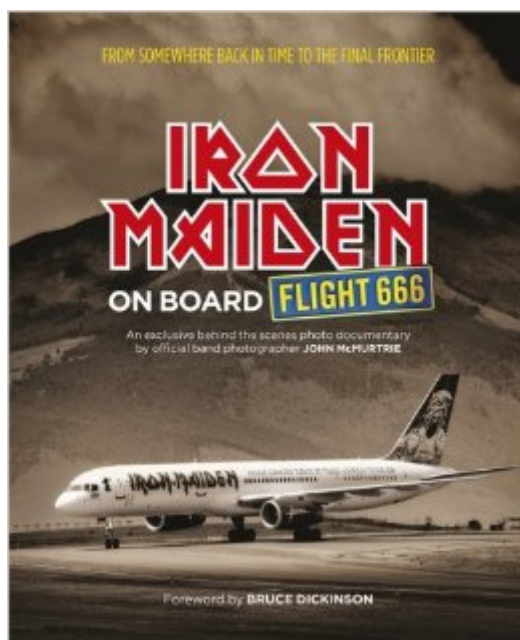


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# Iron Maiden: On Board Flight 666



## Synopsis

The first and only official book from one of the world's biggest heavy metal bands, with a foreword by frontman Bruce Dickinson. On board their customized Boeing 757 plane named Ed Force One, and piloted by lead singer and airline captain Bruce Dickinson, Iron Maiden, their crew, and 12 tons of equipment traversed the planet and broke the mold of traditional touring forever by playing concerts in every continent except Antarctica over the course of the Somewhere Back In Time Tour of 2008, the 2009 and The Final Frontier Tour of 2010, and 2011. The band's official photographer, John McMurtrie, accompanied them throughout this mammoth and groundbreaking undertaking, and the exciting results of his fly-on-the-wall coverage are represented in this unique pictorial odyssey. John's unrestricted access has allowed him to capture exclusive images and moments both onstage and off, in nearly 600 spectacular photographs annotated with individual insights and anecdotes. Providing their legions of loyal fans with an up-close look at the band as they circumnavigate the globe, this book provides an unprecedented insight into one of the most adventurous rock tours ever undertaken; and into what makes this band so special.

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## Customer Reviews

A very well presented book that chronicles the back story of just what it takes to successfully carry off a world tour. Add to it that the lead singer is also the pilot of the B-757 makes it even cooler! Inside views of the 757 and cockpit, planning and development of the special cargo area for the band's equipment and dealing with the safety and regulatory issues as well. Photos and stories as

Iron Maiden wings their way around the globe with Captain Bruce Dickinson at the controls. Very cool indeed. One story that stuck with me was the flight to Japan which was diverted and the concert cancelled due to the horrific events of the earthquake, tsunami, and nuclear powerplant disaster. Very real and very human. Highly recommend this book for anyone who is an Iron Maiden fan, loves aviation and the B-757. Just an all around great read.

To the uninitiated, this may very well appear to be quite simply a heavy metal coffee table book - nothing could be further from the truth! In reality it's a tremendous 250-page photo documentary, captured in jaw-dropping brilliance, by official band photographer John McMurtrie - who was the seventh member of IRON MAIDEN from 2008 until 2011. The man behind the lens has published over 600 unbelievable pictures, all snapped while the band criss-crossed the globe. Beginning with the Somewhere Back In Time World Tour, and wrapping with the Final Frontier World Tour, this truly terrific hardcover tomb gloriously showcases Maiden's rabid and fanatical following. But what makes the whole endeavour even more special, is the fact that vocalist Bruce Dickinson piloted the group's specially equipped Boeing 757. Dubbed Ed Force One, this one-of-a-kind airliner carried band, crew and 12 tons of equipment across every continent, with the exception of Antarctica and Africa. Yes, the man who belts out 'Run To The Hills' and 'Can I Play With Madness', in addition to countless other classics, flew the plane as well. In an overly thorough foreword, Dickinson describes in detail what it took for him to get this truly unique "flying tour bus" in the air. Short of being a pair of sweaty, stage-worn socks, getting closer to Eddie - decked out in a Los Angeles Lakers jersey - is damn near impossible.

On Board Flight 666 is a first class collection of awesome moments in the life of Iron Maiden. With the acclaim the band is garnering after over 30 years of great music, this book captures the band as they really are. Great captions alongside many of the pictures to tell where, who and what is going on when a particular picture was taken. It is a tragedy there are no other books throughout Maiden's storied career that capture the same essence of this band's greatness. If Maiden were to make a book similar to On Board Flight 666 from the band's inception to now, you'd need a forklift to get it off the ground! That is the length of history this band has. A great addition to any Maiden collection. Up the Irons!

Such a great book!!! I am a huge Iron Maiden fan, but have never had the chance to see them live. All the pics are great! Makes me feel like I was not only there, but that I was able to travel with them

and go behind the scenes too!!!

This is great book and a must have for all Maiden fans. It is essentially a picture book with great photography. I was hoping for more behind the scenes material to "read". Either way, i am completely satisfied with it. You too.... will clear a spot for this on your coffee table!

Fantastic book, really! A must have for Iron Maiden fan! For around \$30 you get great photo album full of back stage shots of heavy metal legend during their last tours. Those, who never heard of Iron Maiden shall get one too - it will change their perspective onto the heavy metal as well as onto people who playing that kind of music. Excellent bargain!

I just got the book, quickly flipped through it, saw some pictures from one of the shows I was at and was amazed by the rest. I think this book surpasses Ross Halfin's in quality and for the price of a hardback, coming from the UK to the US, it's an incredible value. I have a friend that's a fan of Bruce, but for his piloting so I know he'll love the book too. So many great shots of Ed Force One. Up The Irons!

My hubby and I were extremely lucky to see Maiden at the Forum in Los Angeles on this tour. We got the dvd which is awesome, and I am really looking forward to owning this book to add to our memory of such an amazing time. Maiden has been a stunning fans at concerts for years, and the studio albums are always a joy to listen to. We have been lucky enough to see the band 4 times, and have never been disappointed at the show. They give 100% at every show, studio album, and concert disk. For a private band, we have been very pleased with the info of this tour to be able to get so much released, and to continue on in the tradition of all things awesome and cool. UP THE IRONS!!

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