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A Power House PIN-UP



Dr. STRANGE
MASTER OF THE MYSTIC ARTS

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ABOVE: A psychedelic UK-only piece by Barry Windsor Smith he did for the back cover of Terrific #43, a few years before his legendary work on Marvel's Conan The Barbarian.

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BY HOWARD HALLIS



Doctor Strange! The Marvel Master of The Mystic Arts has been seen up until recently as a supporting character in the Marvel Universe -- taking a back seat to A-List superheroes like Spider-Man, Iron Man and The X-Men. Now that the movie has been announced, collectors have shown a new interest in The Sorcerer Supreme.

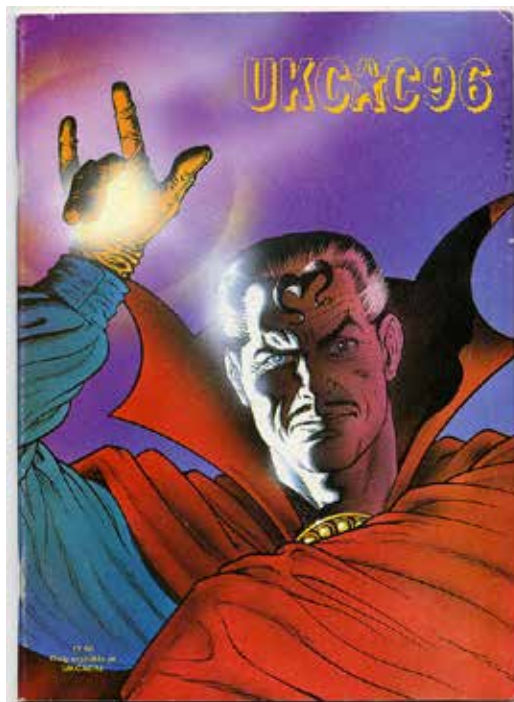
I've been actively collecting all things Doctor Strange since 2002, and have amassed one of the world's largest collections of his comics, prints, posters, cards and collectibles.

Here is an assortment of various Doc items I have found from all over the world, starting with British foreign editions. Enjoy!

PART ONE: THE U.K.



SPIDER-MAN COMICS WEEKLY #23
This UK only cover features dynamic scenes with Spidey, Thor and Dr. Strange.



UK CAC 96 CONVENTION PROGRAM
Bryan Talbot did the fantastic cover for this 1996 UK Comic Convention.



MARVEL SUPERHEROES AND THE OCCULT WINTER SPECIAL
This cover has never been reprinted in America.

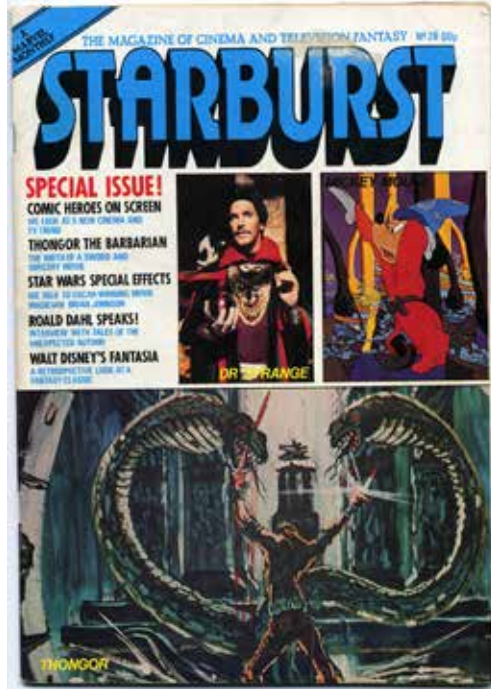
NEXT PAGE: A collection of covers featuring Dr. Strange that never appeared in the US.
FOLLOWING PAGE: British editions of American covers.







- PREVIOUS PAGE: An original 6 page text story from The Marvel Story Book Annual (1967). This hardcover edition was only published in the UK.
- ABOVE: Dr. Who meets Dr. Strange by artist Lee Sullivan from the 1996 UK Comic Con program.
- RIGHT: The Pence copy of Dr. Strange's first appearance in Strange Tales #110. This was the first international variant featuring Doc to ever be made, and despite its condition is one of the highlights of my collection.
- BOTTOM LEFT: A black and white pin-up from Rampage Weekly #3
- BOTTOM MIDDLE: UK mag Starburst #26 (1980) featured the Dr. Strange TV movie on the cover.
- BOTTOM RIGHT: The clear chase variant of the Dr. Strange Marvel Corinthian figure. An extremely rare British toy!



