" reported in ancient times. It seems that whoever is responsible for producing these sky effects has updated the images to keep

current with whatever's in fashion down below. Some of the reports relate to objects witnessed spreading a "mist" over populated areas, only to have plagues & diseases come on the heels of that "seeding". This book is sprinkled with nearly 70 illustrations & works of art purportedly of objects spied in the skies.

Fascinating and informative listing of many unusual aerial phenomena from around the world, that happened before Roswell and the modern UFO era began. Sightings by Columbus and many famous and lesser known people, in every part of the globe. A 'must read' for anyone seriously interested in the long history of the UFO experience and its many recorded observations through time.

Vallee is the one UFO researcher with the most open mind and best scientific methods. His earlier three-part trilogy (Dimensions, Confrontations, Revelations) is in my opinion best stuff ever written about the UFO- phenomena. Vallee isn't your iconic UFO- nut, but a researcher who has set no premises for himself. Wonders in the Sky is a collection of what the authors see as the most important UFO sightings since antiquity. The book really is just that: sighting reports collected into a book. It really isn't very interesting reading per se, it's mostly useful for people who are seriously interested in UFO's as a good quality archive of the most prominent cases and sightings, as well as many less known ones from hundreds and hundreds of years ago. So if you just want a good read I really would recommend that you start with one of those Vallee's earlier books first. Come back to this one after the phenomena has caught your mind enough that you want to keep a good reference book handy in your own bookshelf.

An interesting book. It recounts many strange aerial sightings since antiquity. While I find this stimulating, there are some obvious shortcomings in the book. First, it presents some very dramatic examples, like the 1561 Nuremberg incident, utterly without any context or further research, as if there were none. That's simply not the case. Second, it claims to have excluded anything with a plausible natural explanation, yet give examples of obvious meteorological phenomena. Last, and I think worst, it includes "visitations" by visionary or supernatural beings, clearly comparing them to modern abduction stories. While Vallee has made it clear he does not believe alien abductions are actual physical events, and often the product of misguided or agenda driven "hypnotherapists" who specialize in these things, I feel that by including them at all simply continues to muddy up the waters; and modern ufology is a very very muddy puddle as it is. Nevertheless, it is an interesting

book, with some intriguing, puzzling and down right head scratching reports. So, despite my criticisms, I do recommend it.

I chose five stars for a number of good reasons. The author carefully chose unexplained documented aerial phenomenon. He weeded out all the ones that may be hoaxes or garbage. There are many reports. The accounts go waaay back. When you read them, it really makes you wonder what they saw! Very interesting stuff. In some cases whole towns saw stuff. Some stories sound like battles between some type of flying craft. People definitely have been viewing ufo's for many years. In some reports, beings spoke to the people! If you have an interest in UFO's this is one for your collection. Each observation report has reference symbols with the title that indicate the nature of each account. They are 1. Unidentified aerial light, 2. Unidentified aerial object, 3. Abduction, 4. Phenomenon with physical evidence, 5. Entity (alone), 6. Entity associated with and aerial phenomenon, and communication.

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