

Bande Dessinée Publishers



Major BD publishers

- Glénat (Grenoble, France)
 - Established in 1969, own the rights to long running Franco-Belgian comics magazine 'l'Echos des Savanes'. Published Tcho BD magazine directed by Zep.
 - **Collections** : Bulle noire ; Caractère ; Carrément BD ; Glénat Comics ; Grafica ; Humour ; Investigations ; La Loge noire ; Patrimoine BD ; Tchô ! ; Treize étrange ; Vécu ; Vents d'Ouest ; Zenda
 - **Notable series** : Titeuf, Sambre, Troisième testament, Le triangle secret, : Le baron noir, Bouncer, Le decalogue, Game over, Giacomo C. INRI, Kid paddle, Lou, Max et Nina, Nini patalo, Le prince de la nuit, Nemo, Lone sloane, Les sales blagues de l'écho.
- Dupuis (Marcinelle, Belgium)
 - Established in 1898. Taken over by Média participations en 2004. Play a prominent role in the school of Franco-Belgian BD. Own the rights to long running BD magazine 'Spirou'.
 - **Collections** : Aire libre ; Azur ; Collection du Carrousel ; Carte Blanche ; Empreinte(s) ; Espresso ; Grand Public ; Horizons ; Humour Libre ; Les intégrales Dupuis ; Péché de Jeunesse ; Punaise et puceron ; Repérages
 - **Notable series** Aria, Boule et Bill, Buck Dany, Le choucas, Gaston Lagaffe, les tuniques bleues, Jérôme K. Jérôme Bloche, Largo Winch, Les Schtroumpfs, Lucky Luke, Monsieur Jean, Papyrus, Yoko Tsuno.
- Dargaud (Paris, France)
 - Established in 1936. Were the publishers of French version of 'Journal de Tintin' & 'Pilote' (founded by Goscinny et Uderzo)
 - **Collections** : Cosmo ; Le Dernier Chapitre ; Fictions ; Long Courrier ; Omnibus ; Pilote ; Poisson pilote ; Portraits souvenirs
 - **Notable series** : Achille Talon, Blake et Mortimer, Blueberry, Le Chat du rabin, Le Concombre masqué, le Génie des alpages, Philemon, Iznogoud, Isaac le pirate, Jack palmer, Les épatantes aventure de Jules, Lapinot, Lucky Luke, La Quête de l'oiseau du temps, la Rubrique à-brac, XIII.
- Casterman (Brussels, Belgium)
 - Publisher and printer since 1780 in Belgium. Published 'Tintin' in 1930s and 'Corto Maltese' in 1970s.
 - **Collections** : Écritures ; KСТЯ ; Ligne de vie ; Un monde ; Rivages/Casterman/Noir ; Sakka (manga), 2 Korean BD collections (Manhwa)
 - **Notable series** : Alix, Le chat, Adèle Blanc-Sec, Corto Maltese, le Magasin général, Canardo, les Cites obscures, Lastman, Les 4 as, le Sommeil du monstre, Lefranc.

