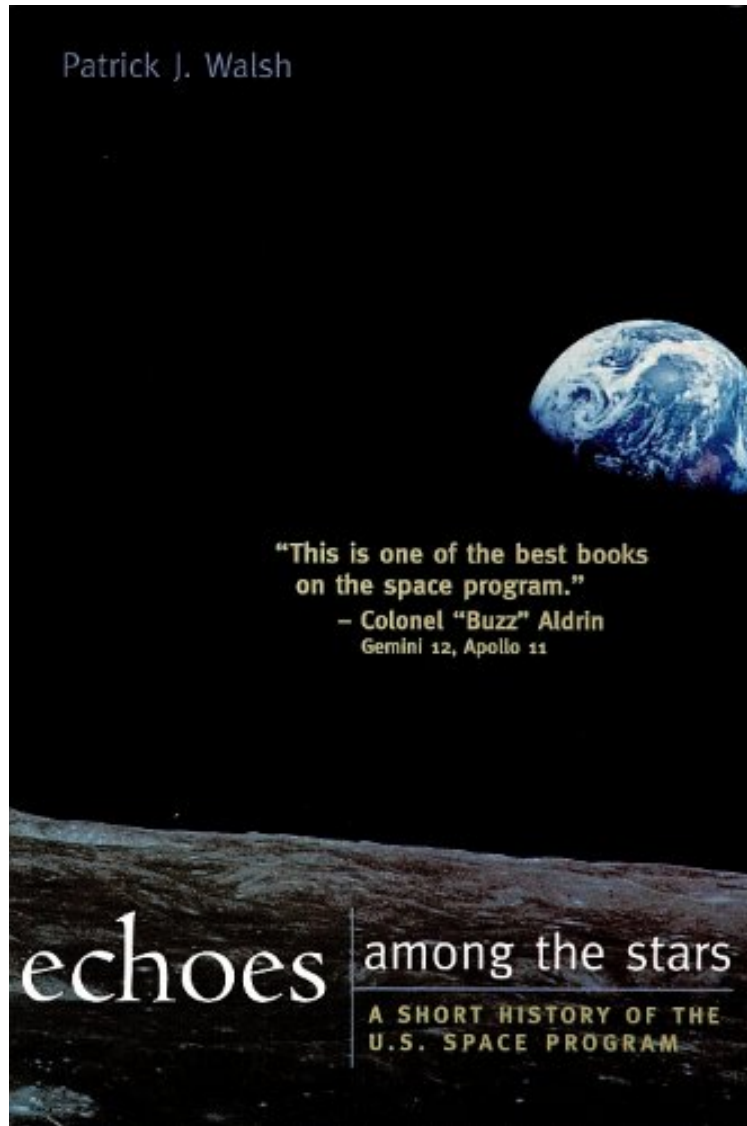


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Echoes: A Sensitive, Vivid Look at the U.S. in SpaceVon Steve BorzoniAs I began reading "Echoes Among the Stars," I was

immediately taken with Walsh's prose-like style. His poetic descriptions of man's fascination with the moon and John Glenn's return to space make this book thoroughly enjoyable and very readable. It is written so smoothly and with such emotion that I actually forgot I was reading a nonfiction, historical study. Walsh's love and knowledge of the subject make it easy to understand the outer space passions of such famous figures as Stephen Hawking and Tom Hanks. His thoughtful, storytelling-style will help readers such as myself not only visualize Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin's famous journey, but feel what they and the country felt and experienced when they took that fateful stroll on the cratered moon surface. I was no space buff, but I am now, thanks to Walsh's thorough and clear explanations, and attention to the historical significance of the many facets and missions that made up NASA's successful space-aeronautics program. As Walsh juxtaposes the development and advances in the program against the important events taking place in the U.S. at the time, as well as the Soviet's own space program, I felt as though I not only was reading about the time and the events in question, but had experienced them myself. This was a courageous and successful approach that resulted in a wonderfully interesting and emotion-filled retelling of the adventure that is the U.S. space program.

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Synopsis Emphasizing the importance of the space programme to the scientific, social and cultural history of the last half of the 20th century, this brief history celebrates the almost unimaginable technological leap that the space programme represents, a feat of teamwork, innovation, dedication and mastery unprecedented in the history of mankind. Walsh's narrative begins just before the Mercury programme, covers the original seven astronauts, the Gemini and Apollo programmes, through Skylab and up to the space shuttle. The glories and emotion of space exploration are presented against the backdrop of the Cold War, the presidential administrations of Eisenhower, JFK, LBJ, Nixon, Ford and Carter, and other significant events in US history. The positive accomplishments of the astronauts are put in context of an increasingly negative domestic situation in the '60s and '70s, the Bay of Pigs, civil rights, assassinations, growing involvement in and dissension about Vietnam, the Watergate scandal, and Nixon's resignation.