

# XLII: Patches

Star Wars patches are a popular low-cost collectible. In 1977, there were several unusual patches issued by Factors, including the yellow Star Wars logo patch and a Brotherhood of the Jedi patch (Factors didn't consider that there could be Jedi chicks too). The Official Star Wars Fan Club produced several patches including an *A New Hope* patch based on the Ralph McQuarrie art used on crew stickers and a 10th anniversary, Star Wars First Ten Years patch. For *The Empire Strikes Back* the Fan Club issued a Vader in flames patch also based on a similar crew patch.

Some of the rarest of all patches are the *Empire Strikes Back* sweepstakes prizes from Dixie Cup and Kenner. There is also Kenner internal *Return of the Jedi* patch that is extremely difficult to find. Some of the most highly-coveted patches are covered in the Cast and Crew chapter.

It is extremely easy to construct a patch from a simple pattern or example patch, making it relatively difficult to authenticate copies against an original. As a result, there are known fakes of some of the more prominent Star Wars patches. Overall, this has a dampening effect on values, preventing this category of collectibles from appreciating at the same rates of other categories.

The 501st and Rebel Legions are unofficial Star Wars costuming organizations where fans dress up in outfits of their favorite heroes and villains, as long as their favorite character is a Stormtrooper. These organizations have many chapters (called garrisons, outposts, detachments, bases, and squadrons) that issue patches to their local members, and there is an impressive array of these affiliated chapters all over the world including such places as Brunei, Israel, Costa Rica, Monaco, and Saudi Arabia. There are hundreds of patches from these organizations, and new ones pop up regularly, making the Legion patches a challenging yet fascinating category of collectibles to track down.

There are many specialty patches issued by organizations such as Swedish Star Wars collectors, R2-D2 Central, Rebelscum, DC Metro Fan Club, and even branches of the US Armed Forces. Councils of the Boy Scouts of America have also issued numerous Star Wars-related council strips and Order of the Arrow flaps which continue to the present day, until such time that they introduce a merit badge teaching copyright law.

## A New Hope

### United States

#### Boy Scouts of America

PT00001	Cross Timbers District Cub Scout Field Day 1978.....	50-75.
PT00002	Mid America Council Scout-O-Rama 1978.....	50-75.
PT00003	Yosemite Area Council Cub Day Camp 1978 ....	50-75.

#### Factors

PT00011	Brotherhood of the Jedi - 3in.....	5-10.
PT00012	Brotherhood of the Jedi - 3.5in.....	5-10.
PT00013	MTFBWY-White on Black.....	5-10.
PT00014	Pyramid SW Logo (No TM).....	5-10.
PT00015	Pyramid SW Logo (With TM).....	5-10.
PT00016	Rebel Forces.....	5-10.
PT00017	SW Logo-White on Black - 3.5in.....	5-10.
PT00018	SW Logo-White on Black - 4in.....	5-10.

#### Official SW Fan Club

PT00030	A New Hope, Triangular.....	10-20.
PT00031	SW: The First 10 Years.....	10-20.

## Empire Strikes Back

### United States

#### American Can Co.

PT00100	Dixie Cup Sweepstakes Patch Prize.....	50-75.
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#### Kenner

PT00110	Kenner ESB Sweepstakes Prize Patch ...	50-75.
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#### Official SW Fan Club

PT00120	Darth Vader in Flames.....	20-30.
PT00121	ESB 10th Anniversary.....	5-10.
PT00122	ESB Logo (Red SW Logo Outline).....	5-10.
PT00123	ESB Logo (White SW Logo Outline).....	5-10.

## Revenge of the Jedi

### United States

#### Official SW Fan Club

PT00200	Revenge Logo, Rectangular.....	15-25.
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## Return of the Jedi

### United States

#### Kenner

PT00300	Kenner ROTJ Internal Patch.....	50-75.
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#### Official SW Fan Club

PT00310	ROTJ Logo, Rectangular.....	5-10.
PT00311	Yoda/Return of the Jedi.....	5-10.

## Star Wars Saga

### Australia

#### 501st Legion

PT00400	Anz Garrison Stormtrooper Helmet.....	5-10.
PT00401	In Memoriam TK-5211 Ross Cole.....	5-10.
PT00402	Outpost 42 Stormtrooper Helmet.....	5-10.
PT00403	Terror Australis Squad Stormtrooper as Kangaroo.....	5-10.
PT00404	Terror Australis Squad Stormtrooper Helmet.....	5-10.