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- *Soleil* (Toulon, France)
 - Established in 1989. Started by republishing classique BDs and then specialised in Heroic Fantasy. Taken over by Delcourt. Brought out Lanfeust magazine, which is still running today.
 - **Les collections** : Soleil Celtic ; Soleil Levant ; Mondes Futurs ; Terres Secrètes ; 12 Septembre ; Secrets du Vatican ; Culture Comics ; Quadrants ; MDR ; Serial Killer ; Hanté ; Recherche Futurs ; Métamorphose ; Soleil Strawberry ; Soleil Blackberry ; Noctambule ; Venusdea ; 1800 ; Anticipation ; Blue Moon Collection ; Hors Collection ; Arkhanes
 - **Notable series** : Lanfeust de Troy and recurrent series also published in the magazine (Trolls de Troy ; Les Conquérants de Troy ; Luuna ; Marlysa etc.)
- *Futuropolis* (Paris, France)
 - Established in 1972 by Etienne Robial and Florence Cestac, taken over in 1984 by Gallimard. Running until the departure of Etienne Robial in 1994. Tentatively started up again in 1999. Became partners with Soleil, and also with the RMN (coedited with museums such as the Louvre and the Museum of Orsay) on books on the works or on the institutions with 'prestigious' authors)
 - **Collections** : 30x40 ; Copyright ; X, collection directed by Jean-Marc Thévenet ; Gros Nez ; H2O ; Hic et Nunc ; Marracas ; Nouvelle (now out of print)
 - **Notable series** : Bigfoot, Lulu femme nue, Mattéo, Lucille, Petit polio.
- *Delcourt* (Paris, France)
 - Established in 1986, started by publishing translations, collective albums or republishing out-of-print titles. Published Pavillon Rouge between 2001 and 2003 (preprint). Taken over by Soleil in 2011.
 - **Collections** : BD interactive ; Camouflage ; Comics ; Conquistador ; Contrebande ; Encrages ; Ex-Libris ; Humour de rire ; Impact ; Insomnie ; Jeunesse ; Machination ; Mangas ; Mirages ; Neopolis ; Sang Froid ; Shampooing ; Terres de Légendes ; Hors collection.
 - **Notable series** : Donjon, le cycle de Cyann, Julius Corentin Arcquefacques, Les passagers du vent, Tu mourras moins bête.
- *Editions Audie-Fluide Glacial* (Paris, France)
 - Established in 1975 by Gotlib, publishes the long standing monthly Franco-Belgian comics magazine and albums by its authors.
 - **Notable series** : Les Bidochon, Aimé Lacapelle, Cosmik Roger, Georges et Louis, Gai Luron, Idées noires, Superdupont, Bill Baroud, Edika. Lucien.

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- *Les Humanoïdes Associés* (Paris, France),
 - Established in 1974 by Moebius and Druillet to publish *Métal Hurlant*. Established a branch in the US in 1999. Affiliated with DC comics.
 - **Collection themes** : Science-fiction ; fantasy ; adventure ; medieval fantasy ; crime thriller ; comedy ; society ; historic ; erotic.
 - **Notable series** : L'incal, La Caste des méta-barons, Barbarella, Je suis légion, Le bibendum céleste, Freddy Lombard, Lucha libre, Rat's.
- *Paquet* (Geneva, Switzerland)
 - Established in 1996.
 - **Collections** : Asie ; Bao ; Blandice ; Bob et Bobette ; Cabestan ; Calamar ; Calandre ; Carénage ; Cockpit ; Discover ; Ink ; Le p'tit paquet ; Livre ; Mémoire 1939-1945 ; Paquet ; Perfectus ; Single ; Solo.
 - **Notable series** : Lincoln
- *Le Lombard* (Brussels, Belgium)
 - Established in 1946. Affiliated with Tintin magazine. Taken over by Dargaud from 2008.
 - **Collections** : Collections Auteurs Lombard ; collection Stein ; En marge ; Petits délires ; Polyptyque ; Troisième degré ; Troisième vague ; La BD des 7 à 77 ans
 - **Notable series** : Stroumpf, Cubitus, Yakari, Thorgal, Capricorne, Ducobu, La vache, Kinky et Cosy, Jérôme Mouchérot
- *Ankama* (Roubaix, France)
 - Established in 2005 to publish their studio projects (video games and animations). Influenced by manga as well as French authors, and have also published some translations.
 - **Collections** : Dofus ; Wakfu ; Kraken ; Label 619 ; Label Araignée ; Hostile Holster ; Kuri ; Étincelle
 - **Notable series** : Dofus ; Wakfu.
- *Vertige Graphic* (Paris, France)
 - Established in 1987 by three Italian associates and begun by specialising in silk screen printing. Published their first album in 1992. While having published a few translations, they have also published unedited foreign titles. With only a small catalogue, they do not have collections.

Established publishers with BD collections

- *Gallimard* (Paris, France)
 - **Collections** : Fétiches (adaption of an existing novel) ; Bayou
 - **Notable titles and series** : Aya de Yopougon (film adaption) ; À boire et à manger ; Un privé à la cambrousse, Klezmer
- *Actes Sud* (Arles, France)
 - Oriented towards drawings/graphic art (Chantal Montellier) – publishes critical works and primary monographs. Have published a number of translations (Gipi, Paul Hornschemeier, Ted Hok Tak Yeung, Brecht Evens)
 - **Collections** : Acte Sud BD et l’an II.
- *Denoël* (Paris, France)
 - Has published a number of novel adaptations, including translations (Alison Bechdel, Posy Simmons, Joost Swarte , Robert Crumb)
- *L’Harmattan* BD (Paris, France)
 - Specializes in African writers
- *Seuil* (Paris, France)
 - Had an « adult » series, taken over by Casterman. There remains publications in the Jeunesse series, for instance « La Bande des petits » (série des ours nains, by Emile Bravo).
- *Rue de Sèvres* (Paris, France)
 - Established in 2013 as part of the children’s and young people’s publisher, L’école des loisirs. Catalogue suited for all audiences. Adaptions of literature (Le Horla, Arsène lupin, l’Iliade, ...). Many translations (Tomoji, Taniguchi et the sculptor, Scott McCloud)

