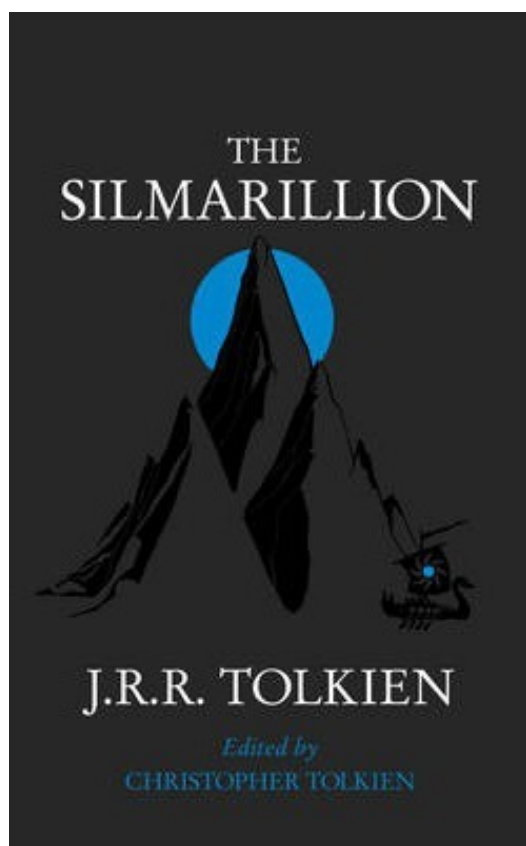


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Description:

Designed to take fans of *The Hobbit* and *The Lord of the Rings* deeper into the myths and legends of Middle-earth *The Silmarillion* is an account of the Elder Days, of the First Age of Tolkien's world. It is the ancient drama to which the characters in *The Lord of the Rings* look back, and in whose events some of them such as Elrond and Galadriel took part. The tales of *The Silmarillion* are set in an age when Morgoth, the first Dark Lord, dwelt in Middle-Earth, and the High Elves made war upon him for the recovery of the Silmarils, the jewels containing the pure light of Valinor. Included in the book are several shorter works. *The Ainulindale* is a myth of the Creation and in the *Valaquenta* the nature and powers of each of the gods is described. *The Akallabeth* recounts the downfall of the great island kingdom of Numenor at the end of the Second Age and *Of the Rings of Power* tells of the great events at the end of the Third Age, as narrated in *The Lord of the Rings*. This pivotal work features the revised, corrected text and includes, by way of an introduction, a fascinating letter written by Tolkien in 1951 in which he gives a full explanation of how he conceived the early Ages of Middle-earth.

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Tolkien's epic legendary precursor to 'THE LORD OF THE RINGS' The Silmarilli were three perfect jewels, fashioned by Feanor, most gifted of the Elves. When the first Dark Lord, Morgoth, stole the jewels for his own ends, Feanor and his kindred took up arms and waged a long and terrible war to recover them. This is the story of their rebellion against the gods and the history of the heroic First Age of Middle-earth. "At times rises to the greatness of true myth." FINANCIAL TIMES "A creation myth of singular beauty magnificent." WASHINGTON POST

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About J. R. R. Tolkien

J.R.R. Tolkien is best known for The Hobbit and The Lord of the Rings, selling 150 million copies in more than 60 languages worldwide. He died in 1973 at the age of 81. Christopher Tolkien is the third son of J.R.R. Tolkien. Appointed by J.R.R. Tolkien to be his literary executor, he has devoted himself to the publication of his father's unpublished writings, notably The Silmarillion and The History of Middle-earth.