### Austria

#### 501st Legion

PT00500	Austrian Outpost.....	5-10.
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### Belgium

#### 501st Legion

PT00600	Belgian Garrison (cross hairs).....	5-10.
PT00601	Belgian Garrison (round with text).....	5-10.
PT00602	Belgian Garrison (round).....	5-10.
PT00603	Fanwars Garrison South Belgium.....	5-10.

### Benelux Countries

#### Rebel Legion

PT00700	Rebel Legion Benelux.....	5-10.
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### Brazil

#### 501st Legion

PT00800	Divisão Brasil.....	5-10.
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## Canada

### 501st Legion

PT00900	Badlands Garrison Alberta Canada .....	5-10.
PT00901	Badlands Squadron Alberta Canada .....	5-10.
PT00902	Canadian Imperial Logo (black border) .....	5-10.
PT00903	Canadian Imperial Logo (gray) .....	5-10.
PT00904	Canadian Imperial Logo (white border) .....	5-10.
PT00905	Canadian Imperial Logo large patch .....	5-10.
PT00906	The Outer Rim Squad British Columbia .....	5-10.

### Rebel Legion

PT01000	Rebel Logo Canada .....	5-10.
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## China

### Unlicensed

PT01100	Star Wars-Force.com Patch - 2.25x3.7in. ....	5-10.
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## Costa Rica

### 501st Legion

PT01200	Costa Rica Outpost .....	10-15.
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## Europe

### 501st Legion

PT01300	501st German-Italian Friendship .....	5-10.
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### Rebel Legion

PT01400	Rebel Legion Europe .....	5-10.
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## France

### 501st Legion

PT01500	French Garrison (black/white) .....	5-10.
PT01501	French Garrison (oval) .....	5-10.
PT01502	French Garrison (round, red/white/blue) .....	5-10.
PT01503	In Memoriam T16661 Jean Christophe Trogneux .....	5-10.
PT01504	French Garrison Remember Celebration III .....	5-10.

### Rebel Legion

PT01600	The Rebel Legion French Base .....	5-10.
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## Germany

### 501st Legion

PT01700	German Garrison (round, black) .....	5-10.
PT01701	German Garrison (round, white) .....	5-10.
PT01702	German Garrison large round patch .....	5-10.
PT01703	German Garrison Shield .....	5-10.
PT01704	German Garrison White Shadows Western Squad .....	5-10.

## Germany/Austria/Switzerland

### Rebel Legion

PT01800	Rebel Legion German Base Yavin .....	5-10.
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## Hong Kong

### 501st Legion

PT01900	Hong Kong Shadow Outpost .....	5-10.
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## Ireland

### 501st Legion

PT02000	501st Legion Clover Leaf .....	5-10.
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## Israel

### 501st Legion

PT02100	Israel Outpost .....	10-15.
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## Italy

### 501st Legion

PT02200	Italiana Garrison Stormtrooper profile .....	5-10.
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### Rebel Legion

PT02300	Rebel Legion Base Italiana .....	5-10.
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## Japan

### 501st Legion

### PT02400

Japanese Garrison (round, blue) .....	5-10.
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### PT02401

Japanese Garrison (round, gray) .....	5-10.
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### PT02402

Japanese Garrison (round, purple) .....	5-10.
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### PT02403

Japanese Garrison (round, red) .....	5-10.
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### Heart

Boba Fett Patch .....	5-10.
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C-3PO & R2-D2 Patch .....	5-10.
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Japanese SW Logo and English ROTJ Logo Patch 2-pack .....	5-10.
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## Malaysia

### 501st Legion

PT02500	Malaysia-Brunei Outpost .....	5-10.
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## Mexico

### 501st Legion

PT02600	Mexico Fighting 501st Legion .....	5-10.
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PT02601	Mexican Garrison Stormtrooper Helmet (gray) .....	5-10.
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PT02602	Mexican Garrison Stormtrooper Helmet (white) .....	5-10.
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## Monaco

### 501st Legion

PT02700	Monaco Outpost (black border) .....	10-15.
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PT02701	Monaco Outpost (black/red) .....	10-15.
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PT02702	Monaco Outpost (gold border) .....	10-15.
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## Netherlands

### 501st Legion

PT02800	Dutch Outpost Stormtrooper Helmet .....	5-10.
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PT02801	Dutch Outpost Stormtrooper Helmets .....	5-10.
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## Philippines

### 501st Legion

PT02900	Philippine Outpost .....	10-15.
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