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Disney Parks Presents: The Haunted Mansion: Purchase Includes A CD With Song!



Synopsis

The song "Grim Grinning Ghosts," composed in the late 1960s, continues to reside in the dark corridors and spooky cemetery of the Haunted Mansion. Millions of guests leave the mansion with not only a hitchhiking ghost but also this jaunty tune catching a ride all the way home. In this hardcover jacketed picture book, James Gilleard's shadowy, textured illustrations accompany the lyrics of the classic song, and together they take readers on a guided tour deeper and deeper into the mansion, from the portrait gallery and seance room to the grand hall, the creepy attic, and more. This charming picture book includes a CD featuring the song "Grim Grinning Ghosts."

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Customer Reviews

Buddy Baker and Xavier "X" Atencio, both Disney Legends, created "Grim Grinning Ghosts" together, with Atencio writing the lyrics and Baker composing the melody. Baker has composed more than two hundred scores for Disney movies, such as *The Fox and the Hound*; television shows, such as *The Mickey Mouse Club*; and theme park attractions, such as *The Many Adventures of Winnie the Pooh*. Atencio started his career with Disney as an animator, working on such classics as *Fantasia* and *Mary Poppins*. He later became an Imagineer and scriptwriter and helped create Disney Parks attractions, including *Pirates of the Caribbean* in Disneyland and *Space Mountain* in the Magic Kingdom at Walt Disney World. James Gilleard was raised in a small village

called Garthorpe in the North of England before moving to London to study illustration and animation, which he now does for a living. His love of vintage animation has influenced his retro style. He enjoys old cartoons, pulp comics, birds, dinosaurs, and everything 1960s and 70s.

My six-year-old daughter is a huge fan of the Haunted Mansion ride at the Magic Kingdom. We rode it twice during our last visit. I was very excited when I saw this book. When she opened it Christmas morning it was the first thing she actually stopped to sit down, take a break from opening and really look at. She shows it to everyone who comes over. It's something we'll treasure forever!

My kids were scared by the ride at Disney World (crying by the end) so I purchased this book as a way to let them explore the Haunted Mansion from a safe place. Now they talk about the ride as if they enjoyed it, and it is one of the things they talk about most. The music is good too - we used it on Trick-or-Treat night to create a cheerful/spooky mood.

I absolutely love the artwork in this book--that's why I bought it. Great for anyone who loves Disneyland's Haunted Mansion or anyone who need to introduce their little ones to the attraction before taking them on it. I haven't listened to the CD only because I have the song many times over from other Disney CD collections.

Haunted Mansion is my favorite ride. Bar none. So I LOVE this book. The art is BEAUTIFUL! Full page spreads that immerse you in the ride. The story is the lyrics to the song (sing along everyone) so not much "substance" but still amazing.

The artwork in this book is absolutely wonderful, but there is no story. Instead, the lyrics of the song, "Grim Grinning Ghosts," are spread throughout the book. It comes with a CD of the song, but it's way too fast to try to read along to it. They really should have created some type of storyline. Otherwise, it's just a bunch of pictures and a CD of a song that any respectable Haunted Mansion fan should already own and know by heart.

Great book and ride at disney! I can't wait to read this book with my daughter

Love it

I love this book it is so awesome! I'm a huge HM Fan and this definitely is a must for all fans of Haunted Mansion. It is the lyrics to the ride and comes with a cd with the song. I got this at an amazing price with an additional discount and I'm so happy with it. :) The illustrations are amazing too!

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