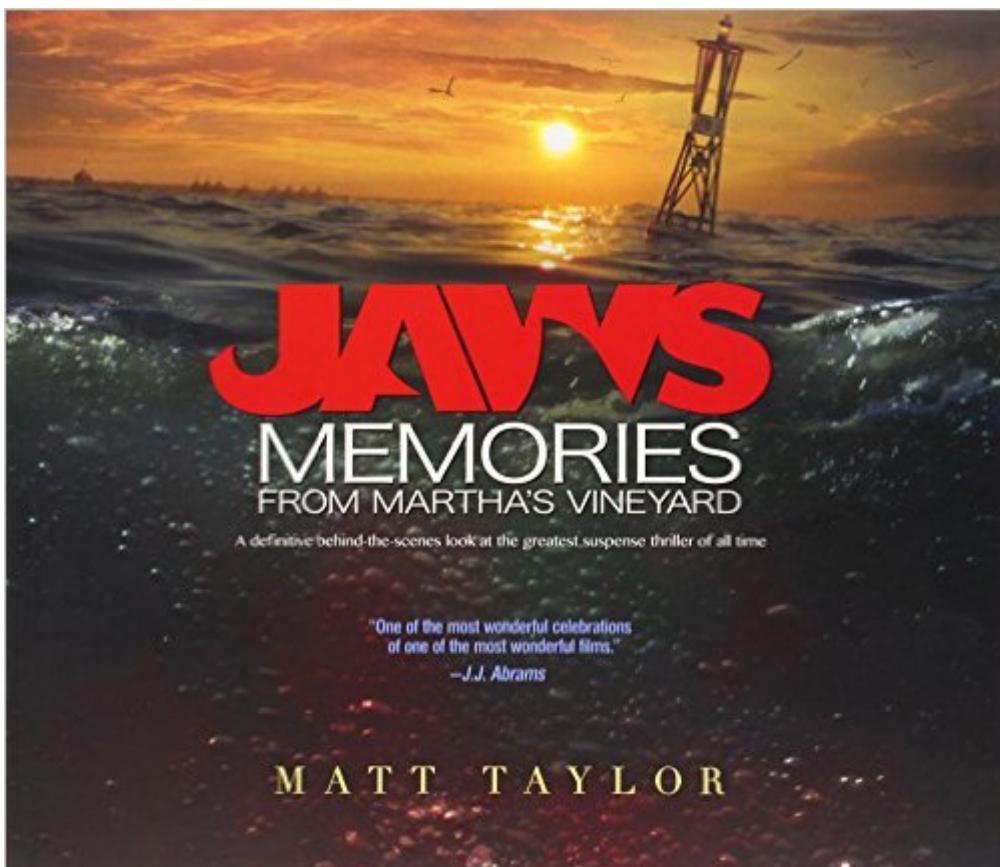


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Jaws: Memories From Martha's Vineyard: A Definitive Behind-the-Scenes Look At The Greatest Suspense Thriller Of All Time



Synopsis

The filming of the blockbuster film Jaws is regarded as a landmark event in both the history of motion pictures and the quaint New England island of Martha's Vineyard, where the geographic isolation necessitated the hiring of hundreds of locals to work as actors and laborers. Among this virtual army of hometown participants were numerous professional and amateur photographers, each with full access to the production's inner workings--for the first time ever this compiles their behind-the-scenes photographs and stories into a treasure trove of Jaws rarities. Included are a foreword by director Steven Spielberg, interviews with production designer Joe Alves, screenwriter Carl Gottlieb, location casting director Shari Rhodes, and more, providing an unprecedented all-access pass to the creation of some of the most memorable and terrifying scenes in film history. This unique compendium is the first to focus on the production's local participants, telling their stories at last.

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âœOne of the most wonderful celebrations of one of the most wonderful films.â•â " J.J. Abrams" There are bookshelves stuffed with behind-the-scenes memoirs and photos from the making of movies, but few are as comprehensive (and interesting) as *Jaws: Memories from Marthaâ™s Vineyard*. The oversized book, packed with thousands of images, tidbits of trivia, and interviews, tells the story behind the making of one of the 20th centuryâ™s most iconic movies, but, in a unique twist, from the perspective of the locals." â " *Wired Magazine*" The volume is so impressive that Spielberg himself penned the foreword, in which he seems truly grateful for the

