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Rama Revealed - Arthur C. Clarke 1995-01-01

On its mysterious voyage through interstellar space, a massive alien starship carries its human passengers to the end of a generations-long odyssey. But the great experiment designed by the Ramans has failed, and Rama III has become a battleground. Fleeing a tyrant, a band of humans ventures into the nether regions of the ship, where they encounter an emerald-doomed lair ruled by the fabulously advanced octospiders. As the octospiders lure the humans deeper into their domain, the humans must decide whether the creatures are their allies of enemies. All the while, Rama III continues its in-explorable journey towards the node, where the climax of their voyage awaits the stunning revelation of the true identity of the beings behind this glittering trek across the cosmos.

The Day of the Dissonance - Alan Dean Foster 2011-02-22 To save his wizard mentor, a spellsinger—and his otter sidekick—must cross time and space, in this novel by the #1 New York Times-bestselling author. Jon-Tom and his friends have seen better days. After his motley crew moved heaven and Earth to save civilization at the battle of Jo-Troom Gate, his merry band went its separate ways. Mudge, the foulmouthed otter, eagerly returned to thieving, drinking, and whoring, while Talea, the girl of Jon-Tom's dreams, embarked on her own adventures, leaving him to study magic with Clothahump, the irascible wizard whose inept spell trapped him in this weird otherworld in the first place. But now Clothahump is dying, and not even Jon-Tom's spellsinging can make him well. In search of medicine for the centuries-old turtle, he and Mudge venture across the seas on a dubious quest that will require the assistance of an Amazonian white tiger, a ferret, and a genderchallenged unicorn. They're going to need all the help they can get. Childhood's End - Arthur C. Clarke 2012-11-30

In the Retro Hugo Award-nominated novel that inspired the Syfy miniseries, alien invaders bring peace to Earth—at a grave price: "A first-rate tour de force" (The New York Times). In the near future, enormous silver spaceships appear without warning over mankind's largest cities. They belong to the Overlords, an alien race far superior to humanity in technological development. Their purpose is to dominate Earth. Their demands, however, are surprisingly benevolent: end war, poverty, and cruelty. Their presence, rather than signaling the end of humanity, ushers in a golden age . . . or so it seems. Without conflict, human culture and progress stagnate. As the years pass, it becomes clear that the Overlords have a hidden agenda for the evolution of the human race that may not be as benevolent as it seems. "Frighteningly logical, believable, and grimly prophetic . . . Clarke is a master." —Los Angeles Times

Righteous Rāma - J. L. Brockington 1985

The Ghost From The Grand Banks - Arthur C. Clarke 2011-09-29 A fast-moving mystery adventure by one of the world's greatest ever SF writers It is 2010. In two years' time it will be the centennial of the sinking of the Titanic. Two of the world's most powerful corporations race to raise the vessel but there are other powers at work, and chaos theory comes into play as plans progress - and six preserved bodies are found. This novel incorporates two of Arthur C.Clarke's passions - deep sea exploration and future technology - in a fast-moving tale of mysetry and adventure. As operations proceed, the perfectly preserved body of a beautiful girl is found. She was not on the ship's passenger lists. The quest to uncover the secrets of the wreck and reclaim her becomes an obsession ... and for some, a fatal one.

Rendezvous with Rama - Arthur C. Clarke 2006
Rama is a vast alien spacecraft that enters the Solar System, A perfect

cylinder some fifty kilometres long, spinning rapidly, racing through space, Rama is a technological marvel, a mysterious and deeply enigmatic alien artifact. It is Mankind's first visitor from the stars and must be investigated . . .

<u>Double Full Moon Night</u> - Gentry Lee 2000-02-01

New York Times bestselling author Gentry Lee, co-author with Arthur C. Clarke of Rama II, The Garden of Rama, and Rama Revealed, tells an unforgettable tale of two timeless lovers, a group of Martian colonists, and one of the most thrilling and mysterious adventures in human history. On a tiny island paradise inside a vast alien sphere, Johann Eberhardt and his daughter, Maria, live in virtual isolation. Now their paradise has been invaded by a violent and enigmatic life-form. Risking everything, Johann and Maria begin a treacherous journey across the waters in search of their fellow Martian colonists. But they have no idea what awaits them on the other side—until a mystical vision of Johann's beloved Beatrice appears to him with a dire warning and the possibility of attaining an undreamed-of spiritual evolution. Soon to be transported to an exotic planet, the colonists must overcome their dissension and jealousy if they are to survive the upcoming "double full moon night." If not, they will all be destroyed . . . and the secrets of the universe will remain forever unknown to mankind.

