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Guardians of the Galaxy & X-Men: The Black Vortex

OFFICIAL PRODUCT INFORMATION GUIDE

1. Overview

This guide provides essential information for the graphic novel, "Guardians of the Galaxy & X-Men: The Black Vortex." This volume collects a significant crossover event within the Marvel Universe, featuring characters from both the Guardians of the Galaxy and the X-Men.

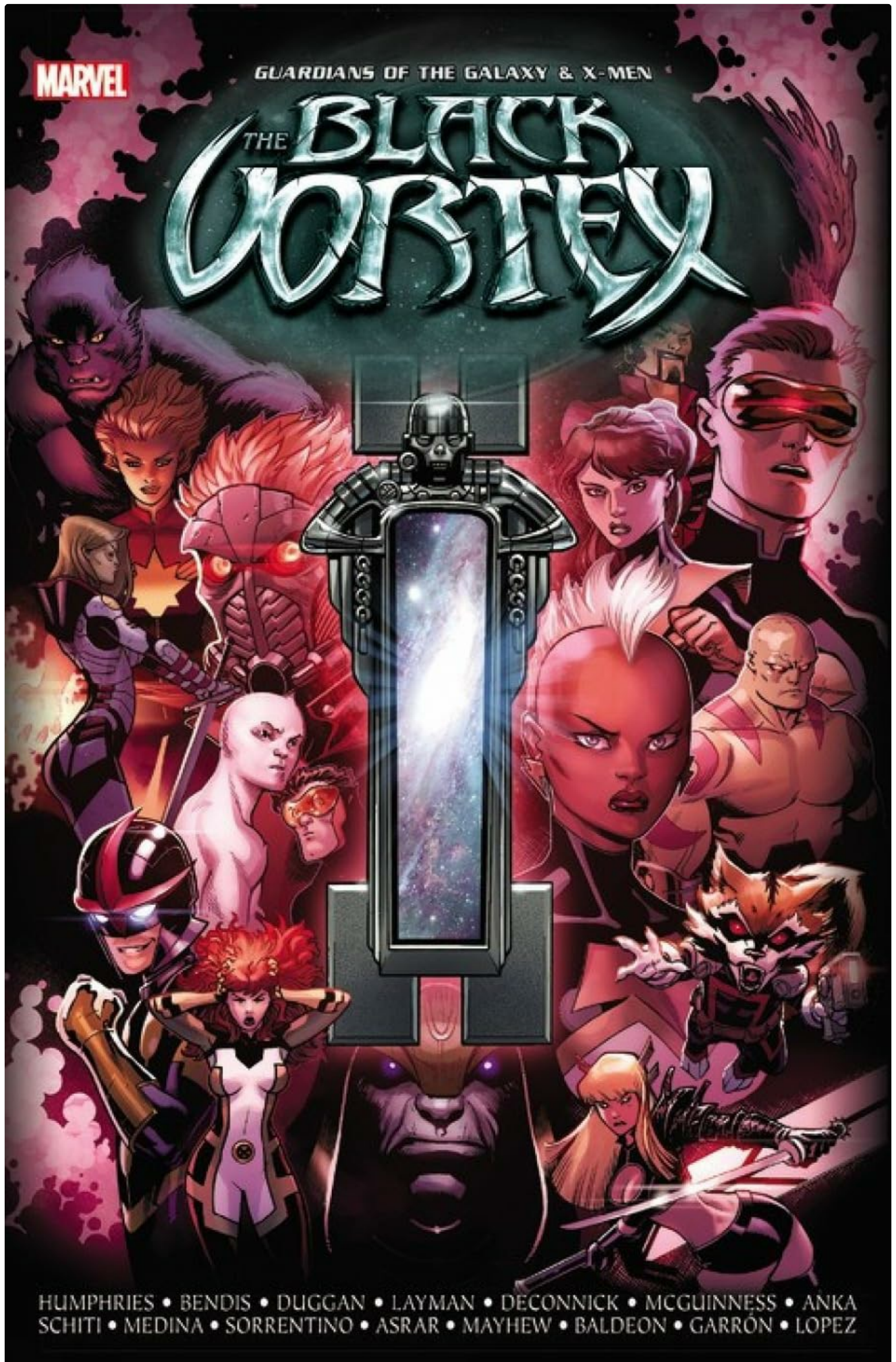
The narrative centers on Star-Lord and Kitty Pryde's acquisition of the ancient Black Vortex, an artifact capable of bestowing immense cosmic power. The story explores the consequences of this power and the various factions, including Mister Knife and the son of Thanos, who seek to control it. The collected edition includes the following issues:

- GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY & X-MEN: THE BLACK VORTEX ALPHA 1
- GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY 24-25
- LEGENDARY STAR-LORD 9-11
- ALL-NEW X-MEN 38-39
- GUARDIANS TEAM-UP 3
- NOVA 28
- CYCLOPS 12
- CAPTAIN MARVEL 14
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GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY & X-MEN

THE BLACK VORTEX



HUMPHRIES • BENDIS • DUGGAN • LAYMAN • DECONNICK • MCGUINNESS • ANKA
SCHITI • MEDINA • SORRENTINO • ASRAR • MAYHEW • BALDEON • GARRÓN • LOPEZ

Figure 1: Front cover of the graphic novel, depicting key characters and the Black Vortex artifact.

