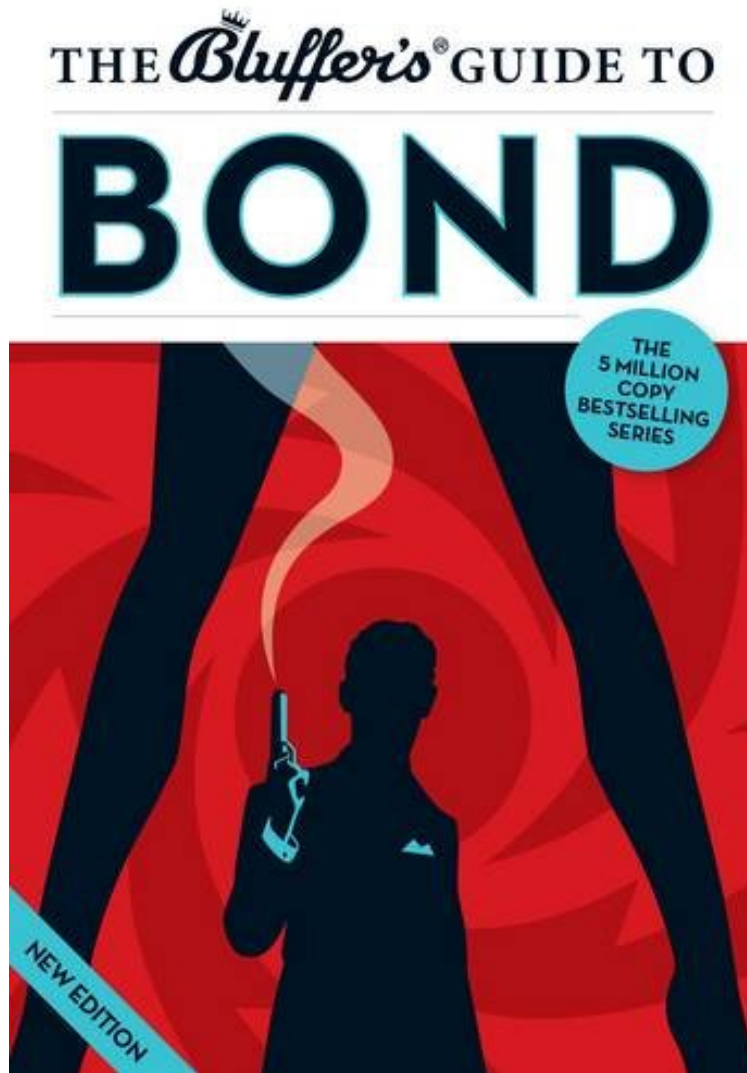


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Mark Mason : The Bluffer's Guide to Bond (Bluffer's Guides) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Bluffer's Guide to Bond (Bluffer's Guides):

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Bluffer's BluffBy Monaco 535The premise of the "Bluffers" book series is of course that one can have ignorance about a popular subject yet armed with info from these books can stand tall at cocktail parties by reciting intriguing nuggets about the subject with a seeming insider's knowledge. In short, you will bluff your way to the head of your social class. But this book about Bond is really a bluffer's bluff. If you never read a page of Ian Fleming or saw a single frame of a Bond movie, I suppose you could indeed bluff your way through most Bond conversations with the aid of this book, including the perennial question: Who's a better Bond,

Connery or Moore? (Answer? "Possibly neither. A good case can be made for . . .Lazenby!" you say, having never seen any of the three. "And by the way," you add with your new, cheaply-acquired superiority, "Flemming preferred Moore, at least initially.") I say a bluffer's bluff because if you have read all the books, and seen all the movies, and can carry on a Bond conversation without this book, you should read it anyway. Why? Because it contains a treasure trove of information you probably never knew or realized. (The first Bond actor on any screen? Not Connery, or even David Niven. The first book made into a movie? Not Doctor No. Who IS Bond? Fleming thought of him in part as a "blunt instrument" of government. Who IS Fleming? A real spy with an unreal imagination who once envisioned boarding a German warship using an elaborate ruse in order to steal the ship's code machine. Etc.) This a wonderful book for those who read and watch Bond--it is well written and more thoughtful than its "Bluffers" concept might lead you to think; it's highly entertaining and informative. If you don't read or watch Bond, it's still a treat. (Who IS this guy who loves eggs and disdains the lead up to and the march down from sex?) Yes, it's a bluffer's bluff: a really good book that cleverly pretends to be a little bit less.

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By Brett HBond was the first of the Bluffer's Guides I have come across, and if this is representative of the series I was quite impressed. I thought I knew quite a lot about Bond, but this little book really does approach the subject from all directions and gives the sort of briefing that will make any bluffer seem knowledgeable. This really is a compendium of all the known facts about Bond. Bond the man, likes, dislikes, tastes in food and drink, especially drink. Discussion of the Bonds, well only the obvious six, but strangely not Derek Niven who starred in the first spoof version of Casino Royale in 1967. The film does merit a mention as does the only other non EON film, Never Say Never Again. There is a lot on the background to the films, which book or short story they came from, as well as the post Fleming authors and the subsequent films. Plus, of course, an enormous amount of Bond trivia. After reading through this you are going to know a lot more about Bond than anyone you are likely to be discussing him with and, as importantly, this is really quite a fun read.

This guide tells you everything you need to know about James Bond, including why Jeffrey Archer has the telephone number 007.

'Wonderful - fascinating Bond revelations on every page.'--Nigel Farndale "Sunday Telegraph "