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FOR NEW READERS: the animated Star Blazers series, and its Japanese "parent" program Space battleship Yamato, have entertained audiences around the world for over 20 years and continue to earn new fans every day. This epic science-fiction saga draws on powerful mythological and archetypical themes to tell a story every bit as sentimental as it is exciting. In this special publication, we focus on the very beginning of this incredible story, up to and including the birth of the Space Battleship Yamato, a symbol of life renewed on the very edge of extinction. And if you enjoy what you find in these pages, rest assured there's plenty more where it came from!

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A WORLD AT WAR, 2199 A.D. — PG. 1-8 A unique look at the fateful decades of interplanetary war between Earth and the Planet Gamilon . . . a war in which humanity occupies the losing side!

Art and color by Tim Eldred & Bruce Lewis

Yamato Databook — Pg. 9-16 Drawings and designs created for the first episodes of the original animated *Space Battleship Yamato* TV series, circa 1974.

BIRTH OF A LEGEND — PG. 17-24
From the ashes of interstellar war, *Yamato* rises anew — and with her the very spirit of humanity!

Art and script by Tim Eldred Color and lettering by Tim Eldred & Albert Deschesne

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2147 SHIPYARD

The Convair spaceyards, Arlington, Texas, USA.



In the winter of 2041, the Gamilon Empire attacked planet Earth. This was no mere act of war; this marked the end of Humanity's childhood and the beginning of its adolescence as a species. Today, as we stand on the threshold of our adulthood, it behooves us to glance over our shoulder and remember what might have been. The photographs collected here are a glimpse into that world of so long ago, when the world was young and the future very much an open question.



2149 PROTOTYPE

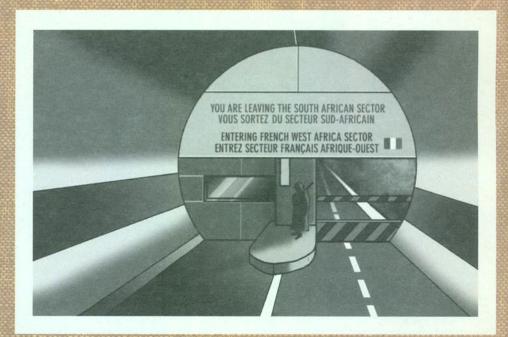
The first proposal for an Earth Evacuation Ship to be built inside the wreck of YAMATO.





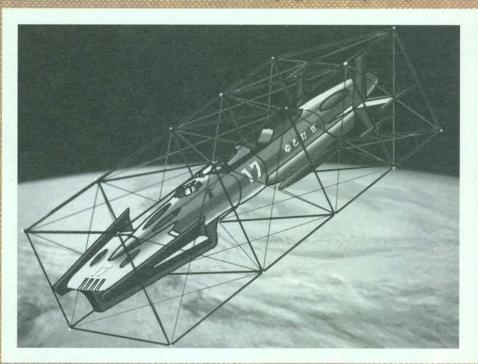
2191 AFRO STATES

Part of the main Zaïre—Cape Town Tunnel, United African States



2171 ORBITAL SHIPYARD

The destroyer Yukikaze in her original gray and silver color scheme, undergoing final assembly over Bogota, Colombia





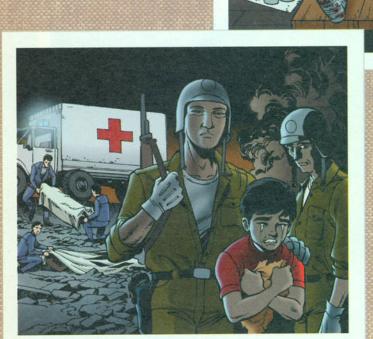


2191 PLANET BOMB

Only known civilian photo of a Gamilon Planet Bomb over midwest United States

2192 CIVILIAN AID CENTER

Great Island, Japan



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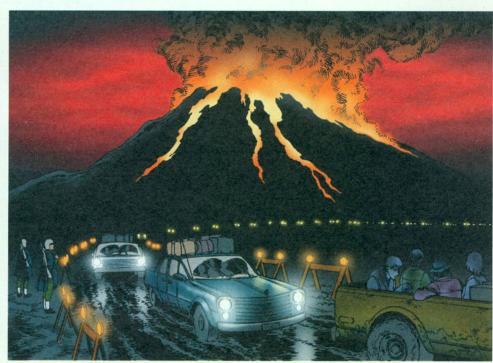
Great Island, Japan



