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Search for the Star Stones

By Andre Norton

Baen, \$24.00, 416 pages

Andre Norton is considered one of the most popular science fiction writers of her time, and this volume proves that. *Search for the Star Stones* is actually two books, *The Zero Stone* and *Uncharted Stars*, both appearing together for the first time. This sci-fi adventure follows Murdoc Jern, son of a murdered gem trader, who finds a ring that could fit over the finger of a space suit and holds the key to vast power left behind from an alien species.



Murdoc and his mutant companion Eet, a cat-like species with immense mental powers, must figure out the mystery behind the ring they found, the "Zero Stone," before they themselves are murdered just like Jern's father. And if they don't figure out the secrets, it could spell out their deaths as well as billions of others in the galaxy. This fast paced science fiction adventure is a surefire pick for any Andre Norton or science fiction fan.

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