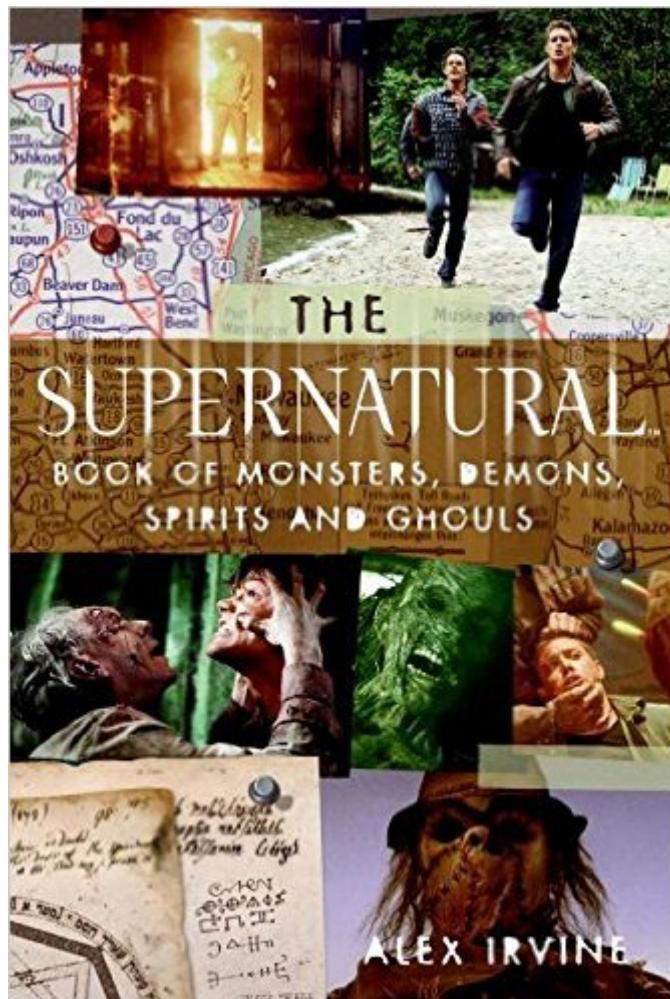


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# The "Supernatural" Book Of Monsters, Spirits, Demons, And Ghouls



## **Synopsis**

Twenty-three years ago, Sam and Dean Winchester lost their mother to a demonic supernatural force. Following the tragedy, their father, John, set out to teach his boys everything about the paranormal evil that lives in the dark corners and on the back roads of America . . . and how to kill it. Fans of the blockbuster television phenomenon can rejoice! A one-of-a-kind compilation of all of Sam and Dean's demon-busting knowledge, *The Supernatural Book of Monsters, Spirits, Demons, and Ghouls* contains illustrations and detailed descriptions that catalogue the more than two dozen otherworldly enemies that most people believe exist only in folklore, superstition, and nightmares: vampires, ghosts, revenants, reapers, and even bloody clowns. You'll find within these pages Sam and Dean's notes, observations, and memories interwoven with sections of John Winchester's invaluable journal, making this book the perfect companion to every thrilling episodeâ "and an essential weapon in the secret war against the hidden creatures of the darkness!

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## **Customer Reviews**

This book is not just for those who are fans of the CW show *Supernatural*. Eric Kripke, creator of the show, prides himself on the validity of the legends and myths he uses in his show. This book gives background information about things encountered by the Winchesters with a few new critters added in. The text uses Sam and Dean's voices for each section and fans of the show can easily pick out which Winchester is speaking each time. This book is a must for those who want to learn more about urban legends and things that roam the night.

Although this book had the potential to be a very interesting guide to all the monsters faced on Supernatural, the author rather squandered this potential through choosing to include a list of monsters that was largely arbitrary and only loosely related to the show itself, although all the legends did make for some interesting reading. What was painfully bad about this whole thing, though, was the writing itself. The book attempts a first-person plural perspective, which I had never seen before in a published work and for very good reason: it is impossible to tell who is speaking and when and where, and creates a sort of bizarre mental image of the two main characters standing hypnotized and chanting out the narration in unison, except when one or the other takes a break to talk in the third person. The writing was so distractingly bad that I can't even say for sure how good the completion of the book was, because I couldn't even follow what it was saying enough to make it all the way through.

I decided to buy this book as a go-along with watching the show, which I'd started from the beginning for the first time two months ago. This book is an excellently written guide to read along with the show, and will give you even more information than what is given in the show. It only covers the first few seasons, so anything the boys didn't know about by then isn't going to be found in this book. I'd definitely recommend this to anyone who loves to get the extra scoop on their favorite shows, and especially to anyone just getting into Supernatural.

These books all fill in the very complex life of these two characters- I find that the more I read about them the more I understand and empathize with them- I know they are just characters, but like any good book or series, you get lost in the narrative and it becomes more of a part of your "me time" - a way of escaping into that "world" of the unknown- Good reads

I have read several like this one and found this one to be a great source on Supernatural. Easy reading with a touch of humor thrown in. As I read I could just imagine hearing Sam and Dean Winchester giving voice to the reading. To say I am a fan of Supernatural is an understatement. But that did not influence my review, because I read the whole thing including both appendices in this book. The appendices were the toughest part to read as they were lists of all kinds of monsters and demons, but only because of the names in some cases. If you are a fan of Supernatural then read this book, because I think you will enjoy it.

Anyone who is any sort of fan of the show Supernatural will like what this book has to say, but it

really isn't as great as I had heard. Most of what they talk about are common things from the show, like salt and silver and such, and they don't even list everything the show has mentioned (note that this book only goes through about half of season 2). It's fun to have and to read, but not very useful as a companion to the series (and I STILL don't know what the heck a chupacabra is! >.

As an avid fan of Supernatural, I bought this book. It is a nice piece of TV reference material. The idea of this book is wonderful but I really missed a Bibliography and an Index. Too bad it is not that type of reference work. This writer has done a great amount of studying. I had never heard of him so looked him up. He is basically a sci-fi writer, my favorite venue when I read fiction. I think now I will be reading some of his other work.

My daughter is an avid SuperNatural fan, this was a stocking stuffer for her - she loved it! She feels it is very informative and is jam-packed with detailed information on demons, spirits, etc. She would recommend this book for any true SuperNatural fan.

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