The New Voices of Science Fiction - Nino Cipri 2019-11-05 In this daring anthology of cutting-edge short stories, new science fiction luminaries including Rebecca Roanhorse, Amal El-Mohtar, and Sam J. Miller, are showcased with the rising stars that are transforming their genre. Discover exciting writers who are already out of this world, in this space-age sequel to the 2018 World Fantasy Award-winning anthology, The New Voices of Fantasy. [STARRED REVIEW] "Superlative." —Publishers Weekly Your future is bright! After all, your mother is a robot, your father has joined the alien hive-mind, and your dinner will be counterfeit 3D-printed steak. Even though your worker bots have staged a mutiny, and your tour guide speaks only in memes, you can always sell your native language if you need some extra cash. In The New Voices of Science Fiction, you'll find the rising stars of the last five years: Rebecca Roanhorse, Amal El-Mohtar, Alice Sola Kim, E. Lily Yu, Rich Larson, Vina Jie-Min Prasad, Sarah Pinsker, Darcie Little Badger, Nino Cipri, S. Qiouyi Lu, Kelly Robson, and more. These extraordinary stories have been handselected by cutting-edge and award-winning author Hannu Rajaniemi (The Quantum Thief, Summerland) and genre expert, World Fantasy Award winner, Jacob Weisman (Invaders, The Sword & Sorcery Anthology). So go ahead, join the interstellar revolution. The new kids already hacked the AI. "These authors show us the new new things, from global cataclysms to personal transformations that get us lost in entirely unprecedented landscapes. They are here to wake us, by giving us new waking dreams. Read them, and be changed." —Hannu Rajaniemi, editor Marrow - Robert Reed 2013-05-28

The Ship has traveled the universe for longer than any of the near-immortal crew can recall, its true purpose and origins unknown. It is larger than many planets, housing thousands of alien races and just as many secrets. Now one of those secrets has been discovered: at the center of the Ship is . . . a planet. Marrow. But when a team of the Ship's best and brightest are sent down to investigate, will they return with the origins of the Ship--or will they bring doom to everyone on board? Robert Reed, whose fantastic stories have been filling all the major SF magazines for the past several years, spins a captivating tale of adventure and wonder on an incredible scale in this novel based on his acclaimed novella. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied. The Great Science Fiction Stories - Isaac Asimov 1983

3001 - Arthur C. Clarke 2012-11-30

The mysteries of the monoliths are revealed in this inspired conclusion to the Hugo Award-winning Space Odyssey series—"there are marvels aplenty" (The New York Times). On an ill-fated mission to Jupiter in 2001, the mutinous supercomputer HAL sent crewmembers David Bowman and Frank Poole into the frozen void of space. Bowman's strange transformation into a Star Child is traced through the novels 2010 and 2061. But now, a thousand years after his death, Frank Poole is brought back to life—and thrust into a world far more technically advanced than the one he left behind. Poole discovers a world of human minds interfacing directly with computers, genetically engineered dinosaur servants, and massive space elevators built around the equator. He also discovers an impending threat to humanity lurking within the enigmatic monoliths. To fight it, Poole must join forces with Bowman and HAL, now fused into one corporeal consciousness—and the only being with the power to thwart the monoliths' mysterious creators. "3001 is not just a page-turner, plugged in to the great icons of HAL and the monoliths, but a book of wisdom too, pithy and provocative." —New Scientist

A Cage of Roots - Matt Griffin 2015-03-02

Magic exists beneath our feet, if we only know where to look ... Growing up in a New York orphanage, Ayla has no idea who her family is. It is not until she comes to Ireland that she finds out just how deep her roots really are. Then her past rises up to haunt her and seeks to destroy her as Ayla is abducted and buried alive in the bowels of the earth. Above ground, her three best friends set out to find and save her from a fate that has been lying in wait for centuries. Guided by Ayla's uncles, they must make a treacherous journey that takes them down among the very roots of time.