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PART TWO: MEXICO

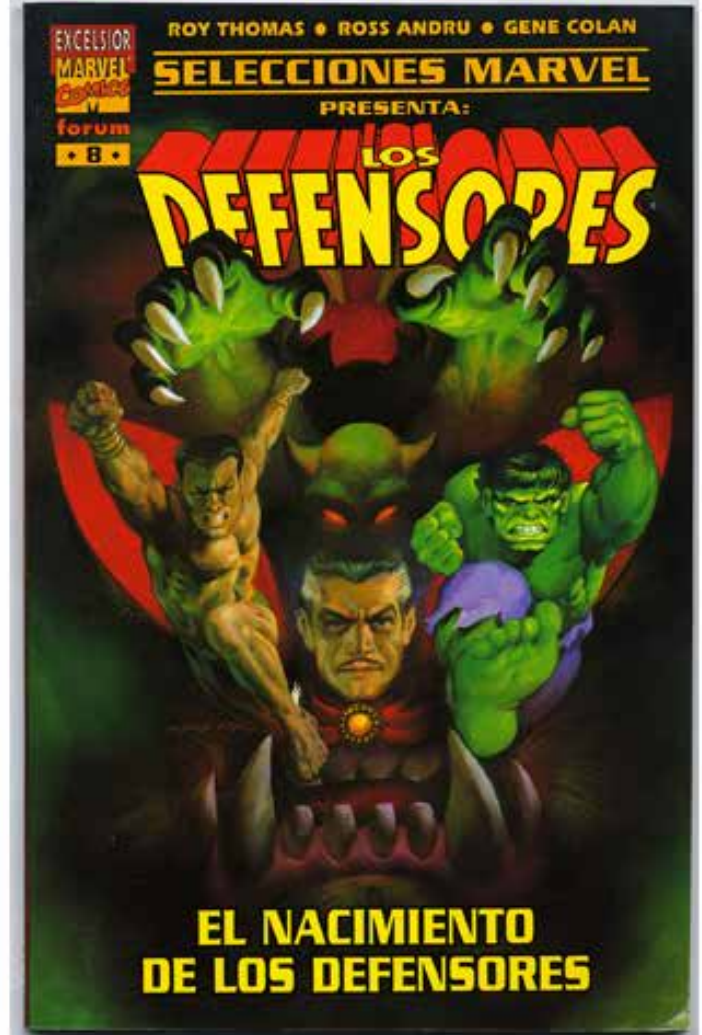
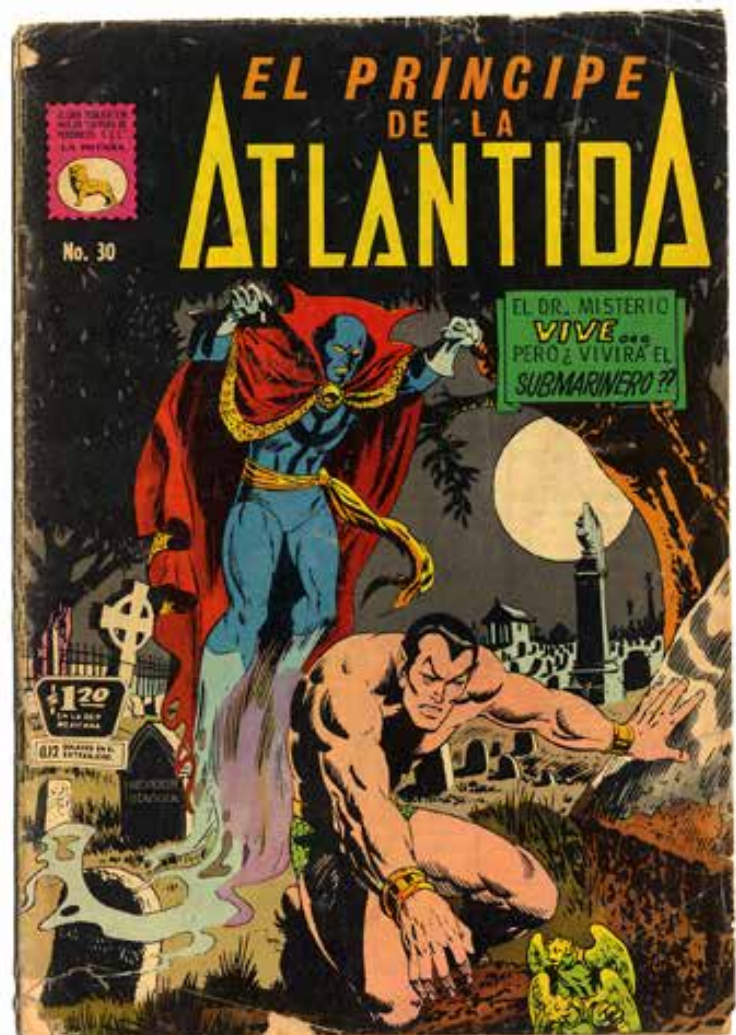
Doctor Centella, as Dr. Strange is known in Mexico, first appeared in *Los Fantásticos* #35, which reprinted the early *Strange Tales* appearances by Steve Ditko and Stan Lee. He later moved on to co-star with Nick Fury and S.H.I.E.L.D. in *Agente Internacional*. Finally the good

