

# The Complete Book of the New Sun: A Masterpiece of Science Fiction and Fantasy



**The Complete Book of the New Sun: The Shadow of the Torturer, The Claw of the Conciliator, The Sword of the Lictor, The Citadel of the Autarch, The Urth of the New Sun (The Book of the New Sun)** by Gene Wolfe

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The Complete Book of the New Sun is a four-volume epic fantasy and science fiction novel by Gene Wolfe. It is considered one of the greatest works of science fiction and fantasy ever written, and has won numerous awards, including the Nebula Award, the World Fantasy Award, and the British Fantasy Award.

The story is set in a distant future on the planet Urth, which is a dying world. The sun is slowly fading, and the planet is becoming increasingly inhospitable. The people of Urth live in a feudal society, and are ruled by a tyrannical emperor.

The protagonist of the story is Severian, a young apprentice torturer. He is a complex and enigmatic character, and his journey is one of self-discovery and redemption. Severian witnesses the horrors of the emperor's regime, and he comes to understand the importance of fighting for justice and freedom.

The Complete Book of the New Sun is a challenging and rewarding read. It is a complex and multi-layered story, and it is full of rich symbolism and allegory. Wolfe's writing is beautiful and evocative, and he creates a world that is both believable and fantastical.

If you are a fan of science fiction or fantasy, then you owe it to yourself to read The Complete Book of the New Sun. It is a truly epic work of literature, and it is sure to stay with you long after you finish it.

## **Awards**

\* Nebula Award for Best Novel (1982) \* World Fantasy Award for Best Novel (1983) \* British Fantasy Award for Best Novel (1984)

## **Praise for The Complete Book of the New Sun**

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## **About the Author**

Gene Wolfe (1931-2019) was an American science fiction and fantasy writer. He is considered one of the most important and influential writers in

the genre. Wolfe's work is known for its complex and multi-layered stories, and its beautiful and evocative writing.

Wolfe was born in New York City, and he served in the United States Army during the Korean War. After the war, he worked as an editor and a teacher. He began writing science fiction in the 1960s, and he published his first novel, *The Fifth Head of Cerberus*, in 1972.

Wolfe's work has won numerous awards, including the Nebula Award, the World Fantasy Award, and the British Fantasy Award. He was also a recipient of the Grand Master Award from the Science Fiction and Fantasy Writers of America.

Wolfe died in 2019 at the age of 87. He left behind a legacy of groundbreaking work that continues to inspire and challenge readers today.



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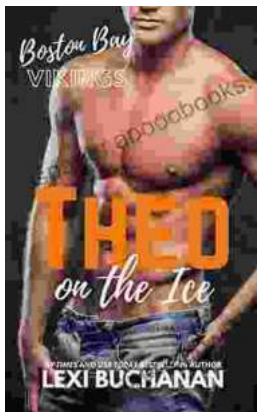
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