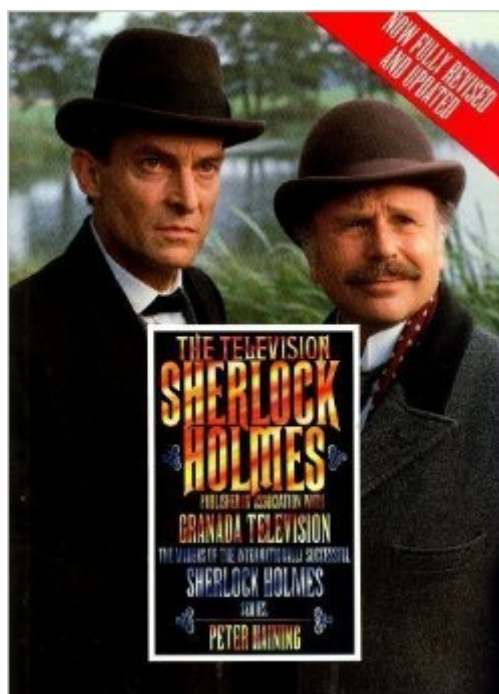


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# The Television Sherlock Holmes



## Synopsis

Published in association with Granada TV, and timed to coincide with a new TV series of six programmes, this book provides information for all Holmes enthusiasts. Plot, cast, production and transmission details for every Sherlock Holmes series and full-length drama produced by Granada over the last ten years is included as well as revealing insights on the making of the programmes. A survey of earlier TV interpretations of the great detective, interviews with the stars and the series creators as well as a location fact-file are included.

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I have bought this book because a friend recommended it to me (she knows I like Conan Doyle's Sherlock Holmes stories as well as the Granada TV series with Jeremy Brett). I have rarely enjoyed a book as much as I enjoyed this one...and for me, that is saying a lot. It is a wonderful oversized book which includes not only many on the set and behind the scenes photographs of the Granada series in the making (the one which particularly amused me was the photo titled "How Holmes and Watson are \_really\_ taken for a ride"). But the book contains much more than that--it also contains fascinating insight into the Granada series, including interviews with David Burke, Edward Hardwicke, and Jeremy Brett, and others involved in the making of the series. Additionally, the book offers many photos and intriguing bits of information about other actors who played Sherlock Holmes and about Sir Arthur Conan Doyle himself. Truly a marvelous read, from any perspective; well worth the price. If you are curious about the difference between the 1986 (hardcover) and the 1994 (paperback) edition--the 1994 edition includes these additional materials: 1. A new foreword

from Jeremy Brett, dated 1993<sup>2</sup>. A lengthy new introduction by Peter Haining<sup>3</sup>. A brief new afterword by Michael Cox<sup>4</sup>. The episode-by-episode listing goes through the end of the series. So, overall, perhaps 5-10% new material compared with the 1986 edition. P.S. Please take a look at this, if you enjoyed the Granada series: please consider the supporting the petition currently underway for Jeremy Brett (playing Sherlock Holmes in this series) to be given a posthumous BAFTA (UK version of Oscar and Emmy combined). Look for "posthumous BAFTA for Jeremy Brett" on Google or Facebook.

Oversized paperback edition, filled with wonderful behind the scene and series photos (color and b/w). Includes plot lines and interviews. A must have for any fan of Jeremy Brett and Sherlock Holmes.

I recently purchased the latest revised edition of this book and I am in love with it! Many beautiful photos and information about each show and movies. The quotations from Brett, Hardwicke and the many others involved with this show are priceless. It somewhat downplays Brett's health issues BUT it is still a concise book. (However, I did find the line from Brett about wanting to film the rest of the stories "over the next 10 years" heartbreaking as that was a quotation from him a year or two before he passed.) In my mind Jeremy Brett IS Sherlock Holmes and I don't know if anyone will ever be able to hold a candle to his portrayal. The same with Edward Hardwicke. (Sorry to say, but his Watson had more soul than David Burke's.) It is unfortunate that the today's youth is being introduced to Holmes through the meaningless drivel of today's movies (think Downey, Jr!) and television shows. Long live Sherlock Holmes!

If you want to know what a wonderful deal this book is, just check out the price on all things Jeremy Brett! The English seem to fancy the idea of a few people having an item worth thousands of dollars while denying the merchandising of such products so hoards of others can have it at a reasonable cost. Don't ask me to explain why they do this...but I do keep encountering it. Inside this book are ample pictures of Jeremy Brett from the series "Sherlock Holmes". They are very well done, and sure to please. There's a lot of inside details and information, enough to interest any fan. If you're into the Jeremy Brett version of Sherlock Holmes, you'll be quite pleased to own this book, as I am!

This book is invaluable for fans of the series, and they are legion--the series is thought by many the definitive treatment of the Holmes stories (headed by the brilliant Jeremy Brett). Very highly

recommended!

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