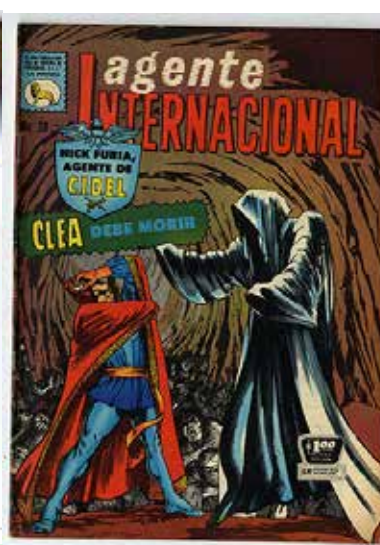


doctor was given his own series. Here's a sample of some Mexican cover variants, along with the cover to #8 of "Selecciones Marvel Presental Los Defensores", which has an original painted cover only printed in Mexico.

Aqui estan...







MY CUSTOM COVER TO LOS FANTASTICOS #35

I created a series of Strange Tales cover variants with Ditko's Dr. Strange featured on the cover instead of The Human Torch. Here's my take on the Mexican version...

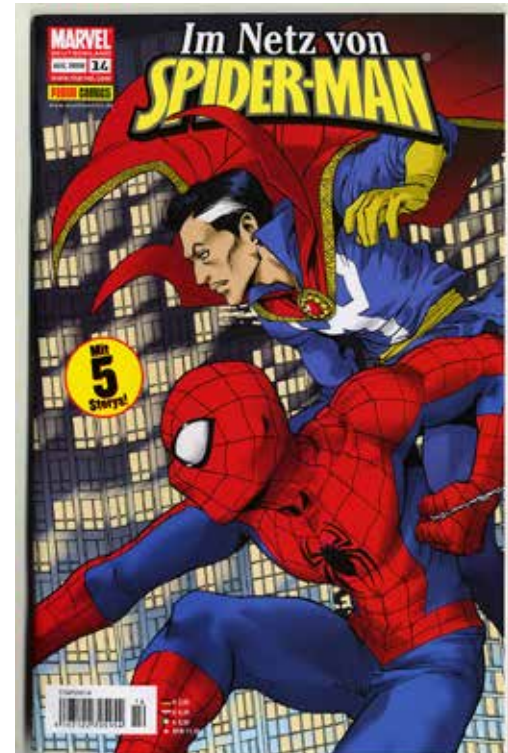
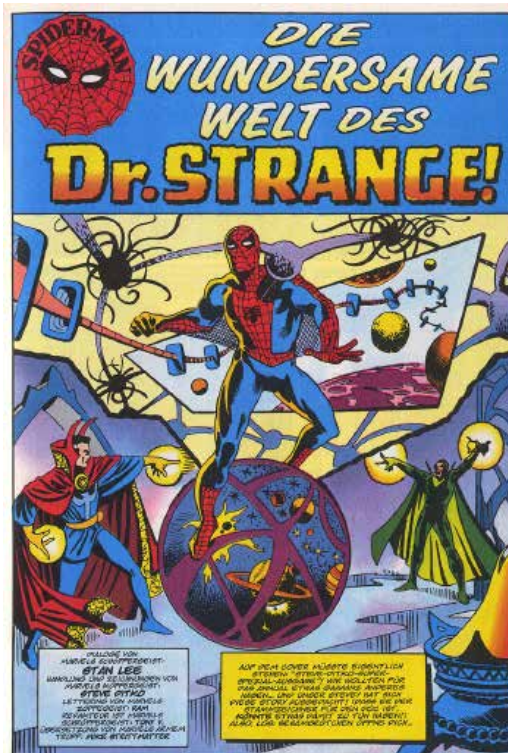


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PART THREE: GERMANY

Here's a selection of some German comics that feature **DER MAGIER: DOKTOR STRANGE!**



GUESS THE BACK COVER



All 12 issues of Der Magier: Doktor Strange have ads for a number of different German Marvel reprints. Can you match the covers with the back covers? HINT: Each back cover has the next issue of Doktor Strange pictured among the other comics... And since #12 was the last issue, that one doesn't have Doc on it. Good luck! Answers are below!