2191 SORTIE

Departure of EDF Fleet under Captain Abraham Avatar, Yokosuka, Japan, 5 April 2191





2192 VOLCANO

Mt. Fuji eruption caused by Gamilon Planet Bomb, 9 August 2192





2193 GOODBYE, SUNSHINE

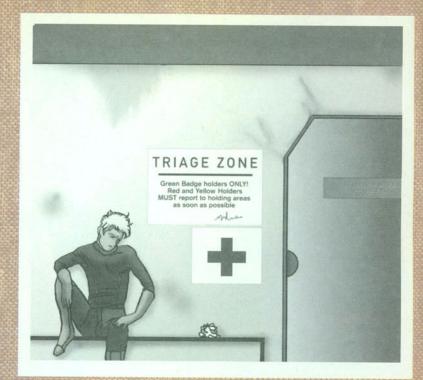
As the surface of the Earth became increasingly saturated with radiation, emigration to the underground cities was widespread. Hardest hit were the children with their natural affinity for sunlight.

2193 MEMORIBILIA





As the War ground on, Gamilon radiation weapons created a health crisis. Patients exposed to 300 rems or more were often denied all medical care, except pain medication, and sent home to die.





Many destroyers sported original "nose art" created by their crews. This was EDS Buran (M-217212), also known as "Batta Up!" at Great Island Yards, November 2197.

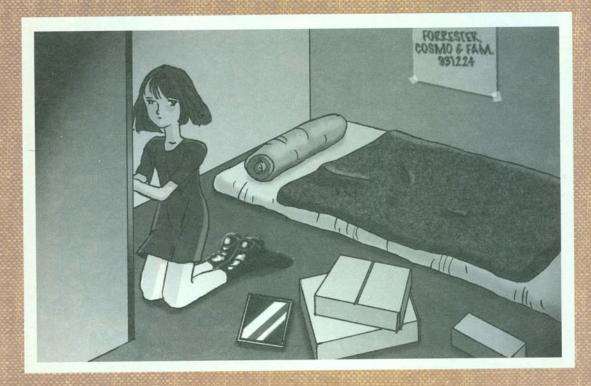


A WORLD AT

Satellite photo of YAMATO superstructure, March 2197.

2197 MOVING DAY

The final consolidation of the surviving world population began in the summer of 2197. The move to the Underground Cities was especially difficult for children.





2199 PARADE

Star Force Farewell Parade, Megalopolis, 5 October 2199





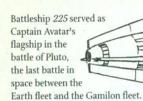
2199 MARCH INTO DESTINY

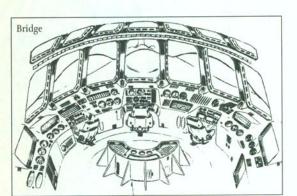
Captain Avatar boards YAMATO, 5 October 2199

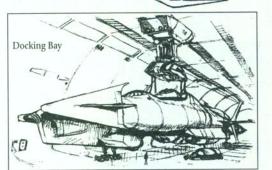
YAMATO 🕆 DATABOOH

EARTH DEFENSE FORCES, CIRCA 2199 A.D.

SPACE BATTLESHIP TYPE M-2174-1

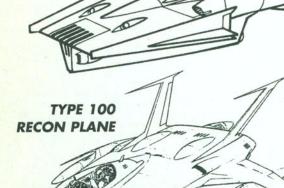


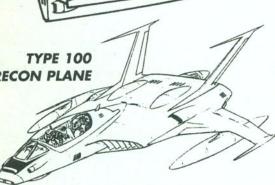




SPACE DESTROYER TYPE M-2188-1

Destroyer Yukikaze/Paladin was under the command of Alex Wildstar in support of Captain Avatar at Pluto.