anecdotal history provided by Taylor." *"Kirkus"* "The book is chock full of anecdotes and is bursting with more than 1000 pix shot by residents that have never been seen before. If you're a *JAWS* nut, then you're going to need a bigger book shelf, because this behind-the-scenes beauty is an absolute must have. I've got the paperback edition, but there's also a killer deluxe boxed Limited Edition hardcover with a DVD containing 8mm behind -the-scenes footage of the *JAWS* production, which was shot and narrated by Islander Carol Fligor, plus a 1 x1 piece of the fiberglass hull of the *Orca II* (a.k.a., sinking *Orca*) used in the movie with a note of authenticity from owners Lynn and Susan Murphy (how freaking cool is that!)." *"Library Journal"* "It's a treasure trove of riches for those of us who love the movie *Jaws*, and the many stories told by the people who were there make for a brilliant package — gorgeous to look at, informative and enlightening to read, and surely a pleasure to revisit in the years to come." *"Film Score Monthly"* "this fantastic book provides an unprecedented all-access pass to the creation of some of the most memorable and terrifying scenes in film history!" *"Nerd Locker"* "This is by far the best film book in the Guide this year...the way this book is laid out is incredible. It details an almost day to day accounting of the famously troubled production and has some of the most incredible on-set photographs ever. It's a brilliant book for a brilliant film" *"aintitcool.com"* "The wealth of behind the scenes photos is astonishing and the level of detail still blows my mind. An amazing making of book." - *Ain't It Cool Holiday Gift Guide*

Matt Taylor is a fifteenth-generation resident of Martha's Vineyard. *Jaws: Memories from Martha's Vineyard*, his first publication, is the culmination of a lifelong passion for art, film and New England history.

Very fascinating read from a local's point-of-view. While reading the book you almost felt like you were there. Tons and tons of pictures and stories. It's hard to imagine how the author collected all this information. I started reading it then had to return to it later cause it's just so vast. However, if you do read it don't let too much time in between reads. I did and lost track of the many characters. It became hard to associate who with what they did. Truly a book for *Jaws* crazies!

I've always been obsessed with this movie, as many of other people. This book chronicles everything you'd want to read and see. FYI, the video that used to come with the hardcover is on the Blu Ray of this movie. So if you have that, you're not missing anything.

If you love jaws and love how movies are made. This book is 110% for you. I have the special edition DVD and only a quarter of the making and behind the scenes was captured in that DVD compared to this book. There's so many more stories and hundreds of pictures of the making of jaws. Great book to have for die hard movie fans.

What can I say about this book other than WOW! This book is large, heavy and amazing. The pictures are amazing and plentiful. This info in this book is awesome. If you don't go away a Jaws fan even more after reading this book then you should check your pulse and Jaws fan credibility :) This book is an absolute must have for any Jaws fan, young, old and in between. This is one book that if it ever becomes a .pdf or Kindle version, you better get the book instead. The beauty of this book on your coffee table will make any visiting Jaws fan jealous. My daughter who is fourteen, is a Jaws fan and absolutely loves to read and browse the book. I think she grabs it every time she sits down on the couch and learns something new about Jaws every single time. If you love Jaws, what are you waiting for? Order this book immediately!

Initially I thought this would be a book about the making of Jaws, and it is, but not in the way I expected. The authors went back to Martha's Vineyard and interviewed people who worked on Jaws -- mostly locals -- and assembled an amazing array of private photographs taken during the shoot, almost all of which have never been seen by the public before. Actually it's less a 'Making of' (there's still Gottlieb's "Jaws Log" for that) and more the story of the impact the film had on the Vineyard. There are hundreds of personal anecdotes and many terrific photos, providing for the viewer a fascinating and immersive experience of what it was like to be on the Vineyard in 1974, to work as an extra (or in many cases, a member of the crew), and a tiny glimpse of what the actors and Spielberg were like. The book is so well put-together that you feel as if you're sitting around with these people in someone's living room sharing old memories. It's a unique approach that pays off handsomely, and it's a captivating read. For any Jaws fan, this is definitely worth the price.

This is a terrific find for the JAWS movie fan in my life. Really thrilled with this purchase and ability to find it on all these years later.

More information than anyone would expect. From every type of person that had a job making this film, as well as the neighbors that lived in the area during the filming. Good stills and stories. But I must say that I go along with anyone that said it should have been a hard cover for the price. It's

only a thicker covered cardboard. It couldn't cost that much more. I have purchased many other books for less that used a hard cover. If it has any pull with future books they should try to have the publisher involved offer both a hard and soft cover. I know most people would opt for the hard if they plan on using the book quite often, or if they want to have a better looking book.

Impressive, I expected a great book but this easily surpassed my expectations. Beautifully designed, with impressive photos and informative texts, it's a "shark -infested" feast for the senses (pun intended). Fully authorized, I rank it there next to "crystal lake memories" as the definitive behind the scenes companion.

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