ANSWERS: 1-C, 2-G, 3-H, 4-L, 5-B, 6-I, 7-A, 8-D, 9-K, 10-F, 11-J, 12-E

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PART FOUR: AUSTRALIA



In Australia, Doctor Strange was published by both Newton Comics and Yaffa Comics, which reprinted the stories in magazine-sized black and white reprints similar to British weekly series like Rampage and Mighty World of Marvel.



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PART FIVE: JAPAN & RUSSIA

I've only been able to track down Modern Age items from Russia and Japan that feature any Marvel characters. As far as I know, no Silver Age Marvel Comics have ever been printed there.



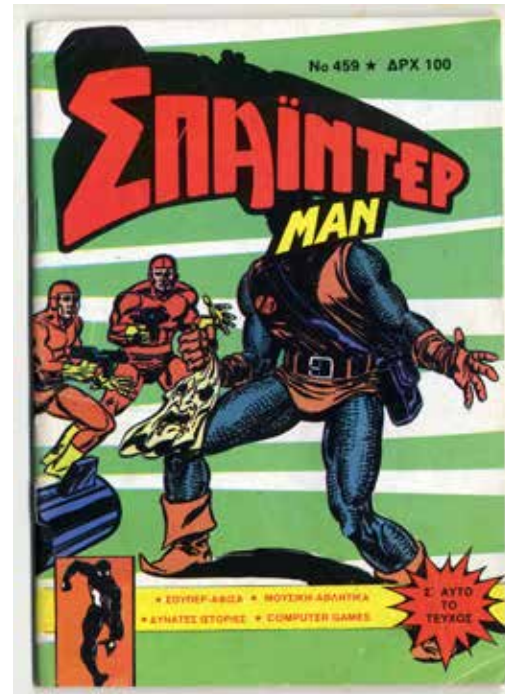
ABOVE: Dr. Strange appeared as a playable character in Ultimate Marvel vs. Street Fighter 3. The Japanese copy a different cover than the American version that featured all the characters from the game, including Doc. RIGHT: A Russian magazine featuring The Defenders. Cover and interior pin-up shown.

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PART SIX: GREECE

LEFT: The splash page from Lee & Ditko's iconic origin story of Doctor Strange, first published in America in Strange Tales #115, as published in Greece in Ena-I-Ntep Man #459. TOP RIGHT: Cover to Ena-I-Ntep Man #459. BOTTOM RIGHT: Greek Graphic Novel reprinting the cover to the Fireside book "Bring On The Bad Guys", which features Dr. Strange arch-nemesis Dormammu.

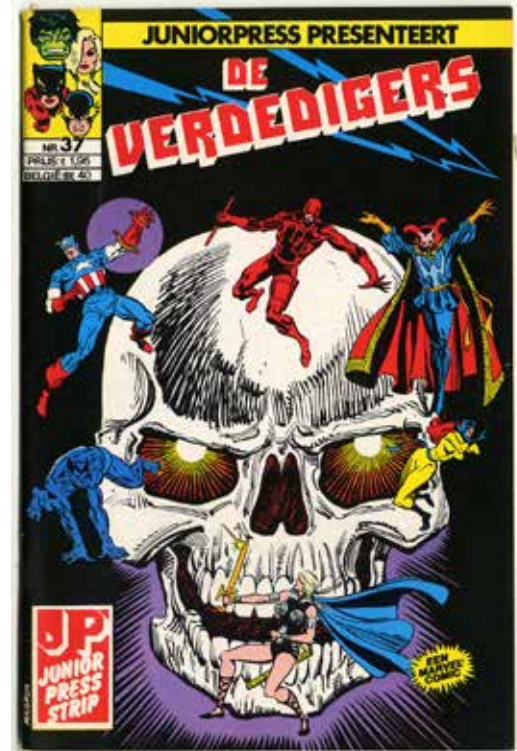


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PART SEVEN: DUTCH COMICS

Dutch comics are published by Junior Press Strip. TOP ROW (left to right): Peter Parker De Spektakulaire Spider-Man #40, Hulk Special #8, and Spiderman #29. BOTTOM ROW (left to right): De Verdedigers #33, 35 and 37.

