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Heir to the Empire was Timothy Zahn first Star Wars novel (though not his first work), and started the Expanded Universe off with a rollicking ride of a real Star Wars story. A story that, if it could have been filmed in the 90s, might have sent the Star Wars universe in a very different direction.

Description[edit] Heir to the Empire is part of the Star Wars expanded universe , and takes place five years after the events of Return of the Jedi. The Rebel Alliance has destroyed the Death Star , defeated Darth Vader and Emperor Palpatine , and driven out the remnants of the old Imperial Starfleet to a distant corner of the galaxy. Princess Leia and Han Solo are married and expecting twins. Luke Skywalker has become the first in a long-awaited new line of Jedi Knights. Thousands of light years away, Grand Admiral Thrawn , the last of the 12 Grand Admirals, has taken command of the shattered Imperial Fleet, readied it for war, and pointed it at the fragile heart of the New Republic. Thrawn is searching for a Dark Jedi and is succeeding in restoring the Empire. Plot[edit] Grand Admiral Thrawn , the new supreme commander of the remaining Imperial forces, conducts a successful information raid on the Obroa-skai system, and easily defeats a retaliatory strike. Leia, three months pregnant with twins, is sent on a diplomatic mission to Bimmisaari, where a kidnap squad of Noghri try to capture her and Luke, but without success. Han decides to suspend the negotiations and return to Coruscant. Meanwhile, Thrawn launches a series of hit-and-run attacks into New Republic territory. Han and Lando discuss plans to visit Talon Karrde as part of the smuggler recruitment operation. After taking Luke aboard, Karrde neutralizes him with ysalamiri and takes him back to Myrkr as a prisoner, though he is undecided whether to sell Luke to the Empire, or back to the New Republic. Luke escapes his cell and flies off in a ship, with Mara in pursuit. Despite knowing of the bounties placed by the Empire on Luke, Han and Lando, Karrde feels bound by rules of hospitality to keep their presence a secret. Mara corners Luke in the Myrkr forest, while his powers are neutralized by the ysalamiri. She reveals that she used to be an undercover agent of the Emperor, who lost everything when Luke killed him at Endor , and wants to kill Luke in revenge, even though she needs him alive to help evade the Imperials. Posing as a bounty hunter , Luke surrenders Mara to an Imperial patrol that brings them all to the Myrkr spaceport. Karrde, no longer able to remain neutral, evacuates his base. On Kashyyyk, Leia is attacked by another Noghri kidnapping team. She kills all but one of the commandos with her lightsaber , but the last manages to seize her, before mysteriously letting her go and letting himself be captured. The commando, Khabarakh, explains that he recognized her by scent as the daughter of Darth Vader , whom the Noghri revere as the savior of their world. The Falcon arrives in the middle of the battle. Remembering how the Empire stole the mole miners, Lando activates them all by remote control, causing them to burrow even deeper into the hulls, killing the boarding parties and disabling most or all of the captured ships. Believing that the sudden reversal is merely a temporary setback, and their ultimate victory is assured, Thrawn orders a retreat. As Han and Luke rest after the battle, Leia calls from Coruscant to tell them that Admiral Ackbar has been arrested on charges of treason.

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Chapter 3 : - Heir to the Empire (Star Wars: The Thrawn Trilogy, Vol. 1) by Timothy Zahn

Heir to the Empire is a true sequel to the original trilogy and has all of the feel of the Star Wars universe while giving the audience a new story with new characters and interesting political intrigue.

