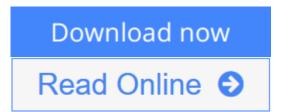


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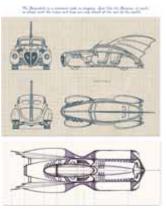
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Review

"It will make any comic book enthusiast in your home, little or otherwise, positively batty." (People magazine)

"This is the ultimate gift item for the inveterate Batman fan." (Martin Brady, BookPage)

"The truly spectacular *Batman Files* coffee-table giant qualifies as the ultimate treasure trove of this incomparable superhero." (The Denver Post)

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"The author has put a great amount of detail making each piece that hasn't appeared anywhere else feel true to the comics." (Intruder, ComicBookMovie.com)

"'The Batman Files' makes an incredible gift for the serious fan of the Caped Crusader." (Joseph Szadkowski, Washington Times)

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