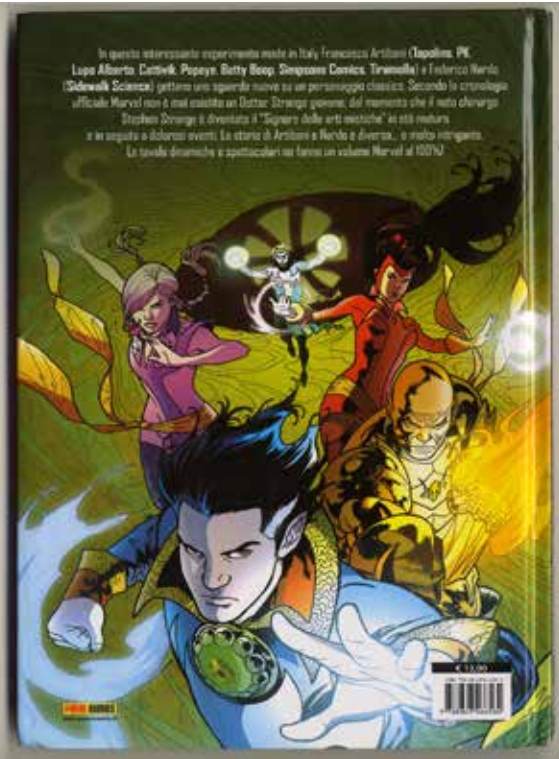


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PART EIGHT: ITALIAN COMICS

YOUNG DOCTOR STRANGE was an Italian-only release that introduced a teenage Master of The Mystic Arts. The book and story has yet to be printed in the US. It was published in Italy as a prestige hardcover graphic novel.



LEFT: I DIFENSORI #1 reprints the first appearance of The Defenders in Marvel Feature #1.

RIGHT: SPIDER-MAN & DR. STRANGE reprint of Marvel Team Up #21 as it appears in an Italian hardcover Spider-Man graphic novel.



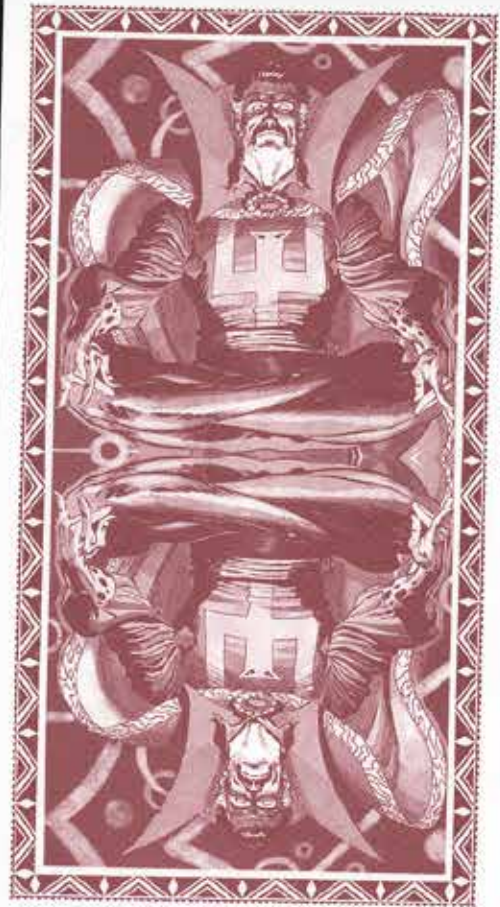
ABOVE: A rare 2-pack set of Dr. Strange #0 and a reprint of L'Uomo Ragno #1. The L'Uomo Ragno #1 is one of the most valuable Italian comic books, selling for \$500 and higher. It also features the first Italian appearances of both Spider-Man and Dr. Strange.

BELOW: Italian reprints of The Defenders. NEXT PAGE: The Marvel Tarocchi Tarot Deck (1995) featured Dr. Strange as The Magician and had his image on the back of each card. This Italian deck is long out of print and extremely rare.



