Starry's Sam/Jack Fanfic Starter Pack

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This is not a "best of" list and it is definitely not a "starry's favorite fic" list. Think of it more as a list of fics/authors that (imo) best capture the zeitgeist of SJ fandom. Or an SJ fandom lit review.

Hopefully this is helpful! There's only one rule here: if you find a fic you love, TELL THE AUTHOR YOU LIKED IT. At least give them a heart emoji in the comments. Please.

*mandatory disclaimer: you are responsible for what you read. don't like, don't read.

The Greats

I think reading at least one fic by each of these authors gives you a decent feel for the range of the SJ fandom. I've listed a few specific fics (more suggestions coming soon) but I'd encourage you to browse their author pages and click into whatever summary strikes your fancy!

Authors are listed in approximate chronological order, based on when they first posted SJ fic. Again, this list is non exhaustive and, by definition, incomplete. If you're incensed about something that's missing and want to argue with me, I accept verbal jousting challenges on all socials. If this was helpful, I would love to know!

1990s-2000s

anı

AO3: https://archiveofourown.org/users/anr/pseuds/anr/works?fandom_id=1331

Sally Reeve aka Salr323

AO3: https://archiveofourown.org/users/Salr323

SJD (for older stuff): https://www.samandjack.net/fanfics/viewuser.php?uid=470

- 2001

What would have happened if Sam had survived the Aschen attack and accompanied Jack's note back into the past...?

Possibly the most well-known 2010 episode addition. Written, I believe, before the episode 2001 aired.

- Full Disclosure

She looks at him with that complex expression that's punctuated their relationship ever since Pete barged onto the scene. The one that looks like a question, or a plea – the one he's never really understood and has never dared pursue.

Classic Threads-fic.

- The Dreams We Left Behind

The day Sam Carter marries Pete Shanahan is not the worst day of Jack's life; he's already lived that day. But that doesn't make it easy.

It's angst. It's amazing, gorgeous, beautiful, heartrending angst. Yes, Sam marries Pete. If that squicks you, probably skip this one. If you do read it, bring tissues.

splash_the_cat

AO3: https://archiveofourown.org/users/splash_the_cat

mrv aka Michelle V

AO3: https://archiveofourown.org/users/mrv3000

SJD: https://www.samandjack.net/fanfics/viewuser.php?uid=460

- Knowing

Sam and Jack really should have started talking to each other years ago.

A great character study and a squee-worthy ending.

- Roommates

It's been a while since Jack and Sam have slept with anyone (oh, my!)

mrv does awesome comedic fluff!

literatiwannabe

FFN: https://www.fanfiction.net/u/349907/literatiwannabe

Annerb

AO3: https://archiveofourown.org/users/Annerb/works?fandom_id=1331

FFN: https://www.fanfiction.net/u/763509/Annerb

PepperF

AO3: https://archiveofourown.org/users/PepperF

- Unlahfulliche in Lyhte

Really, when it came down to it, it was Daniel's fault.

A fic probably best known for its title. But it should also simply be known as a classic fake marriage fic!

mrspollifax

AO3: https://archiveofourown.org/users/mrspollifax/pseuds/mrspollifax/works?fandom_id=1331

MissAnnThropic

AO3: https://archiveofourown.org/users/MissAnnThropic
FFN: https://www.fanfiction.net/u/659787/MissAnnThropic

polrobin

FFN (better formatting): https://www.fanfiction.net/u/1554882/polrobin

AO3: https://archiveofourown.org/users/Polrobin

2010s

missparker

AO3: https://archiveofourown.org/users/missparker/pseuds/missparker/works?fandom_id=1331

amaradangeli

AO3: https://archiveofourown.org/users/amaradangeli

ShoeQueen

FFN (more complete catalog): https://www.fanfiction.net/u/4000221/ShoeQueen

AO3: https://archiveofourown.org/users/ShoeQueen

CoraClavia

AO3: https://archiveofourown.org/users/CoraClavia

sharim28

AO3: https://archiveofourown.org/users/sharim28

FFN (for older stuff): https://www.fanfiction.net/u/187211/sharim

Sarah_M

AO3: https://archiveofourown.org/users/Sarah M

professortennant

AO3: https://archiveofourown.org/users/professortennant

2020s

NewCrayons

AO3: https://archiveofourown.org/users/NewCrayons

- A Far Better Fate

Kisses are a far better fate than wisdom. — ee cummings, "since feeling is first."

It's 100k+ words of kissing. It's perfect.

LenaLake

AO3: https://archiveofourown.org/users/LenaLake FFN: https://archiveofourown.org/users/LenaLake

Off World Weddings

Colonel Jack O'Neill knew that he'd encounter his fair share of unexpected situations traveling through the Stargate. He just never would have predicted that one of those unexpected situations would be marrying Samantha Carter, his second in command, in off-world wedding ceremonies.

Repeatedly, and with less reluctance as time went on.

It's 63k words of Sam and Jack accidentally getting married. It's also perfect.

Other Rec Lists

Don't only listen to me! There are plenty of other wonderful folks who have put SJ rec lists together. Here are some other starting points:

- <u>bethanyactually's very awesome rec list</u> (this is where I started with SJ fic!)
- Jess (professortennant)'s also awesome Sam/Jack rec list (part 1 and part 2)
- Annerb's shipper manifesto for het_reccers (if you don't want to read the fics on LJ, most of them will come up on FFN or even AO3 if you search the title + author in Google. If you still can't find them, @ me and I'll help you out.)
- Literally search "best sam/jack fic" or "stargate sam/jack fic recs" in Google
- My Fic Quotes series on Twitter/Tumblr. I did these regularly back in 2022-ish but I do occasionally revive Fic Quotes when I'm in a Canva mood! Most are S/J, although there are some other fandoms in there as well. I always mark what fandom & pairing the fic is for. The <u>Twitter hashtag</u> is the most complete, but if Twitter won't work for you try <u>my Tumblr tag</u>. (Given the way Twitter is going I should probably make sure the Tumblr tag is complete befor the site dies Iol.)

Where to Find More Fic

better descriptions coming soon!

- samandjack.net still running!
- scryer.darklordpotter.net for searching FFN Stargate SG-1 is an indexed fandom!
- Wayback Machine
- zip files in SJ Fic Club discord

Also, the GateWorld lists of SJ fanfic by category and season can be helpful. Sadly, many of the Heliopolis links may be dead, but again, a quick title + author Google search should be able to find the fic.

- Alien Influence Fics
- Alternate Realities, Universes and Timelines
- Apocafics
- Broca Divide Fics

- Cabin Fics
- Children/Pregnancy Fic
- Clone Fics
- Divide and Conquer Fics
- Family Fics (Siblings, Parents, In-Laws)
- Holiday Fics
- Medical (Sub)Plot
- Sam in Atlantis Fics
- Sara O'Neill (Fics that include Sara; Team-fics or S/J ship fics)
- Stranded Off-World
- Team Fics
- Threads Fics (based on or after Threads)
- Together Without Children
- Wedding Fics
- Pre-Series
- Season 1
- Season 2
- Season 3
- Season 4
- Season 5
- Season 6
- Season 7
- Season 8
- Season 9
- Season 10
- Post-Series

Extended Recs

Great SJD authors

coming soon!