



Unlike most, I began watching Downton Abbey on Amazon Prime long after the critically praised series had finished it's second season run. I had heard it was fantastic, and it is, but I had not found the time to get caught up in the hoopla and missed watching it as it aired on PBS. Apparently that was a good thing.

According to rabid fans of the show, their posts dating back to when the show first aired on American television, the show had been poorly edited and whittled down a fraction of itself. Internet rants were posted, fists, somewhere, shook with fury. Then when the show made its way to DVD people were confused about what version to buy. There was a cut version and a version titled The U.K. Version, which was the show in its complete form. Being the late guy I didn't happen to come across the US version at all on Amazon, only the UK Version. So what's the difference?

Well, it looks like the only versions of the shows that exist, on Amazon anyway, are the original UK versions. They were released individually by season and then again, at the beginning of this month, as a two season prepackaging that includes the same bonus features, including the Downton Abbey Christmas Special, located on the Season 2 disc collection. This Seasons One and Two set are marked as Limited at priced reasonably. So, if you do not already own the series on DVD and love the show then I would highly suggest a purchase.

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