IL MAGO

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Illustrazione
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LO SCARABEO
TAROCCHI D'ARTE

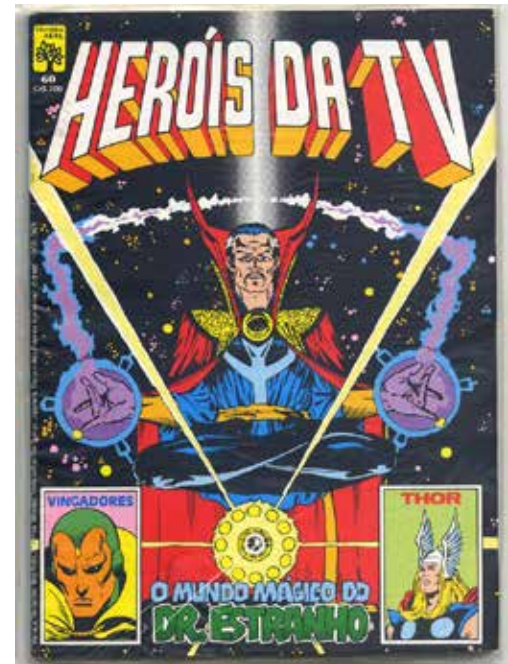


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PART NINE: SOUTH AMERICA

The comics below are all from Brazil, where Doc is known as Doctor Estranho. TOP ROW (from left to right) are some digest-sized full-color reprints: Superaventuras Marvel #2, Almanaque Marvel #1, and Herois Da TV #60. BOTTOM ROW (from left to right) Herois Da TV #91, a regular comic-sized reprint of "What Is It That Disturbs You Stephen?" (O Que E Que Esta Te Perturbando, Stephen?), and a magazine sized reprint of Roger Stern and Mike Mignola's classic "Triumph and Torment" graphic novel starring Dr. Strange and Dr. Doom.





LEFT: An assortment of digest-sized color reprint series from Brazil. TOP LEFT TO BOTTOM RIGHT: Herois Da TV #82, Grandes Herois Marvel #18, Herois Da TV #106, Superaventuras Marvel #6, Superaventuras Marvel #10, and O Incrivel Hulk #51.

BELOW: One of the weirdest items in my collection is a Doctor Strange Rubik's Cube kit from Argentina. It comes with unassembled cube parts, sticker sheets and a small screwdriver to put it all together. Making it even more bizarre: the side of the box features DC Comics characters. Either the kit is a bootleg toy or an extremely "strange" licensed item that features both Marvel and DC production art.



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PART TEN: FRENCH CANADIAN COMICS

These comics were published in Quebec by Les Editions Heritage and feature 2 issues of Doctor Strange in each. Interiors were black and white.



PICTURED ABOVE: Docteur Strange issues #1/2, 3/4, 5/6, 7/8, 11/12, 13/14, 15/16, 17/18, 19/20, 21/22, 23/24, 25/26, 27/28 and an original black and white pin-up from issue #21/22.

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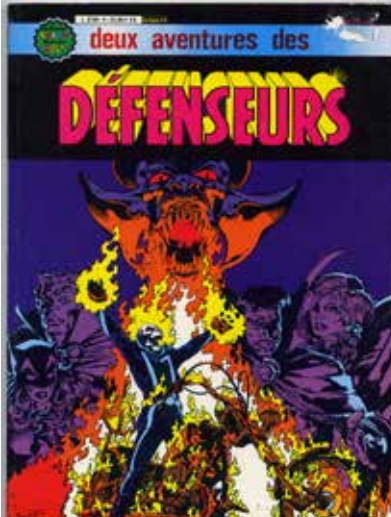
PART ELEVEN: FRANCE