Princess Leia and Han Solo are married and expecting Jedi twins. And Luke Skywalker has become the first in a long-awaited line of Jedi Knights. For this dark warrior has made two vital discoveries that could destroy everything the courageous men and women of the Rebel Alliance fought so hard to build. As Heir to the Empire begins, the New Republic has been engaged in a long campaign to mop up the remnants of the once-mighty Empire. His name is Thrawn, and his tactical and intellectual gifts are so great that the racist and sexist Palpatine had promoted him to be the only non-human to wear the white uniform of Grand Admiral. Now, with a small but powerful Imperial fleet at his command, the mysterious Grand Admiral believes he holds the key to the undoing of the New Republic and the restoration of the Empire. The pace of the book is brisk and the action sequences are so well done that one can swear they are cinematic. Although there are many Star Wars authors whose novels are spellbinding, Zahn stands head and shoulders above the crowd. Consider the ebook carefully By John on Sep 16, For those who are considering the Kindle version, take a moment to think about the mechanics of reading it. The hardcover version has the annotations in the margins of the pages, meaning you can easily read, shift your eyes over to the notes and continue reading. The ebook has the notes all the way in the back. A blast from the past. By Shane - Afr on Sep 06, On September 6th, Star Wars fans were once again thrust into the heavens as Heir to the Empire blasted its way onto shelves and into the hearts of fans worldwide. With compelling characters and outstanding storytelling, author Timothy Zahn introduced readers to a new breed of characters that would make a tremendous impact for decades to come. From page one the reader is taken back to the events shortly after the explosive conclusion to Episode VI as the Rebellion continues its long struggle against the Empire. Now, with the Emperor dead and gone, the Rebellion begins to consolidate its newly earned political and military power across a galaxy littered with the remains of the Galactic Empires naval armament. However, those in the Imperial navy have no intention to sit and wait for the Rebel reapers to call their names, instead they put in motion their own plans and in so doing introduce the reader to one of the best characters to ever hunt down rebel scum, Grand Admiral Thrawn. With blue skin and red eyes there is no doubt that Thrawn fits the physical appearance of a villain however, Thrawn recreates the average evil-doer persona with a mind that can only be described as genius. With an incredible talent for figuring out his enemies weaknesses through their artistic works, Thrawn uses his wisdom to quickly gain the rank of Grand Admiral. An achievement not one non-human has ever done before within the racist organization that Emperor Palpatine created. Aided by an accomplished yet sometimes naive Captain, Gilad Pellaeon, Grand Admiral Thrawn uses the Imperial Star Destroyer Chimaera to hunt down a relatively unknown creature called a ysalamiri. This species, that looks familiar to a furry lizard, has the ability to create a Force suppressing bubble around itself that is designed to fend off Force sensitive predators. Tasked with the guardianship of the Imperial storehouse at Mount Tantiss, Jorus, is recruited by Thrawn to use a rare and powerful Force power known as Battle Meditation, a Force power that is able to aid and control the actions of battle troops. Meanwhile, Han and Lando plan a visit to a smuggler named Talon Karrde in the hopes of acquiring cargo ships to aid them. Talon Karrde, a smuggler and information broker, played both sides of galactic politics not wanting to pick either side and seeing the profitability of staying neutral. Karrde using a heavily armed and armored ship called the Wild Karrde and hiring the aid of a hand full of capable and deadly coworkers like Dravis, a graduate of the Imperial Academy; Fynn Torve, a former associate of Han Solo that was known for his piloting skills; Aves, a chief aide and communications officer to Karrde; Zakarisz Ghent, a slicer known for being absent minded and the beautiful but deadly Mara Jade. Still loyal to her fallen Emperor, Jade is hellbent on destroying the man that killed Palpatine, who she looked to as a father figure. While being held in storage sheds on the planet, Luke escapes and is quickly hunted down by Mara. As the story continues

