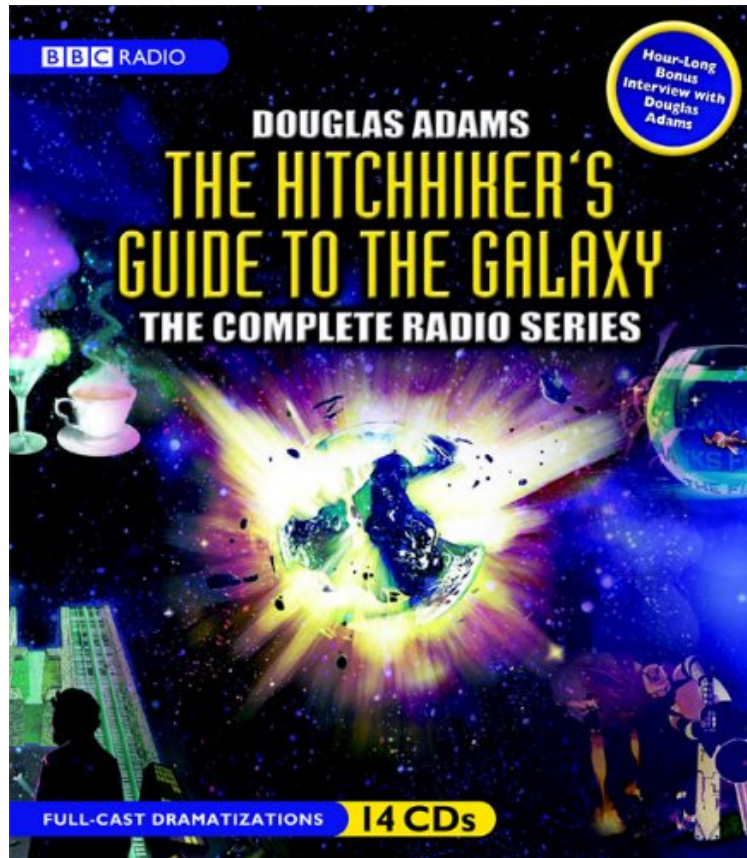


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19 of 19 people found the following review helpful. Discs 2 and 3 of Secondary Phase are switched By Dr. Stuart Cheshire Before listening to this, note that discs 2 and 3 of the Secondary Phase are mislabeled. The one imprinted "Secondary Phase Disc 2 of 3" is actually disc 3, and the one imprinted "3 of 3" is actually disc 2. Because the audio itself doesn't contain any mention of episode numbers, the mistake may not be immediately obvious when you're listening, until partway through (the apparent) "disc 2" you realize that either the plot isn't making sense or you must have missed something. Given that even under ideal circumstances the phrase "plot isn't making sense or you must have missed something" generally describes much of listening to Hitchhikers anyway, the mistake may not be at all evident on first listening. Or third listening. So make sure to relabel your discs 2 and 3 so that you listen to them in the correct order. Five stars for the content, one star off for the BBC not managing to label the discs correctly. 19 of 19

people found the following review helpful. Finally all together in one package, until H2G2 6 comes out next year!By Tuffy RickabaughUpdated Info:Upgrade to 5 stars!After finally getting around to listening to Quandary and Quintessential CDs from this set I found both are actually extended versions that are a vast improvement over the original 30-minute radio broadcasts that I have heard previously.Quandary and Quintessential phases in the original 30 minute radio format seem rushed and feel incomplete due to time constraints required to meet the 30 minute length. The extended versions of Quandary and Quintessential in this collection fill in all the missing gaps and make listening truly satisfying. The extra cut in Quandary alone add up to over 23 minutes!A must have for any H2G2 fan.Original Review:I purchased this set to condense my own copies spread over Cd's, tape and MP3s. Packaging is all paper/paperboard so that aspect comes up short since it will deteriorate with use. Primary and Secondary phases have been remixed/edited so they are not the exact original radio show and some purists might not be happy. With cast and track listing for each phase but no other extras or info except the Douglass Adams interview. If you already own these on CD there is no reason to upgrade. If you have old tapes or low rez MP3s the price is well worth it and you should upgrade.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Massive silliness!By 39 winksI first heard this radio show around 1980. I kept a cassette tape of it and had it nearly memorized. After enough moves I could no longer find it. My kids were beginning to enjoy the other forms of this story, and I wanted to share the original show with them. Lady Cynthia-Fitsmilton, the enlightened liberal cops who know all about sensitivity and everything, out of my way little robot, other bits that haven't made it into the other versions. We're all enjoying a chapter or two on the drive to school.I forgot how often he dredged up "what the hell", "bloody hell," "a hell of a lot." Words are tools. Sometimes they're not as sharp as you'd like.

This really is the ultimate answer to life, the universe and everything -- all five radio series of The Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy collected together for the first time. From the original Primary and Secondary Phases through to the more recent Tertiary, Quandary, and Quintessential Phases, these are the adventures of Arthur Dent, Ford Prefect, Zaphod Beeblebrox, and their assorted human, robotic, and alien companions. These full cast BBC Radio 4 dramas star Simon Jones, Peter Jones, Geoffrey McGivern, Mark Wing-Davey, Stephen Moore, and Susan Sheridan, with a stellar guest cast including John le Mesurier, Joanna Lumley, Christian Slater, Jackie Mason, Sandra Dickinson, Rula Lenska, Griff Rhys Jones, and Jonathan Pryce.