Smaller independent publishers

- *L'Association* (Paris, France)
 - Established in 1990 by a group of authors. After friction in the group in 2011, a few of the founders left the project. Interest in innovation : Oubapo, Comix 2000
 - **Collections** : Éperluette ; Ciboulette ; Patte de mouche ; Mimolette ; Espôlette.
 - **Notable series and authors** : Persépolis, L'ascension du Haut mal, Pascin, Krokodil comix, first publications of Lewis Trondheim and in the last few years Ruppert et Mulot
- *Cornélius* (Bègles, France)
 - Established in 1991. Associated with l'Association but managed by one individual. Importance placed on the fabrication of the books themselves.
 - **Collections** : Pierre ; Solange ; Paul ; Louise ; Blaise ; Raoul ; Delphine ; Sergio ; Jean-Jacques ; Victor ; Lucette.
 - **Notable series and authors** : Francis Blaireau Farceur, James Bonk (jeunesse), Pierre La Police, Blanquet, Ludovic Debeurme, Blutch, Willem, Gus Bofa
 - **Republished translations** : Crumb, Clowes, Burns, Mizuki, Tezuka, Kurihara, Ted Stearn.
- *Atrabile* (Geneva, Switzerland)
 - Established in 1997 in Switzerland. Published the periodical magazine Bile Noire until 2011.
 - **Collections** : Bile blanche ; Fiel ; Flegme ; Ichor ; Lymphé ; Sang.
 - **Notable authors and series** : Lupus, Ibn Al Radbin, Baladi, Frederick Peeters, Jason, Pierre Wazem, Tom Tirabosco
- *6 pieds sous terre* (Montpellier, France)
 - Established in 1995. Published the periodical magazine Jade, but stopped being produced in January 2015, without any more publications on the horizon.
 - **Collections** : Blanche ; Plantigrade ; Monotreme ; Céphalopode ; Lépidoptère ; Arthropode.
 - **Notable authors and series** : adaption of the crime novel series, Le Poulpe, Nikola Witko, David Vandermeulen, Pierre Maurel, Guillaume Bouzard, Ambre, James, FabCaro.

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- *Cambourakis* (Paris, France)
 - Established in 2006.
 - **Translations** : Asia (China and Korea), Northern Europe (Sweden and Finland) America (Jason Shiga, Ivan Brunetti)
 - **Authors**: Vincent Gravé ; Eléonore Zuber ; Jérémie Dres ; Zeina Abirached ; Simon Spruyt
- *Éditions FLBLB* (Poitiers, France)
 - Established in 2002. Has published fictional BD, documentaries, travel journals and flip-books. Periodical magazine Flblb has stopped being produced from January 2003.
 - **Series and collections** : Petite histoire des colonies françaises ; Jérôme d'Alphagraph
 - **Authors** : Grégory Jarry, Otto T., Rémi Gendarme, Nylso, Oh Yeong Jin ; Rémi Lucas ; Ype Driessen
- *Ego comme x* (Paris, France)
 - Established in 1994. Specialises in autobiographical novels, personal journals, memoirs, testimonies, etc. Has offered a solution of print-on-demand BDs since 2011. Last issue of « Ego comme » published May 2003
 - **Authors** : Fabrice Neaux , Frédéric Boilet, Lucas Méthé, Xavier Mussat, Frédéric Poincelet (translations from US English : Jeffrey Brown James Kochalka)
- *Les Requins Marteaux* (Bordeaux, France)
 - Established in 1991 by a group of BD authors. Published periodical magazine Ferraille (27 editions between 1996 and 2006). Both a BD publisher and an artistic collective. Held two prominent exhibitions (Supermarché Ferraille et Musée Ferraille.) and produced films.
 - **Series and collections** : in partnership with Cornélius Editions : Franky & Nicole *Franky N°1, Nicole N°2, Franky N°3, Nicole N°4* ; BD cul (erotic work by traditional authors)
 - **Authors** : Blexbolex , Guillaume Guerse, Morgan Navarro, Marc Pichelin, Winshluss, Nix, Tanxxx, Mathieu Sapin, Yan Lindingre