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politics, war and personal strife continue to unfold and in the end there is no happy ending. We even find out that Admiral Ackbar is arrested on charges of treason. Heir to the Empire sets in stone how Star Wars books should be created. Timothy Zahn using incredible imagination and hard work produced a storyline that has stood the test of time and has single handily made the Expanded Universe what it is today. There are few other authors whose work is so eagerly anticipated and no other has created the fanfare that he and his work has. The actual 20th anniversary issue gives far more than the original installment. Included in the new issue is a ton of added notes by the author himself, telling snip-its of inside thoughts to the story. Also a nice feature is the secondary cover behind the new silver anniversary edition. Plus, a short story for all the Thrawn fans wraps up the whole package in explosive form. For those who are true Zahn fans I suggest looking him up on Facebook, I have had a chance to talk to him about several pieces of his work and he has always been kind and generous to his fans whom post. All Feedback is Appreciated. Thanks and Good Reading. Go ahead, give it a shot. Read book 1, enjoy. Go to book 2, repeat. One of the first and definitely one of the best and it still holds up incredibly well to this day with very few issues regarding canon on top of being such a great read. My favorite aspect of this anniversary edition is probably the annotations done by Zahn, written in the margins of the book, exploring key concepts, characters or just noting on how to pronounce names. It really adds a new layer of depth to the novel and helps get inside of his head during and after his writing process. These alone are worth the purchase price to fans of the book who may have read this before. On top of that we get a forward from Lucas Licensing, an introduction by Zahn, both recapping the history of this novel and its beginnings. And lastly the a novella from Zahn is included titled "Crisis of Faith", which you may want to read after you read his latest book "Choices of One". It gives a new look into Grand Admiral Thrawn that should not be missed. This is a fantastic package for the price and a must-own for any fans of the "Thrawn Trilogy" as it is commonly referred as. Great fun By James Wilkinson on May 13, A very entertaining, action-packed first volume in a trilogy that retains the values of the films. The Rebel Alliance has since become the New Republic and is struggling to form a galactic government with the planet Coruscant as its center. However, the honeymoon period is about to be cut short, when a vicious tactical genius aided by a powerful Jedi Master take over the remnants of the Empire and set out to destroy the fledgling New Republic. The characters that we know and love have grown in stature but have not lost their capacity to be in the center of things. Periphery characters such as Wedge and Lando Calrissian are fleshed out as well. New characters are also introduced. A new race of gray-skinned aliens called the Noghri, who serve the Empire as lethal commandos, are also along for the ride. The best of these characters though is the red-eyed, blue-skinned, white-uniformed Grand Admiral Thrawn; a deliciously brilliant tactical genius, dangerous and decisive, and with such a degree of class, charm and intelligence that its impossible not to warm to the guy. He is also refreshingly grey in a universe that was depicted in the films as black and white until that revelation at the end of the middle film. He has a thirst for power, and does not suffer fools, but neither does he have the evil capriciousness that led Darth Vader to summarily execute those men who failed him. He is a realistic military commander, who gets the best out of his available resources but does not waste them foolishly. The fact that Zahn meant to have him this way does not soften the blow either. I felt compelled to read on if only for the intensely satisfying moment when this guy would meet his doom. Its still true to the films though, with space battles, fire fights and a healthy dose of stormtroopers, and the story itself is so full of twists and turns that it is a guaranteed page-turner. Kindle Edition review By Socraticmethod on Sep 26, The book is amazing and I suggest looking at reviews of the original paperback for insights on the book. While the hardcover has the notes by Timothy Zahn in the margins, this Kindle edition has hyperlinks which you have to scroll over and click on, which take you to a section in the back of the book with all the notations. This authorized continuation to the Star Wars saga takes place five years after Return of the Jedi. Thrawn is the ultimate villain. He shows incredible poise and patience where others have failed in the past. All of the familiar characters are back along with some incredible new ones, who fit perfectly into this action-packed book. Zahn loads the book with incredible detail, and sets beautifully-described backgrounds for the great storyline. The

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character development is superb, and he maintains good descriptive language in this excellent book of intrigue and mystery. The classic good vs. You cannot go wrong with this book. By Taking A Rest on Nov 06, Perhaps you miss Chewbacca, or the earlier years when Star Wars seemed a bit simpler, and no one felt the need to start pruning central and favorite characters, in order to make "Science Fiction" more realistic. Or maybe you need to brush up on which Grand Admiral was causing trouble for planets after studying with his glowing red eyes their art, as a prelude to their destruction. And do you recall which sessile tree-dwelling creatures made their debut or the Planet that was their home, or perhaps the smuggler who also resided there. I just wanted to go back to where the Star wars experience continued, to the summer of , and the first trilogy written by Timothy Zahn. I wanted to see how well this volume held up after almost a decade, and dozens upon dozens of books, and one prequel later. The Star Wars Universe described some 9 years ago for readers, that documented events only 5 years after Episode VI, really is a very different place. The cast of players is dramatically fewer, and I gained even more appreciation for just how complex the latest novels have become. I also suggest that for those who became fans of the written adventures later on in their development, that they would gain a much better grounding by reading these first books that take place after the middle cinematic trilogy. Many of the players in this first book continue on to the most recent "Balance Point" by Kathy Tyers. And others, who also remain, have evolved so far as to be unrecognizable, if you knowledge of them is limited to the more recent books. I know there are fans out there that have never forgotten a single detail of any adventure. I wish I could claim such an accurate memory. This book sat on a shelf for 9 years, and while the read was very different, it was still very enjoyable. The only element that has diminished is that when this book first arrived, it was the first fresh experience for all who had been with the series since , and for those who had never seen the films. Diminished may be too strong a word, for Mr. Zahn is one of the masters of the Star Wars history, and excellent writing rarely degrades with time. So get it, or read again what you may have owned for a decade. Travel back to Mount Tantiss, and the figure that calls it home, and your subsequent reads will be improved. Second, is that Marc Thompson is bringing his superb reading talents and smooth voice to this reading. Third, the bonus material included at the end far exceeds my original expectations with the author giving insight to his creation. JUST as good--if not a little better--than it was 20 years ago. By Jeff Edwards on Sep 13, This was the novel which seriously lit a match underneath the base of Star Wars fans eager for more from that galaxy far, far away. Let me explain what that means to me: Star Wars novels are essentially a dime-a-dozen these days, and some are better than others.