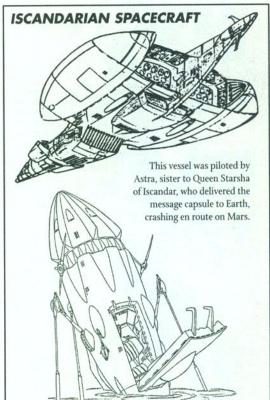




MARS OBSERVATION POST

staffed by EDF cadets Derek Wildstar and Mark Venture







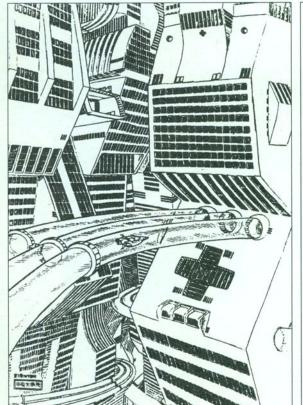
EARTH TECHNOLOGY CIRCA 2199AD

In this time, transportation between sectors of underground cities consists mainly of antigravity vehicles.

Roadways have been largely replaced by pneumatic tubes and elevators.



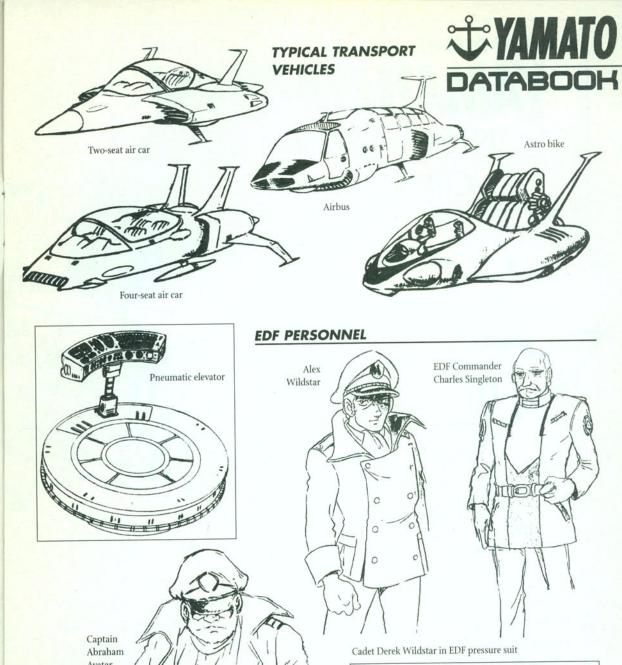
Underground City near Okinawa, Japan.

