

Lord of the Rings Books in Order *Checklist*

Core Lord of the Rings Reading Order

- ☐ The Hobbit (1937)☆☆☆☆☆ _____
- ☐ The Fellowship of the Ring (1954)☆☆☆☆☆ _____
- ☐ The Two Towers (1954)☆☆☆☆☆ _____
- ☐ The Return of the King (1955)☆☆☆☆☆ _____

Expanded Middle-earth Reading Order

- ☐ The Adventures of Tom Bombadil and Other Verses from the Red Book (1962) (Poetry)☆☆☆☆☆ _____
- ☐ The Silmarillion (1977)☆☆☆☆☆ _____
- ☐ Unfinished Tales of Númenor and Middle-earth (1980) (Collection)☆☆☆☆☆ _____
- ☐ The Children of Húrin (2007)☆☆☆☆☆ _____
- ☐ Beren and Lúthien (2017) (Great Tale)☆☆☆☆☆ _____
- ☐ The Fall of Gondolin (2018) (Great Tale)☆☆☆☆☆ _____
- ☐ The Nature of Middle-earth (2021) (Collection)☆☆☆☆☆ _____
- ☐ The Fall of Númenor (2022) (Second Age Compilation)☆☆☆☆☆ _____

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The History of Middle-earth

☐ The Book of Lost Tales, Part I (1983)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____
☐ The Book of Lost Tales, Part II (1984)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____
☐ The Lays of Beleriand (1985)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____
☐ The Shaping of Middle-earth (1986)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____
☐ The Lost Road and Other Writings (1987)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____
☐ The Return of the Shadow (1988)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____
☐ The Treason of Isengard (1989)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____
☐ The War of the Ring (1990)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____
☐ Sauron Defeated (1992)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____
☐ Morgoth's Ring (1993)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____
☐ The War of the Jewels (1994)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____
☐ The Peoples of Middle-earth (1996)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____
☐ The History of Middle-earth Index (2002) (Reference)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____

Companion and Study Books

☐ The Road Goes Ever On (1967) (Songbook)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____
☐ Bilbo's Last Song (1990 book edition) (Poem)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____
☐ The Annotated Hobbit (1988) (Douglas A. Anderson)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____
☐ The Lord of the Rings: A Reader's Companion (2005)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____
☐ The History of The Hobbit (2007) (John D. Rateliff)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____
☐ The Maps of Middle-earth (2024) (Reference)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____
☐ The Collected Poems of J.R.R. Tolkien (2024) (3 volumes)	☆☆☆☆☆	_____