2. Getting Started (Setup)

To begin reading your graphic novel, ensure you are in a comfortable environment with adequate lighting. This will enhance your reading experience and allow for better appreciation of the artwork.

- **Unpackaging:** Carefully remove the graphic novel from any packaging.
- **Inspection:** Briefly inspect the book for any visible damage or manufacturing defects such as missing or misprinted pages.
- **Preparation:** Find a quiet and well-lit area to fully immerse yourself in the story.

3. Reading Your Graphic Novel (Operating)

Graphic novels combine sequential art with text to tell a story. Understanding the reading conventions will help you follow the narrative effectively.

- **Reading Direction:** Read pages from left to right, and panels within a page typically from left to right, then top to bottom.
- **Dialogue and Narration:** Speech bubbles indicate character dialogue. Rectangular or square boxes often contain narration or internal thoughts.
- **Art and Story Integration:** Pay attention to both the artwork and the text. The visuals convey emotions, actions, and setting, complementing the written narrative.
- **Page Turning:** Turn pages gently from the top or bottom corner to avoid creasing or damaging the spine.

4. Care and Storage (Maintenance)

Proper care will help preserve the condition and longevity of your graphic novel.

- **Handling:** Handle the book with clean, dry hands to prevent smudges and dirt transfer.
- **Storage:** Store the graphic novel upright on a bookshelf or flat in a stack to prevent spine damage. Avoid storing in direct sunlight, extreme temperatures, or high humidity, which can cause fading, warping, or mold.
- **Protection:** Consider using a protective sleeve or bag if storing for extended periods or transporting.
- **Avoid Damage:** Do not fold pages, write in the book, or expose it to liquids.

5. Common Inquiries (Troubleshooting)

Should you encounter any issues with your graphic novel, consider the following:

- **Missing or Damaged Pages:** If pages are missing, misprinted, or significantly damaged upon receipt, contact

the retailer or publisher for a replacement.

- **Binding Issues:** If the binding appears loose or pages are detaching, this may indicate a manufacturing defect. Refer to the retailer's return policy.
- **Story Comprehension:** If you find the narrative confusing, consider re-reading sections or consulting online resources for summaries or character backgrounds. This graphic novel is part of a larger universe, and some prior knowledge may enhance understanding.

6. Product Specifications

Detailed specifications for "Guardians of the Galaxy & X-Men: The Black Vortex" (Paperback edition):

Attribute	Detail
Publisher	Marvel Enterprises
Publication Date	January 1, 2014
Language	English
ISBN-10	0785199098
ISBN-13	978-0785199090
Item Weight	1.2 pounds (approx. 0.54 kg)
Dimensions	6.25 x 0.5 x 10 inches (approx. 15.88 x 1.27 x 25.4 cm)
Format	Paperback

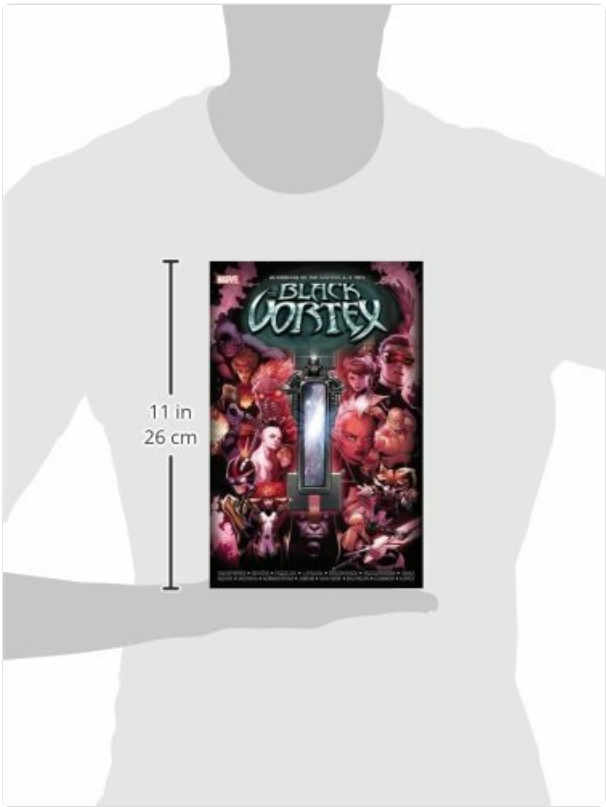


Figure 2: Approximate dimensions of the graphic novel.

7. Warranty and Customer Support

As a published graphic novel, direct manufacturer warranties are not typically provided in the same manner as electronic devices or appliances. However, your purchase is generally covered by the return and refund policies of the retailer from whom you acquired the book.

- **Retailer Returns:** For issues such as manufacturing defects (e.g., missing pages, misprints, binding errors) or damage incurred during shipping, please refer to the specific return policy of the retailer where you purchased this graphic novel. Most retailers offer a period for returns or exchanges for defective products.
- **Publisher Contact:** For general inquiries about the content, series, or other Marvel publications, you may visit the official Marvel Comics website or contact their customer service channels as available.