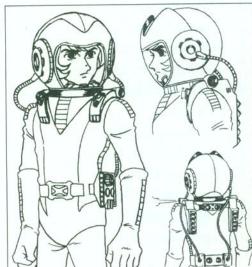


Typical cityscapes

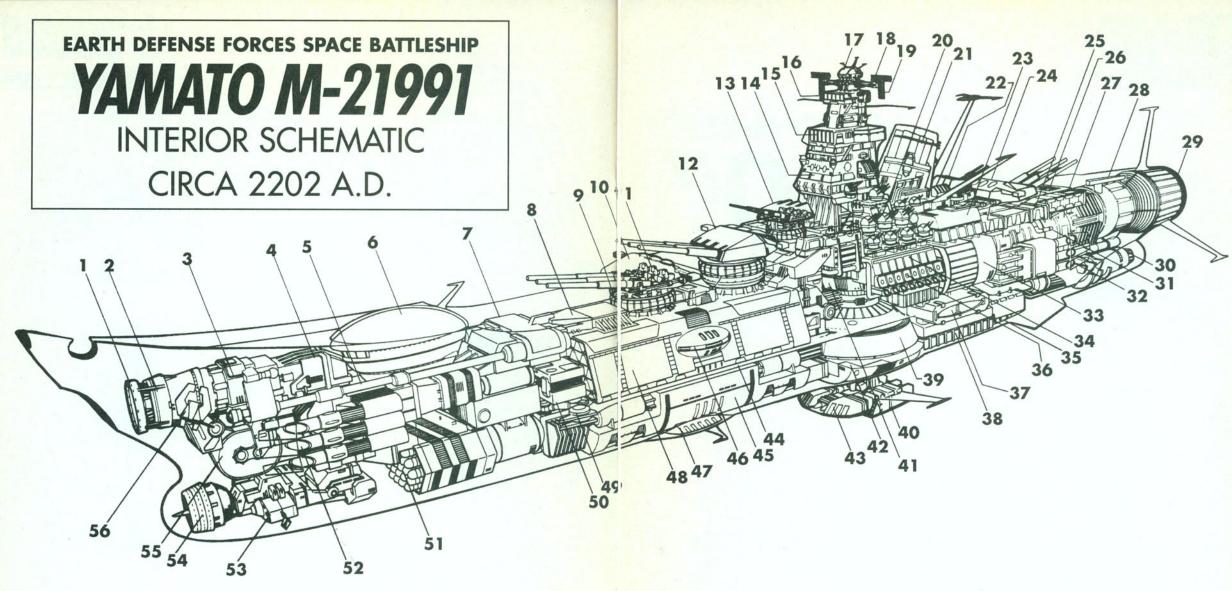


Covert R&D center, beneath rebuilt Yamato hull









- 1. Wave Motion Gun Shutter
- 2. Wave Motion Gun Muzzle
- 3. Wave Motion Gun Operations
- 4. Wave Motion Gun Control Room
- 5. Wave Motion Energy Conduit
- 6. Auto-Pilot Equipment Room
- 7. Wave Motion Energy Condenser
- 8. W-M Cartridge Loading Room
- 9. Gun Turret
- 10. Primary Gun Turret #1
- 11. Auto-Loading System
- 12. Primary Gun Turret #2
- 13. Secondary Gun Turret #1
- 14. Preservation/Conservation area
- 15. Secondary Bridge

- 16. Main Bridge
- 17. Captain's Quarters
- 18. Cosmo Radar
- 19. Wave Motion Energy Detector
- 20. Pulse Laser Batteries
- 21. "Smokestack" Missile Launcher
- 22. Secondary Gun Turret #2
- 23. Cosmo Zero Fighter Bay
- 24. Primary Gun Turret #3
- 25. Cosmo Zero Launch Tubes
- 26. Wave Motion Mine Launchers
- 27. Elevator
- 28. Cosmo Zero Launch Catapult
- 29. Main Engine Nozzle
- 30. Auxiliary Enging Nozzle

- 31. Wave Motion Engine Room
- 32. Aft Missile Tubes
- 33. Power Generator
- 34. Missile Storage
- 35. Cosmo Tiger Launch Tubes
- 36. Flank Missile Tubes
- 37. Torpedo Boat Hangar Bay
- 38. Cosmo Tiger Hanger Bay
- 39. Central Boarding Area
- 40. Boarding Hatch
- 41. Tactical Center
- 42. Secondary Engineering
- 43. Third Bridge
- 44. Wing Housing
- 45. Main Engineering

- 46. Observatory
- 47. Reconnaisance Room
- 48. Crew Quarters
- 49. Wing Pivot
- 50. Wing Operation Mechanism
- 51. Bow Missiles
- 52. Bow Missile Launch Tubes
- 53. Radar
- 54. Time Radar
- 55. Anchor Chain Housing
- 56. Rocket Anchor