The Sun Wolf and Starhawk Series Books 1-3 - Barbara Hambly 2013-05-21

Three fantasy novels of war and wizardry by a "fabulously talented" New York Times-bestselling author (Charlaine Harris). In The Ladies of Mandrigyn, a brilliant mercenary must lead his army against the forces of the most powerful wizard alive. Gifted with courage, strength, and the intelligence to know when to fight, Sun Wolf is the greatest mercenary in a land overrun by war. With his first lieutenant, Starhawk, at his side, he has laid waste to countless cities, taking the best of their treasures for himself, and distributing the rest among his bloodthirsty crew. Then a woman comes to him, an emissary from the town of Mandrigyn, a lush port city recently sacked by a powerful, mad wizard of unmatched abilities. She offers Sun Wolf untold riches for the use of his army, but the captain is not fool enough to wage war against a magician. He refuses her offer, but that is not the end of it. The women of Mandrigyn can be very persuasive. In The Witches of Wenshar, to harness his newfound magical powers, Sun Wolf must cross the desert in search of a witch who can teach him the ways of sorcery. Accompanied by his lieutenant, Starhawk, he travels across the forbidding desert to the land of Wenshar, where witchcraft is said to flourish. There he seeks out a witch with powers far beyond her years, who is rumored to have mastered the ancient art of white magic. But when he and Starhawk finally reach her, there is evil in the air—an evil against which all their might is useless. Sun Wolf must learn to harness his newfound powers—or be taken by this sinister trap. In The Dark Hand of Magic, Sun Wolf must use his immature magical powers to rescue his old army from an evil wizard's curse. A string of rotten luck has befallen his old crew's latest campaign, and they have begun to suspect a curse. Their arrows break; their food rots; their tunnels cave in. They have heard rumors of Sun Wolf's magical abilities, and beg for his help. But when he goes after whatever is targeting his men, he finds himself up against the deadliest force he has ever encountered.

The Collected Stories of Arthur C. Clarke - Arthur C. Clarke 2016-07-12

Six decades of fascinating stories from the legendary "colossus of science fiction" and creator of 2001: A Space Odyssey gathered in one compendium (The New Yorker). Arthur C. Clarke, along with H. G. Wells, Isaac Asimov, and Robert A. Heinlein, was a definitive voice in twentieth century science fiction. A prophetic thinker, undersea explorer, and "one of the true geniuses of our time," Clarke not only won the highest science fiction honors, the Nebula and Hugo Awards, but also received nominations for an Academy Award and the Nobel Peace Prize, and was knighted for his services to literature (Ray Bradbury). Now, more than one hundred works of the sci-fi master's short fiction are available in the "single-author collection of the decade" (Booklist, starred review). This definitive edition includes early work such as "Rescue Party" and "The

Lion of Comarre," classics like "The Nine Billion Names of God" and "The Sentinel" (which was the kernel of the later novel and movie, 2001: A Space Odyssey), and later works including "A Meeting with Medusa" and "The Hammer of God." Encapsulating one of the great science fiction careers of all time, this immense volume "displays the author's fertile imagination and irrepressible enthusiasm for both good storytelling and impeccable science" (Library Journal). "One of the most astounding imaginations ever encountered in print." —The New York Times "As his Collected Stories helps to demonstrate, there has been no popular writer since the days of C S Lewis and Charles Williams whose disposition is more nakedly apocalyptic, who takes greater pleasure in cradling eternity in the palm of his hand." —The Guardian Brilliant Disguises - William Thornton 2009-11

Cameron Leon is a newly-hired worker for the Forster Foundation, a world-wide charitable organization led by a reclusive billionaire. To get the job, Cameron has to join a church. However, Cameron, still mourning the recent death of his brother Peter, decides he will only pretend to "get saved." In the process, he impersonates not only a Christian, but on occasion his brother. Cameron continues to receive tearful phone calls from Peter's widow, Cecelia, who wants to hear her late husband's voice. Cameron, a born mimic like his brother, flawlessly impersonates him but feels the need for a personal kind of cleansing. In the end, Cameron discovers not only how many faces he has, but how many there are among the people around him. In the end, he finds he has been impersonating someone - or Someone - all along. According to Thornton, BRILLIANT DISGUISES grew from a longing to see the inner life of a Christian in a fictional setting. But the only way to make such a familiar setting appear unfamiliar to Christian readers was to have the story told by someone posing as one. Thornton says, "Probably anyone who has attended an evangelical church, or any church for that matter, has a story of someone who volunteers for everything, is there for every service, has been a model of prayer and devotion for what seems like generations. It could be the Sunday School director or the lady who helps out in the kitchen or the organist. Then one Sunday, they come forward during the dedication and announce that they've never felt they were saved. I wondered how that could happen, and I figured it would help if we were dealing with a character who was a born mimic."