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Chapter 4 : Heir to the Empire by Timothy Zahn

Star Wars Heir to the Empire. Star Wars Heir to the Empire is an Excellent book! It keeps you entertained all the way to the end of the book! It has alot of new characters.

Edit Here is the science fiction publishing event of the year: Picking up where the movie trilogy left off, Heir to the Empire reveals the tumultuous events that take place after the most popular series in motion-picture history—masterfully told by Hugo Award -winning author Timothy Zahn. In spring a film called Star Wars was released—and a cultural phenomenon was born. Its epic story, about a young man named Luke Skywalker , whose destiny was to save the galaxy from conquest, caught the imaginations of millions and broke all box-office records. Today Star Wars and its sequels, The Empire Strikes Back and Return of the Jedi , are acknowledged as the most popular series in movie history, and rank among the top ten films of all time. The three Star Wars films form a spectacular saga of bold imaginations and high adventure. But the stories of its characters did not end there. Now for the first time, Lucasfilm Ltd. Leia and Han are married and have shouldered heavy burdens in the government of the new Republic. And Luke Skywalker is the first in a hoped-for new line of Jedi Knights. He has made two vital discoveries that could destroy the fragile new Republic—built with such cost to the Rebel Alliance. The tale that emerges is a towering epic of action, invention, mystery, and spectacle on a galactic scale—in short, a story that is worthy of the name Star Wars. In he completed Angelmass and was published the very same year, afterward worked on the third book in the Star Wars cycle. Timothy Zahn lives in Oregon. Princess Leia and Han Solo are married and expecting Jedi twins. And Luke Skywalker has become the first in a long-awaited line of Jedi Knights. For this dark warrior has made two vital discoveries that could destroy everything the courageous men and women of the Rebel Alliance fought so hard to build. The explosive confrontation that results is a towering epic of action, invention, mystery, and spectacle on a galactic scale—in short, a story worthy of the name Star Wars. Plot summary Over here! It may be missing or require expansion. Please improve the plot summary however you can and remove this notice once finished. Five years after Return of the Jedi , as the New Republic holds a fragile control of the galaxy , a new threat emerges. Having been posted so far away from action, Grand Admiral Thrawn , a cunning and intelligent Chiss commander, begins to gather his Imperial forces for a strategic attack on the New Republic. The chain of events caused major unrest in the New Republic. Meanwhile, Luke Skywalker encounters Talon Karrde and his gang of smugglers. The smugglers capture him but do not turn him over to the Imperials who would be extremely happy to receive him. Then, as if things could not be worse, Grand Admiral Thrawn comes to visit Karrde just as Luke escapes. However, she finds out that she needs Luke if she is to survive. In the end, Karrde wins, but has to evacuate his base. Han and Lando head to the shipyards at Sluis Van after they discover, thanks to Karrde, that Thrawn has plans there. Luke and Leia are both pursued across the galaxy. Princess Leia is repeatedly hunted down by a species of aliens known as the Noghri. In order to keep her safe from more kidnap attempts and to give her a break from all the work in the New Republic, Han sends Leia and Chewbacca to the planet Kashyyyk , where the Wookiees can protect her. But Thrawn deduces the fact. Leia is again hunted down by the Noghri on Kashyyyk, but she has a plan. It is only known as Delta Source. Just as Han and Lando reach the shipyards of Sluis Van, Thrawn launches his planned assault on the location. With a cloaking device, Thrawn is able to give an element of surprise as his mole miners stolen from Lando attempt to bore into the hulls of ships at Sluis Van, and steal them. But it just so happens that Rogue Squadron is at the scene. They fight off the TIE fighters while Han and Lando hatch a brilliant plan to stop the theft of ships. Thrawn is defeated in his first major offensive. The Imperials retreat and order is restored—for now. Bantam vetoed this because it was too similar to Wild Cards , another series published at the time by Bantam. The Roleplaying Game into his work, as well as keep continuity with it. George Lucas would later use this name as the official galactic capital. This book introduced two major species: Both species frequently appeared in the New Jedi Order. The Russian