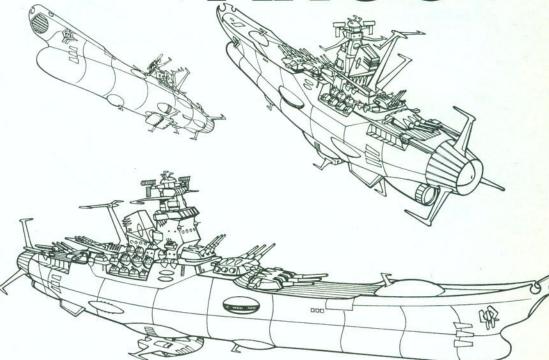
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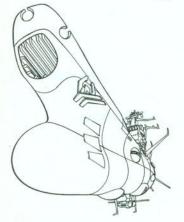


TYAMATO

EDS YAMATO M-21991

"ARGO"





Born from the wreck of the World War II Japanese battleship, space battleship Yamato (nicknamed "Argo") now fights for all of Earth. The home of the Star Force, Yamato serves as a symbol of mankind's hopes and dreams.



Height: 77m Length overall: 265.8 m Beam: 34.6 m Mass: 62,000 t Crew complement: 114

3-3-barrel heavy shock cannons
2-3-barrel standard shock cannons
28-2-barrel pulse laser turrets
6-3-barrel pulse laser turrets
6-4-barrel pulse laser turrets

1 focused energizing wave motion ca 6 bow torpedo launchers

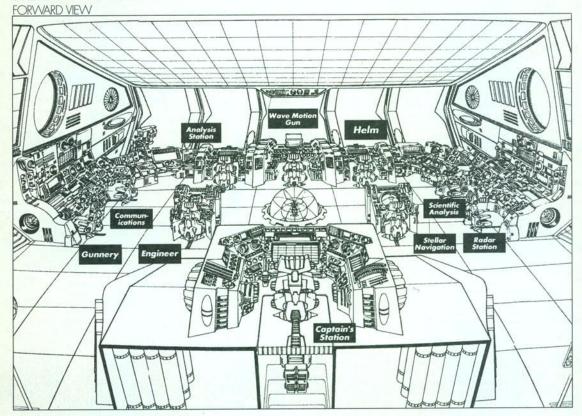
6 stern torpedo launchers

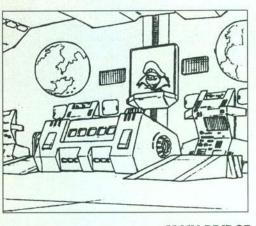
8 stack VLS missile launchers

16 flank missile launchers (8 port, 8 starboard) 2 flank-mounted rocket anchors

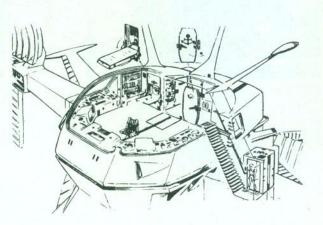
Auxiliary craft [full load]: 55

YAMATO **MAIN BRIDGE**



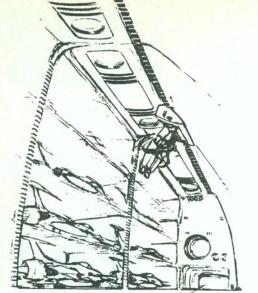






CAPTAIN'S QUARTERS

CUTAWAY VIEW

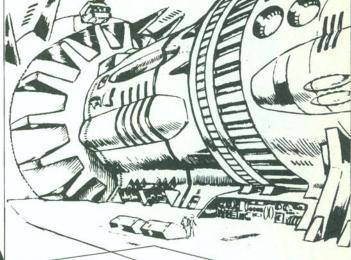


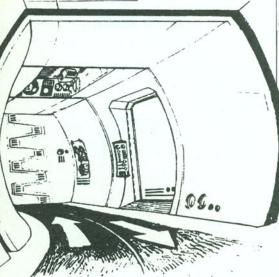
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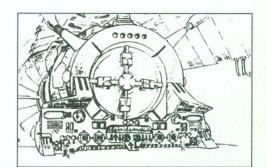
ENGINE ROOM