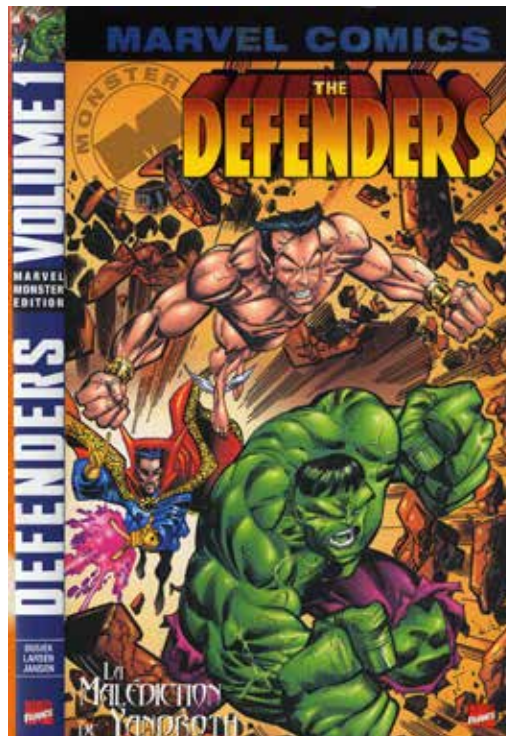
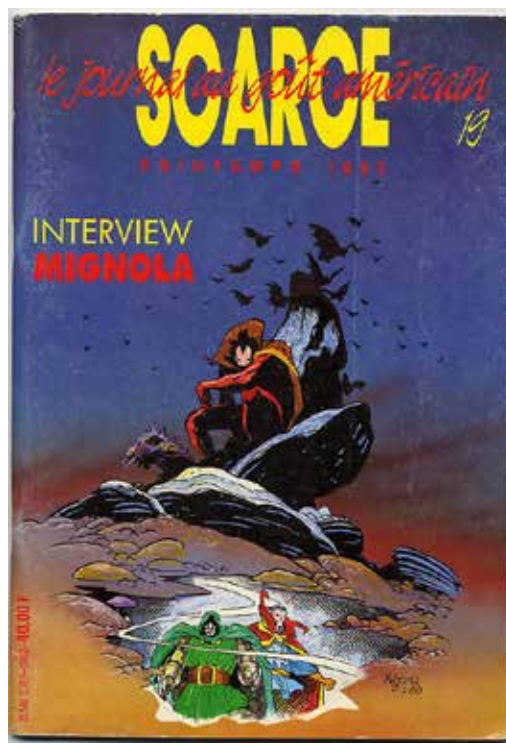
The following pages include a cover gallery of Doctor Strange and Defenders comics published in France. These comics, unlike their French Canadian counterparts, were printed in full color and bound like mini graphic novels instead of stapled. Besides numerous issues of Docteur Strange and Les Defenseurs, I've



also tracked down a few more of Doc's appearances in French Marvel titles like Titans, Strange, and Dr. Strangefate. Also seen here is the French-only bound collection of Erik Larsen's 12 issue Defender's run and the Michael Golden graphic novel "Pour L'Amour De Clea". Bon Appetit!







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PART TWELVE: SPAIN

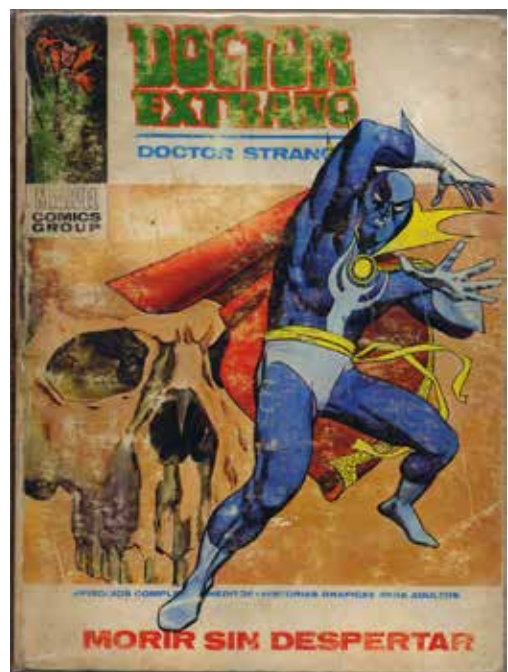
One of my favorite things about collecting foreign editions of Dr. Strange comics is finding covers that are notably different than the American issues they're reprinting. The original run of Dr. Extrano, as he is known in Spain, was published by Ediciones Vertice in

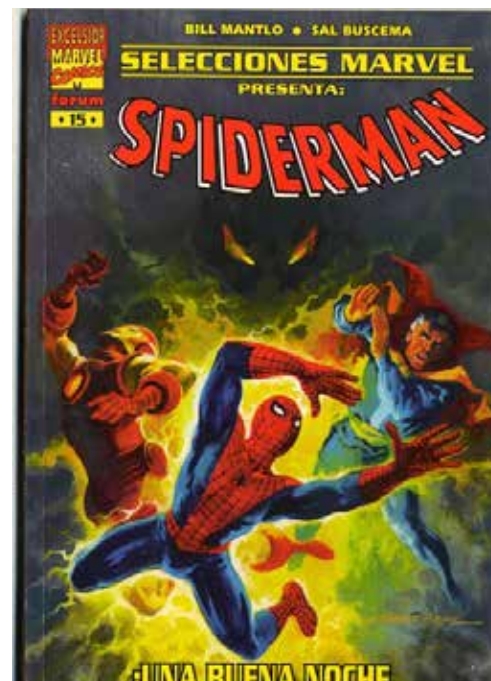
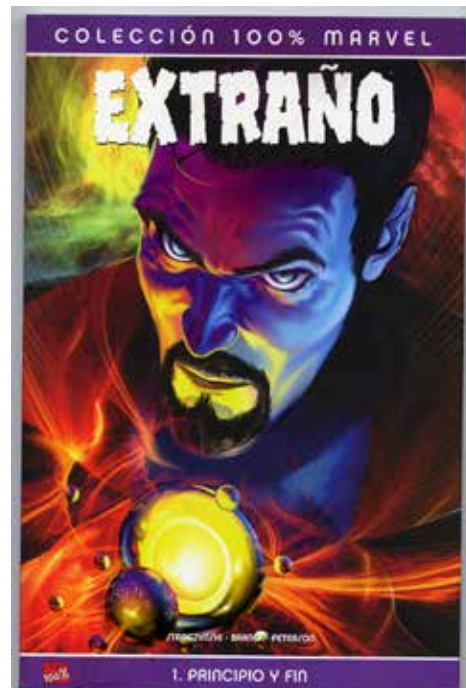


