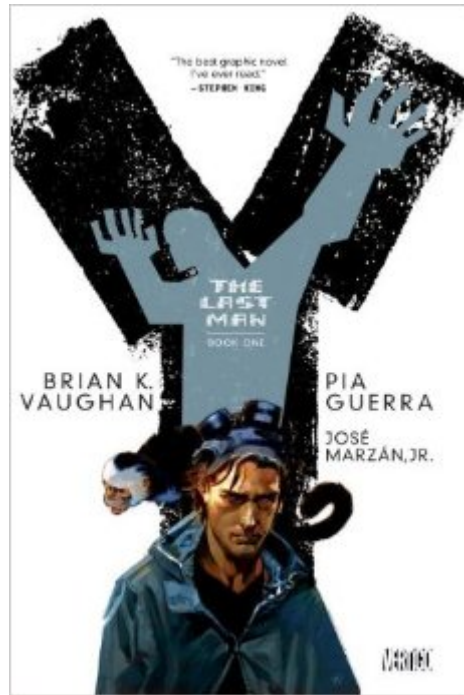


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Synopsis

Y: THE LAST MAN, winner of three Eisner Awards and one of the most critically acclaimed, best-selling comic books series of the last decade, is that rare example of a page-turner that is at once humorous, socially relevant and endlessly surprising. Written by Brian K. Vaughan (LOST, PRIDE OF BAGHDAD, EX MACHINA) and with art by Pia Guerra, this is the saga of Yorick Brown—the only human survivor of a planet-wide plague that instantly kills every mammal possessing a Y chromosome. Accompanied by a mysterious government agent, a brilliant young geneticist and his pet monkey, Ampersand, Yorick travels the world in search of his lost love and the answer to why he's the last man on earth. Collects Y THE LAST MAN #1-10.

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Plague? Black Magic? Terrorism? Act of God? Could / would something simultaneously kill every mammal possessing a Y chromosome? Even unborn mammals in the womb? Well, according to Y: The Last Man, on July 17, 2002, that's exactly what happened...with the exception of one male human being and one male Capuchin monkey. Y: The Last Man chronicles the life of Yorick Brown and his pet monkey Ampersand as they are thrust into a female-only society. And society is in chaos. The realization that the planet is doomed without a reproducing, intelligent species is not lost on its inhabitants. Some accept their fate; some fight to find a way to reverse the annihilation; and some even denounce any fight to survive as opposition to God's will. Hence, to some, Yorick Brown is the ultimate opposition to God's will....A sole human male survivor. So when Yorick teams up with a government agent and a genetic scientist on a journey across the country to get to a laboratory to

find out 'what makes him different', or to try to discover if there's a genetic 'solution' to this disaster, you can bet the band of travelers run into some hostile forces. The storyline is not without some controversy.... Well, I see no controversy, but I'm sure that certain groups might view the nature of a population unable to civilly function without men a bit 'controversial'. Regardless, Y: The Last Man is very well told, exciting, twist-filled and keeps you pressing on. It took me just under 2 hours to get through Book 1. The stories originally were delivered in 10 Volumes (collecting the 60 individual newsstand comic books).

Close to a year ago, when I heard about this deluxe edition (the first of five) coming out, I decided to wait for it instead of jumping into the TPB volumes. I'm glad I did. For close to the same price as the first two TPBs, this heavy hardcover was well worth the wait. High quality binding, large and clear pages, a little extra sketch-work, and a 'collectible' feel, this deluxe edition is certainly superior to previous printings. An authentic, oversized hardcover with a removable dust jacket, this one looks good in any collection. As to the story, this one covers the first two TPB volumes of the series, Unmanned and Cycles. In the beginning you are treated to a fast-paced and chaotic overview of the catastrophe that literally kills every male mammal on the planet except for our hero Yorick and his pet monkey Ampersand. The rest of the story follows Yorick in his efforts to reunite with his family and his lost girlfriend Beth. During his journey he encounters all manner of allies and enemies and generally has a rollicking adventure across America. Vaughan's setting for this story is completely unique and well-done. Obviously, the world has gone into chaos, with many important jobs for society being left essentially undone, and crime and anarchy generally ruling the day. While it will be interesting to see the direction Vaughan takes the overall story of how the world copes with the loss of all men, the real story here focuses on the exploits of Yorick Brown.

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