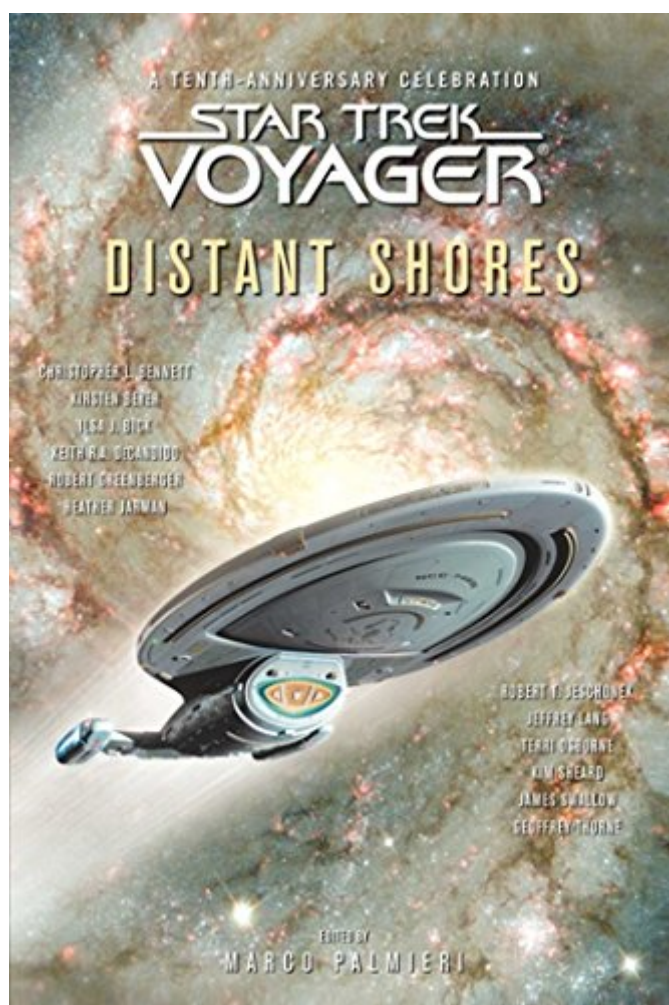


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Washed up on a faraway galactic shore, Captain Kathryn Janeway of the U.S.S. Voyager[®] faced a choice: accept exile or set a course for home, a seventy-thousand-light-year journey fraught with unknown perils. She chose the latter. Janeway's decision launched her crew on a seven-year trek pursuing an often lonely path that embodied the purest form of the Starfleet adage "to boldly go..."[®] Committed to that difficult road, Voyager's crew was rewarded with unimaginable experiences on strange and fantastic worlds, encountering exotic alien species and astonishing phenomena...and challenged along the way by conflicts from within as well as from without. Yet none of their adventures tempered their shared determination to find a way back to friends and family.

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Customer Reviews

I think this book could have been better but I am still glad I bought it though. Here is what I think

about each of the stories. De capo al fine 1- This is the story that made me want to buy this book cause I read an excerpt of it on the page. Well it was interesting til I got confused reading the part with Seska. I was reading about Janeway and the Borg Queen then bam Seska creeps in. I got confused by this story til I read the last story called De capo al fine 2. Aha now everything makes sense. I think these two stories should have been together. I give it a 3 because of that reason. Command code- Pretty good! I could see this happening between Tuvok and Chakotay. The mistrust between them (Starfleet & maqui's). Captain Janeway gets injured and Chakotay takes control of voyager. I give this story a 5. Winds of change- Kes becomes conflicted & angry because she was taken over by tieran. She asks B'Ellana for help. This story would have been good except for the unbelievable part that just working on a windmill helped Kes's aggressive feelings. I give this story a 2 for it being unbelievable. Talent night- Not that great. It was just o.k. I give it a 3. Letting go- Now this is the kind of story this book should have been full of. It tells how the voyager's disappearance affected Mark and other people who had husbands, wives, girlfriends, etc. on Voyager. Very good!! I give it a 10! Closure- Another story that was what I was expecting! This is a sweet story about Kes and Neelix. This story gets a 10 also! The secret heart of Zolaluz- I love this story! This tells the story of how 2 people Seven of nine and Zolaluz changed each other's lives. Two strangers whose impact on the other was surprising and unexpected. Just perfect! This is the quality of a story I'm looking for and expected. I give this a 10!!! Isabo's Shirt- A story about Captain Janeway and Chakotay. I so wanted this to end with them together. I've always thought they belonged together and I want to read a story where they do end up together. Well they didn't. I do understand her responsibilities as a captain but I still think they could have worked it out. I give this a 10! A brief candle- Marika Wilkarah was one of the three people/borg who Seven forced into mental link. The link was severed but now she only has a few weeks to a month to live. Will Harry allow her in his life even if it's only for a little while? I give this a 10 also! 18 Min- The doctor is left on a planet where time is different. In voyager time he was only on the planet for 18 min. By the planet's time he was there for 1,000 days. It was ok. It was a little boring to me so I give it a 2. Or the tiger- Torres thinks she has finally found Voyager a way to get home by way of alien technology. I'm being generous by giving this story a 4 cause I think it could have been better but... Bottomless- I did not like this story much. Janeway giving up ha Never! I give this a 2. De Capo al fine 2- o.k. finally the first story makes sense now with this. I enjoyed it and I will give it a 10!