1972 and featured original painted covers. Even though these covers were similar to those published in the US, the added touch of the paint made them highly sought after to me. The following pages include every issue of that 14 issue run, as well as other selections from the 70's all the way up to the modern day.







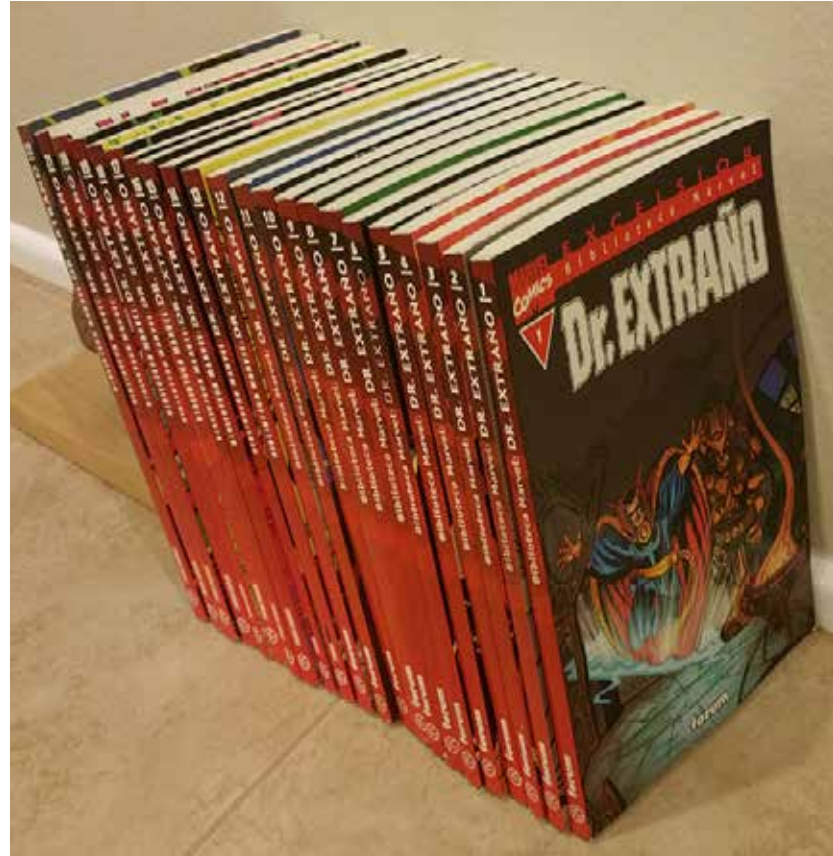


El Boletín

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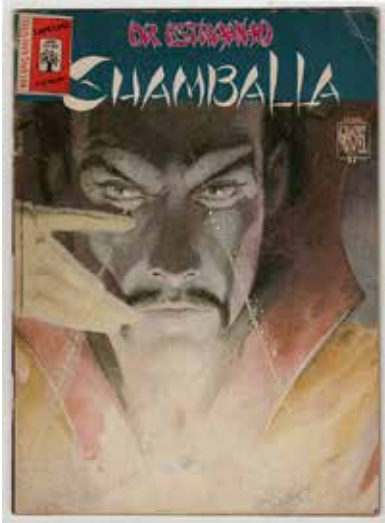
LEFT: El Boletín is a Doctor Strange fanzine from Spain.
BELOW: The complete collection of Dr. Extrano, a series of manga-sized black and white reprints.



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PART THIRTEEN: RECENT ADDITIONS





ABOVE: A British pin-up poster featuring Dr. Strange and Clea