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- *Rackham* (Paris, France)
 - Established in 1989. In N&B. Majority of publications are translations (Joe Sacco, Peter Badge, Tony Millionaire)
 - **Authors** : Thomas Thorhauge, Sébastien Gnaedig, David Vandermeulen, Morvandiau, David Rubín
 - **Series** : translation of Sin City
- *Les Rêveurs* (Montreuil, France)
 - Established in 1997, directed by Manu Larcenet. Republication of KRAZY KAT (Herriman)
 - **Les collections** : On verra bien ; C'est tout vu ; M'as-tu vu ; Pas vu pas pris
 - **Authors**: Larcenet, Baru, Carlos Nine, Eric Salch
- *La boîte à bulles* (Massy, France)
 - Established in 2003. Publication of young authors, many on their first album.
 - **Collections** : Contre-jour ; Contre-pied ; Champ livre ; Faits divers ; Contre-coeur ; Hors champ ; Clef des champs ; La Malle aux images ; Les Carnets de la Boîte à Bulles.
 - **Authors**: Nancy Peña, Clément Baloup, Jean-Luc Coudray, Sylvain-Moizie, Nicolas Wild
- *Même pas mal* (Marseille, France)
 - Established in 2006.
 - **Authors** : Bathroom Quest, Ben Dessy, Besson, Cha, Nicolas Poupon, O. Texier, Pixel Vengeur, Tanxxx, Terreur Graphique

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- *Editions 2024* (Stasbourg, France)
 - Established in 2010.
 - **Authors:** Mathias Picard, Léon Maret
- *Warum* (Paris, France)
 - Established in 2004.
 - **Collections :** Civilisation ; Décadence
 - **Authors :** Aude Picault, Benoît Preteseille, Loïc Sécheresse, Stéphane Melchior-Durand, Wandrille
- *Vraoum* (Paris, France)
 - Established in 2008 as a Warum label, directed more at all audiences.
 - **Collections :** Autobiographie ; Heromytho ; Bête comme chou ; ConConcep
 - **Authors :** Aseyn, Bastien Vives, Emmanuel Reuzé, GAD, Laurel, Lilla, Lommsek, Louis-Bertrand Devaud, POCHEP, Terreur Graphique, YODAblog
- *Onapratut* (Noisy-le-Grand, France)
 - Established in 2002, originating from BD sites Fanzinat and Blogosphère. Has published the collections of authors found on blogs.
 - **Collection :** Alambic
- *Sarbacane* (Paris, France)
 - Established in 2003, and publishing BDs for young people from 2007

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- *Editions Emmanuel Proust* (Paris, France)
 - **Collections** : Trilogies ; Atmosphères ; Petits meurtres ; Ciné 9 ; EP Jeunesse ; Atmosphères sport
 - **Notable series and collections** : AmeriKKKa , Agatha Christie BD adaptations, Auschwitz
- *Les ronds dans l'O* (Vincennes, France)
 - Publishes BDs and illustrated books for young people as well as testimonies
 - **Authors** : Loïc Dauvillier, René Follet, Marc Lizano, Robin Walter
- *Editions de la Gouttière* (Amiens, France)
 - Oriented towards children BD and thematic collections to be used for teaching
 - **Authors** : Loic Dauvillier, Marc Lizano, Léa Mazé, Alain Kokor...
 - **Collection themes** : La crise, quelle crise, Cicatrices de guerre(s)
- *Ça et là* (Bussy-Saint-Georges, France)
 - Established in 2005. Specialises in the work of foreign writers.
 - **Notable titles**: Liz Prince, Dash Shaw, Mana Neyestani, Aisha Franz, Henrik Lange, Ville Ranta
- *Editions de la Cerise* (Bordeaux, France)
 - Publishes translations and a periodical magazine, Clafoutis
 - **Authors** : Guillaume Trouillard
- *Akileos* (Talence, France)
 - Publishes translations but not exclusively
 - **Authors** : Edouard Cour, Aurélien Rosset.