I'm an avid trek reader and I really wanted to love this book but some of these stories are so bad I'm not sure how they even got published. In fairness some of the voyager episodes were so bad

they're hard to watch let alone read stories based off of them. I really wanted to like this, a few of these stories are great my favorite being the doctor out on the planet with the time differential based on the episode "blink of an eye". Anyways some good some really really really awful.

A lot of Voyager novels that take place during the series have become rather 'stale' in that they are not canon (according to Paramount), but things have changed- the show is off, and all Voyager novels that are published are pretty much canon. I like that "Distant Shores" can crave a lot of the fans wondering about certain events and specifics that in between episodes have been overlooked. But a lot of the books published during the show's running could not do much to alter the characters, drastically balance and reshape them and plot them in a new course. The re-launch novels by Christie Golden and Kirsten Beyer (not to mention Peter David's "Before Dishonor") do a good job of altering Voyager's new potential since their return to the Alpha Quadrant. This novel was an excellent 10th anniversary addition in that it showed a lot of details about the crew and their lives that the show or the other re-launch books mentioned little of. This is one of the only novels that gives fans their red meat, while making it new interesting, and spontaneous all at once. Next to Jeri Taylor's "Mosaic", "Pathways" and Kirsten Beyer's "Full Circle" I would add "Distant Shores" up there as one of the best delicious Voyager treats.

A lot of critics of this book. Some stories were better than others but I enjoyed my time reading. Voyager always feels like family.

Very good stories to fill in the gaps of the books. Nice to read of "behind the stories" of the full book.

I am generally not a person who likes short stories, so I only bought Distant Shores because it contained stories about Voyager. Distant Shores fills in some of the holes in the seven year journey Voyager took through the Delta Quadrant when a deranged alien sends Voyager chasing a Maquis space ship 70,000 light years from home (Alpha Quadrant) to uncharted space. If you watched the television series, you know there are many time periods unaccounted for, relationships hinted at, but not fulfilled, characters created and not filled out to satisfaction. This is not due to neglect, but to the demands of series television, keeping action consistent with the timeline both in real life, and in the life of the fantasy crew on Voyager. Distant Shores is a remarkable collection of stories written by various, talented authors who penned some of the actual series filmed for TV. These stories give us closure between Neelix and Kes' not explained to satisfaction in the series, an explanation of the

relationship between Captain Janeway and Commander Chakotay, the Doctor's experiences in the 18 minutes (four years) we never got to see on Tahal-Meeroj, a tear-jerking finality to the one-month life left to Marika Willkarah after she was disengaged from a Borg triad and decides to stay on Voyager in her capacity as Starfleet Lieutenant, and the thoughts and feelings of a dying older Janeway as she saves her beloved Voyager in the series finale and brings her ship home by outsmarting her nemesis, the Borg Queen. And many, many more stories which give us a more in-depth view of these characters during their seven-year journey through the Delta Quadrant. These stories are near perfect in their depiction of each person and help us to understand them just a little bit better. The only thing I would say is, I'd really like to read more of these stories. There are so many more things left unsaid and unexplored. All in all, a most satisfying read. I'm just sorry it's over.

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