The Garden of Rama - Arthur C. Clarke 1992-09-01
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Appleseed - John Clute 2001

Winter 2002

The Collected Stories of Arthur C. Clarke - Arthur C. Clarke 2002-01-14

Introduces readers to the author's shorter works, spanning his entire writing career, including "The Nine Billion Names of God," "Nemesis," "The Sentinel," and "The Songs of Distant Earth."

The Songs of Distant Earth - Arthur C. Clarke 2012-11-30 Earth refugees threaten a peaceful space settlement in this influential novel from the Golden Age science fiction author of 2001: A Space Odyssey. More than two thousand years in the future, a small human colony thrives on the ocean paradise of Thalassa—sent there centuries ago to continue the human race before Earth's destruction. Thalassa's resources are vast—and the human colony has lived a bucolic life there. But their existence is threatened when the spaceship Magellan arrives on their world—carrying one million refugees from Earth, fleeing the dying planet. Reputed to be Arthur C. Clarke's favorite novel, The Songs of Distant Earth addresses several fascinating scientific questions unresolved in their time—including the question of why so few neutrinos from the sun have been measured on Earth. In addition, Clarke presents an inventive depiction of the use of vacuum energy to power spacecraft—and the technical logistics of space travel near the speed of light. "Clarke's simple, musical style never falters in this sobering yet far

from bleak commentary on humanity's longing for the stars. Highly recommended." —Library Journal

RENDEZVOUS WITH REVENGE - Mayu Takayama 2021-03-01 I want someone to love all of me, even my secrets... Abby works as a receptionist at a clinic for an orthopedic surgeon named Ethan. Being betrayed by a former lover has given her a distrust towards men, but for some reason, Ethan also holds a disgust towards women. One day, he asks her to accompany her on a trip...and offers to pay her to pretend to be his lover. Without thinking, she instinctively turns him down. However, something unforeseen happens. Her beloved teacher is the victim of a robbery and has lost a huge sum of money. Her desire to help leads her to her decision. She will accept Ethan's offer. She never thought that she would have her heart stolen once again...

The Last Theorem - Arthur C. Clarke 2008-08-05 Two of science fiction's most renowned writers join forces for a storytelling sensation. The historic collaboration between Frederik Pohl and his fellow founding father of the genre, Arthur C. Clarke, is both a momentous literary event and a fittingly grand farewell from the late, great visionary author of 2001: A Space Odyssey. The Last Theorem is a story of one man's mathematical obsession, and a celebration of the human spirit and the scientific method. It is also a gripping intellectual thriller in which humanity, facing extermination from all-but-omnipotent aliens, the Grand Galactics, must overcome differences of politics and religion and come together . . . or perish. In 1637, the French mathematician Pierre de Fermat scrawled a note in the margin of a book about an enigmatic theorem: "I have discovered a truly marvelous proof of this proposition which this margin is too narrow to contain." He also neglected to record his proof elsewhere. Thus began a search for the Holy Grail of mathematics-a search that didn't end until 1994, when Andrew Wiles published a 150-page proof. But the proof was burdensome, overlong, and utilized mathematical techniques undreamed of in Fermat's time, and so it left many critics unsatisfied-including young Ranjit Subramanian, a Sri Lankan with a special gift for mathematics and a passion for the famous "Last Theorem." When Ranjit writes a three-page proof of the theorem that relies exclusively on knowledge available to Fermat, his achievement is hailed as a work of genius, bringing him fame and fortune. But it also brings him to the attention of the National Security Agency and a shadowy United Nations outfit called Pax per Fidem, or Peace Through Transparency, whose secretive workings belie its name. Suddenly Ranjit-together with his wife, Myra de Soyza, an expert in artificial intelligence, and their burgeoning family-finds himself swept up in world-shaking events, his

of primates known as homo sapiens. SiseneG - Arthur Charles Clarke 1984

A typed two-line short story in "31 words" sent to the editor of Analog magazine, with a short handwritten note on the cover. Later published in the publication's May issue.