ASTROFIGHTER

HANGAR DECK

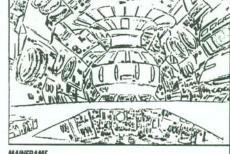




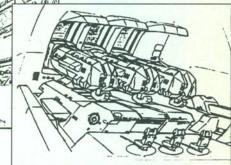


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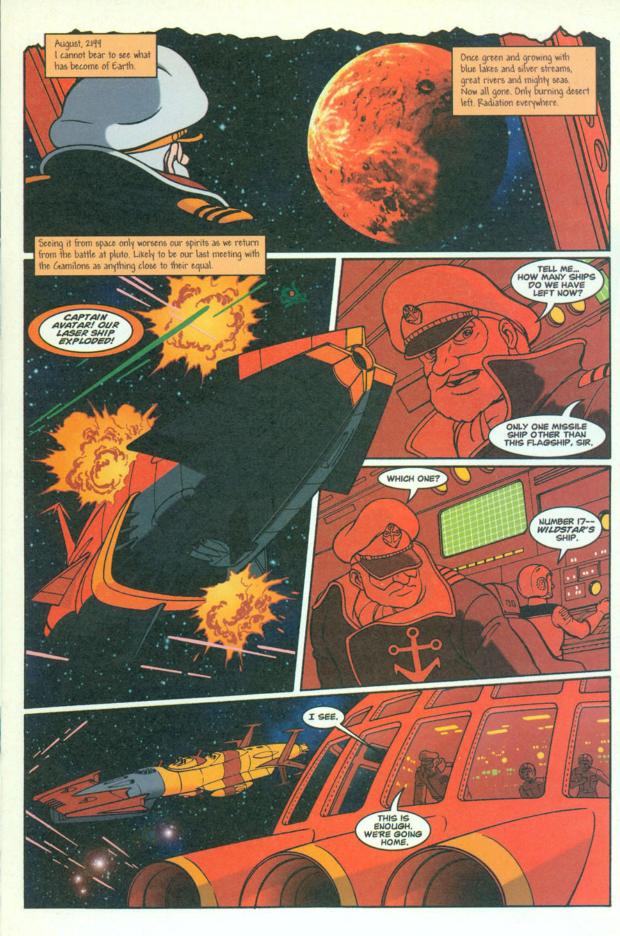


COMPUTER ROOM



SHOCK CANNON

MAIN GUN TURRET





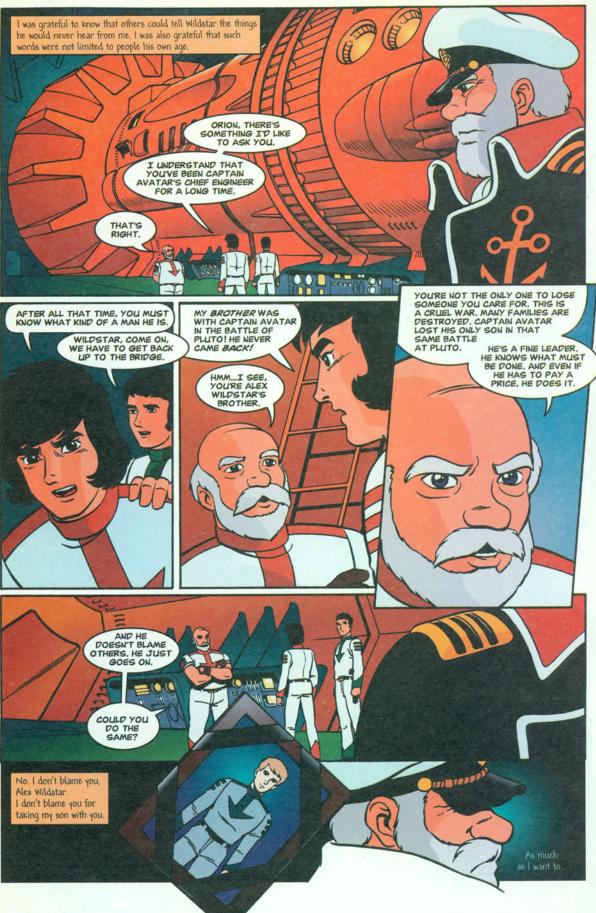




















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