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cover depicts events and characters from Dark Empire , such as the resurrected Palpatine, rather than characters from Heir to the Empire.

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I fell in love with them twenty-five years ago, and I still love them now. I was born in , which meant Star Wars loomed large in my mind growing up. In the 80s and early 90s, Star Wars books were pretty sparse. Then, in , Zahn wrote Heir to the Empire, using short stories created by West End Games for their Star Wars roleplaying game as background material. I am not surprised that this subsequently exploded into a panoply of books, comics, and videogames that came to be known as the Expanded Universe , because I was hungry for more, and there were lots of kids just like me who would buy whatever came out. And buy it we did. I bought a lot of Star Wars books during the 90s, and then I sold them all to my local used bookstore in the s. The Thrawn Trilogy are the only ones I have ever wanted to read again. I bought all three of the books, and read them over Thanksgiving. They really were as good as I remembered. Maybe even more so. I was a little cautious going in. I had been reminiscing about the Thrawn Trilogy recently, and I had purchased the prequel volume Outbound Flight by Zahn. I was a bit disappointed. Perhaps my literary judgement as a twelve year old was suspect. Well, except the Han Solo Adventures. There were some really choice lines in those books. Thrawn is cunning, ruthless, and His men fear him, but they love him even more. The Grand Admiral returns from mysterious tasks in the Unknown Region to find an rump of the Empire on the run from a newly respectable Rebellion that is trying to style itself the New Republic. In a series of bold strokes, Thrawn revitalizes the routed Imperial Forces and paralyzes the new government in fear and indecision. Jerry Pournelle said that surprise is an event that occurs in the mind of an enemy commander , and what better way to do that than by knowing your enemy better than he knows himself. In the end, only hubris is capable of bringing Thrawn to defeat. Go read them for yourself. Thrawn is also popular with the fans. These three books have been re-issued under the new Legends line, and now Thrawn occupies a more prominent place on the covers. In addition, the Grand Admiral has been added to the on-going Star Wars Rebels TV series, which is the preferred mechanism at present for Disney choosing to re-integrate characters and settings from the former Expanded Universe into the primary storyline. I am glad to see the return of such a great character, and I salute Zahn for creating him in the first place. I think this contrast is what I disliked so much about the Thrawn prequel, Outbound Flight.

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Heir to the Empire is the book that totally brought Star Wars back to life in the years since the final Original Trilogy movie, Return of the Jedi! Even all these years later, the Thrawn Trilogy remains the gold standard by which all Star Wars novels since have been judged.

Chapter 7 : Thrawn Trilogy Book Review " With Both Hands

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Chapter 8 : Star Wars: The Thrawn Trilogy: Heir to the Empire: Volume I (Audio) Book Discussion

The Thrawn trilogy, also known as the Heir to the Empire trilogy, is a series of science fiction novels written by Timothy Zahn. The books are set in the Star Wars expanded universe approximately five years after the events depicted in the

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Star Wars film Return of the Jedi.

Chapter 9 : Heir to the Empire (Star Wars: The Thrawn Trilogy, Vol. 1) by Timothy Zahn ()

*Heir to the Empire is the first installment in Zahn's celebrated Thrawn Trilogy. Its primary strength is c I still remember my excitement when, as a *cough*-year-old, I ran across Heir to the Empire at the bookstore.*