genius for abstract mathematical thought put to uses that are both

concrete and potentially deadly. Meanwhile, unbeknownst to anyone on

Earth, an alien fleet is approaching the planet at a significant percentage

of the speed of light. Their mission: to exterminate the dangerous species

The Collected Stories - Arthur C. Clarke

A forth collection of gripping short stories from the most acclaimed Science Fiction author of any generation. Arthur C Clarke is without question the world's best-known and most celebrated science fiction writer. His career, spanning more than sixty years, is one of unequalled success. Clarke has always been celebrated for his clear prophetic vision, which is fully on display in this audiobook, but there are also many stories which show his imagination in full flight, to the distant future and to far-flung star systems. This forth volume in a series of five includes some of Clarke's most accomplished work, including Sleeping Beauty, The Man who Ploughed the Sea and Cosmic Casanova. Track Listing: CD 1: The Next Tenants read by Nick Boulton Track 2 to 7, 21' 03 Cold War read by Sean Barrett Track 8 to 11, 15' 21 Sleeping Beauty read by Roger May Track 12 to 19, 24' 55 CD 2: The Man Who Ploughed the Sea read by Nick Boulton Track 1 to 13, 39' 12 Critical Mass read by Sean Barrett Track 14 to end of CD 2, 14' 23 CD 3: The Other Side of the Sky read by Roger May Track 1 to 13, 53' 52 Let There Be Light read by Mike Grady Track 14 to end of CD 3, 17' 17 CD 4 and 5: Out of the Sun read by Nick Boulton Track 1 to 4, 17' 38 Cosmic Casanova read by Sean Barrett Track 5 to 9, 17' 06 The Songs of Distant Earth read by Roger May Track 10 to Track 12 of CD 5, 83' 22 A Slight Case of Sunstroke read by Mike Grady Track 13 of CD 4 to end of CD 5, 21' 37 CD 6: Who's There read by Nick Boulton Track 1 to 3, 15' 10 Out of the Cradle, Endlessly Orbiting read by Sean Barrett Track 4 to 7, 15' 10 I Remember Babylon read by

Roger May Track 8 to 14, 30' 18 Trouble With Time read by Mike Grady Track 15 to end of CD 6, 14' 32 CD 7: Into the Comet read by Nick Boulton Track 1 to 6, 24' 12 Summertime on Icarus read by Sean Barrett Track 7 to 13, 28' 36 Saturn Rising read by Roger May Track 14 of CD 7 to Track 3 of CD 8, 29' 41 CD 8: Death and the Senator read by Mike Grady Track 4 to 16, 53' 57 Before Eden read by Nick Boulton Track 17 of CD 8 to Track 5 of CD 9, 26' 11 CD 9: Hate read by Sean Barrett Track 6 to 14, 41' 17 Love that Universe read by Roger May Track 15 to end of CD 9, 10' 28

Rama II - Arthur Charles Clarke 1989

In the sequel to "Rendezvous with Rama," a second Raman spacecraft is discovered approaching Earth in 2196, an event of potentially devastating consequences for humankind

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Way Station - Clifford D. Simak 2015-07-21

Hugo Award Winner: In backwoods Wisconsin, an ageless hermit welcomes alien visitors—and foresees the end of humanity . . . Enoch Wallace is not like other humans. Living a secluded life in the backwoods of Wisconsin, he carries a nineteenth-century rifle and never seems to age—a fact that has recently caught the attention of prying government eyes. The truth is, Enoch is the last surviving veteran of the American Civil War and, for close to a century, he has operated a secret way station for aliens passing through on journeys to other stars. But the gifts of knowledge and immortality that his intergalactic guests have bestowed upon him are proving to be a nightmarish burden, for they have opened Enoch's eyes to humanity's impending destruction. Still, one final hope remains for the human race . . . though the cure could ultimately prove more terrible than the disease. Winner of the Hugo Award for Best Novel, Way Station is a magnificent example of the fine art of science fiction as practiced by a revered Grand Master. A cautionary tale that is at once ingenious, evocative, and compassionately human, it brilliantly supports the contention of the late, great Robert A. Heinlein that "to read science-fiction is to read Simak."

The Dazzle of Day - Molly Gloss 1998-03-15

When the world is so polluted that people live in space stations above the Earth's surface, a group of people depart their home planet on a multigenerational journey to find a new home

Eon - Greg Bear 1991-10-15

A bizarre discovery inside a hollow asteroid-spaceship triggers a worldwide war that results in the utter destruction of all human life, except for those inside the spaceship. Reissue.

Bright Messengers - Gentry Lee 1995

A priestess and an engineer who share the same vision of the future meet on Mars as Earth's civilization faces total collapse, in a new novel in the popular Rama science-fiction series.

