



The Sun

One Thousand Years of Scientific Imagery

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- A fascinating and informative look at studies of the Sun throughout history, beautifully illustrated with images from the Science Museum's collection
- The combination of historic and modern studies and accessible text ensure there is something here for every reader
- Cloth binding with foil details make this a beautiful addition to any bookshelf

Dazzling, beautiful, powerful, mysterious – the Sun has fascinated people throughout history. This book charts our changing understanding of the Sun through a rich collection of scientific imagery: from from a 10th-century manuscript drawing of an earth-centred universe, to awe-inspiring close-ups of our turbulent star taken by orbiting spacecraft. Each image tells a story of evolving scientific understanding and techniques, as well as the personal dedication of the theologians, artists and astronomers who made them. Contents: Foreword; Introduction; The sun and planets; The solar surface; Eruptions; Sunlight; Eclipsed; Glossary; Further reading. Published to accompany the special exhibition *The Sun: Living with Our Star*, running at the Science Museum from 6 October 2018 to 6 May 2019.

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