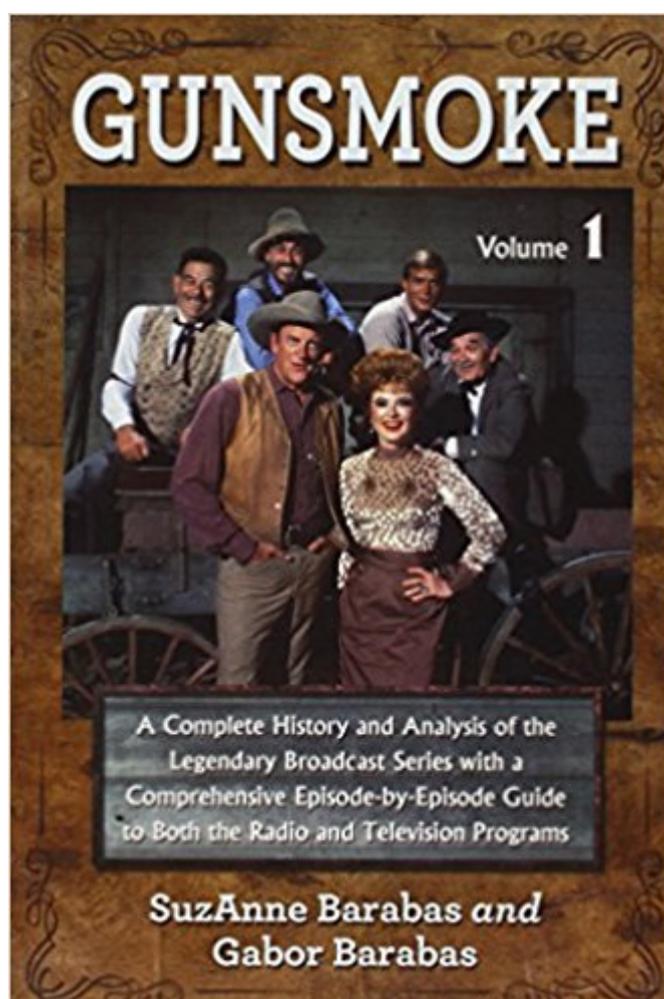


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My mother is an avid GS fan! She now lives in a nursing home and watches Gunsmoke and Bonanza religiously! She talks about all aspects of the show and wondered how it all started and about the actors that were in different episodes. So, when her birthday rolled around, I got these books. It's a two volume set and she loves it! I think for a GS fan, it's loaded with info on the series, episodes, actors, etc. It has so much that the average person may not know.

I am a huge Gunsmoke fan. Love James Arness so I bought this to add to my Gunsmoke collection. I learned some things about the show that I didn't know, like James and Milburn didn't get along at

first. Hard to imagine. I'm glad they included all the guest stars. I like watching it and going oh that's so and so who played on such and such. It's fun to see how they looked back then and how they look later on.

There is more information in these volumes than I can absorb! I listened to Gunsmoke on the radio and watched it religiously on TV; loved both and these volumes just fortified my belief in the quality and relevance of the shows. How could any Gunsmoke fan not appreciate what the authors have done here.

Lists the guest actors along with the parts they played. Also added additional information about either the actor or the other parts they played. The focus is all about the stars and interviews they gave as well as the directors. I wish there was more "backstage" info, like explaining how the sets were changed, about the stable and care of horses, and the props used were selected and stored. How the design of the street was decided, and how it was updated and refreshed after each show. How the filming was done. I would have like to read more about the crew behind the scenes. I would have expected to hear about the stunt doubles and how they worked with the cast there is no interview with them. Even how the parts were caste would be interesting like what was the "look" they were going for.

This is a great set for anyone hooked on the TV show. Good for reference and little known facts about the cast. Gives great insight into the making of the TV series in the early 60's. We always refer to these books while we watch Gunsmoke. If you love Festus, Kitty and Matt, buy these books!

It has so much information about the show and the actors behind it. Any person who loves Gunsmoke would love this set of books!

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