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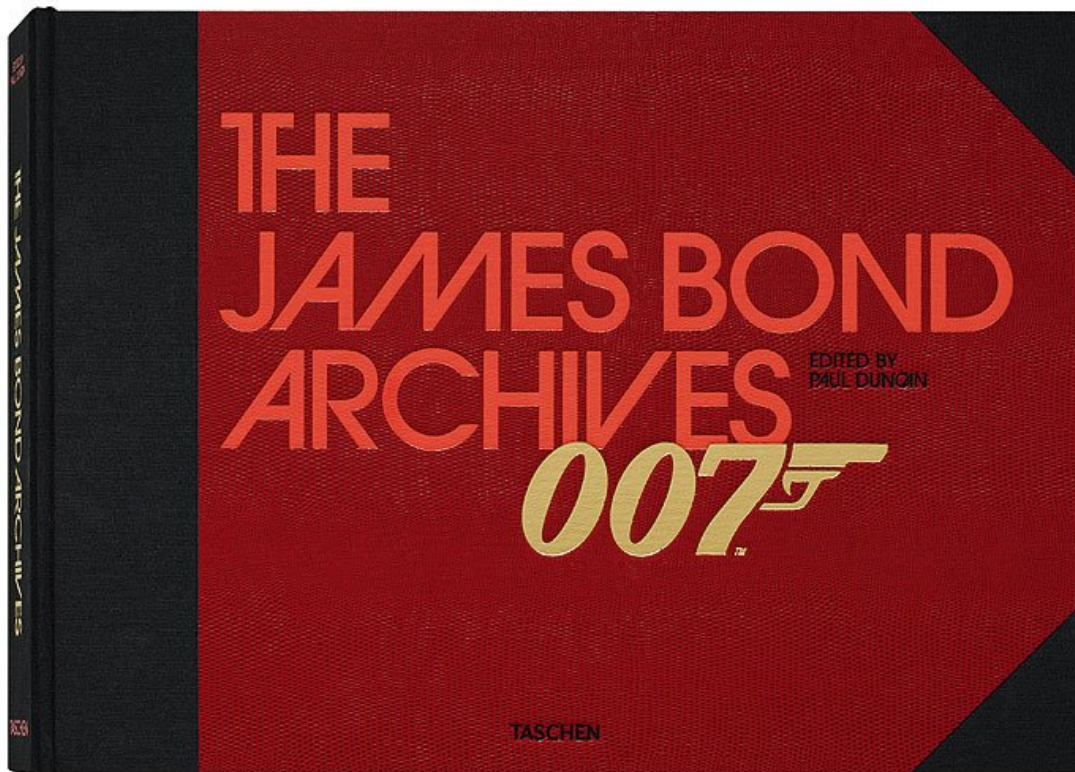
Gentleman's Library: The James Bond Archives

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You can hardly have failed to notice that the world-famous spy James Bond has a big birthday coming up - and to commemorate the occasion, a German publishing house is launching a 600-page tribute to 007's adventures on the silver screen...

If you passed up the opportunity to buy Daniel Craig's [Aston Martin DBS](#) from 'Quantum of Solace' at the '[50 years of James Bond](#)' sale earlier this month, well, not to worry - we've found the next best thing. 'The James Bond Archives' will take you on an action-filled trip down memory lane, into the cinematic world of Her Majesty's most sophisticated Secret Service agent.

Meanwhile, this brick-sized book offers not only hundreds of unique on-set photographs, but also behind-the-scenes stories from the people who were there when it happened. From screenwriters and actors, to stuntmen and special effects technicians - they've all shared their memories and best Bond moments from past decades.





For this 600-page book, editor Paul Duncan spent two years going through the 007 archives at EON Productions, researching piles of documents and previously unseen memos - and his hard work appears to have paid off. The result is a massive pictorial account, revealing the inside story behind every Bond film, beginning with 'Dr No' and ending with the forthcoming 'Skyfall'.

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However, this huge piece of cinematic history doesn't come cheap; it can be yours if you fork out a steep £135. And what can you expect to get? At least a good read, and one that should take you straight to '007th heaven'.

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