



This never-before-printed science fiction novel by the original “rocket man,” Dr. Wernher von Braun, combines technical fact with a human story line in the way that only a true dreamer can realize.

This novel takes the reader through the entire adventure – the planning for a Mars mission, the building of the mighty space ships, the long journey, the amazing discoveries made on Mars, and the return home. Gary Holt, former Chief Instructor of Rocket Pilots for the U.S. Space Force, leads a 10-ship multinational team to Mars – a Mars with one surprising difference from our Mars! – and after spending months exploring the red planet, brings his mission home a complete success.

The author's detailed attention to the actions and feelings of the characters – both those who went and those who stayed behind – makes this an adventure of human proportions, rather than merely another fanciful tale.

Written more than half a century ago, this enthusiastic tale of human space exploration, based on detailed and accurate science, has lingered unpublished in von Braun's personal files until now, nearly 30 years after his death and 57 years after it was written.

This exclusive von Braun treasure comes complete with an appendix of his original calculations and technical drawings, made in the late 1940s, on which the story's journey is based.

Following the end of World War II, Wernher von Braun emigrated to the United States and became the driving force behind America's space launch vehicles. Dr. von Braun's team at NASA developed the Redstone booster that launched America's first astronauts, and the mighty Saturn V launch vehicles that sent the Apollo spacecraft to the Moon.