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## Our Explosive Sun: A Visual Feast of our Source of Light and Life

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Our Explosive Sun: A Visual Feast of our Source of Light and Life is a great introduction to the Sun for general readers as well as scientists who are not solar physicists. This book presents the basic properties of the Sun, describes how it has fascinated humans throughout history, and shows how it influences our current technologies.

Our Explosive Sun includes 143 color illustrations and photos of the Sun, several of which were made especially for the book and have never been published before. Additional material, available via Springer Extras, includes a large number of animations and video material. A PowerPoint presentation of the book is a useful resource for teachers.





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