The Best of Arthur C. Clarke, 1956-1972 - Arthur Charles Clarke 1973

Robotics Through Science Fiction - Robin R. Murphy 2018-12-25 Six classic science fiction stories and commentary that illustrate and explain key algorithms or principles of artificial intelligence. This book presents six classic science fiction stories and commentary that illustrate and explain key algorithms or principles of artificial intelligence. Even though all the stories were originally published before 1973, they help readers grapple with two questions that stir debate even today: how are intelligent robots programmed? and what are the limits of autonomous robots? The stories—by Isaac Asimov, Vernor Vinge, Brian Aldiss, and Philip K. Dick—cover telepresence, behavior-based robotics, deliberation, testing, human-robot interaction, the "uncanny valley," natural language understanding, machine learning, and ethics. Each story is preceded by an introductory note, "As You Read the Story," and followed by a

discussion of its implications, "After You Have Read the Story." Together with the commentary, the stories offer a nontechnical introduction to robotics. The stories can also be considered as a set of—admittedly fanciful—case studies to be read in conjunction with more serious study. Contents "Stranger in Paradise" by Isaac Asimov, 1973 "Runaround" by Isaac Asimov, 1942 "Long Shot" by Vernor Vinge, 1972 "Catch That Rabbit" by Isaac Asimov, 1944 "Super-Toys Last All Summer Long" by Brian Aldiss, 1969 "Second Variety" by Philip K. Dick, 1953 Rama - Rick Barba 1996

Only Rama: The Official Strategy Guide can unlock the cosmic secrets. Inside are: • Solutions to every puzzle—and the thought process behind them • The keys to decoding alien number systems • An in-depth interview with Rama novelists Arthur C. Clarke and Gentry Lee About the Author Rick Barba is the author of numerous electronic entertainment books, including Myst: The Official Strategy Guide, DOOM Battlebook, and Under a Killing Moon: The Official Strategy Guide (all from Prima). Rama: The Omnibus - Arthur C. Clarke 2011-11-17

At first, only a few things are known about the celestial object that has arrived in the galaxy and has been dubbed Rama by the astronomers observing it. It is a huge cylindrical object, weighing more than ten trillion tons. And it is hurtling through the solar system at inconceivable speed. Then a space probe confirms the unthinkable: Rama is no natural object. It is, incredibly, an interstellar spacecraft. Space explorers and planet-bound scientists alike prepare for mankind's first encounter with alien intelligence. It will kindle their wildest dreams ... and fan their darkest fears. For no one knows who the Ramans are or why they have come. And now the moment of rendezvous awaits - just behind a Raman airlock door.

The Promise of Space - Arthur C. Clarke 1985 An account of the development of astronautics and predictions of achievements in exploration and technology made possible by further research

Rendezvous with Rama - Arthur C. Clarke 1973

The Sentinel - Arthur Charles Clarke 2003-12

A collection of short stories by the author of Childhood's End and 2001: A Space Odyssey showcases the author's storytelling skills in such works as "The Sentinel," "Guardian Angel," "The Songs of Distant Earth," and "Breaking Strain." Reprint.

The Best of Arthur C. Clarke - Arthur Charles Clarke 1976

Rendezvous with Rama - Arthur C. Clarke 2012-11-30

Astronauts explore an alien spacecraft hurtling toward the sun in this Hugo and Nebula Award-winning novel—"a stone-cold classic" of hard sci-fi (The Guardian). An enormous cylindrical object has entered Earth's solar system on a collision course with the sun. A team of astronauts are sent to explore the mysterious craft, which the denizens of the solar system name Rama. What they find is astonishing evidence of a civilization far more advanced than ours. They find an interior stretching over fifty kilometers; a forbidding cylindrical sea; mysterious and inaccessible buildings; and strange machine-animal hybrids, or "biots," that inhabit the ship. But what they don't find is an alien presence. So who—and where—are the Ramans? Often listed as one of Clarke's finest novels, Rendezvous with Rama won numerous awards, including the Hugo, the Nebula, the Jupiter, and the British Science Fiction Awards. A fast-paced and compelling story of an enigmatic encounter with alien technology, Rendezvous with Rama offers both answers and unsolved mysteries that will continue to fascinate readers for generations. "Mr. Clarke is splendid . . . We experience that chilling touch of the alien, the not-quite-knowable, that distinguishes SF at its most technically imaginative." —The New York Times

Rendezvous With Rama - Arthur Charles Clarke 1990

During the twenty-second century, a space probe's investigation of a mysterious, cylindrical asteroid brings man into contact with an extragalactic civilization

A Fall of Moondust - Arthur Charles Clarke 1961

A story of the future, about a specially designed air vessel that sinks with its human cargo into a sea of dust in one of the craters of the moon.