

SECRET WARS

THE MULTIVERSE WAS DESTROYED!

ALL THAT REMAINS IS **BATTLEWORLD**: A MASSIVE, PATCHWORK PLANET COMPOSED OF THE FRAGMENTS OF WORLDS THAT NO LONGER EXIST, MAINTAINED BY THE IRON WILL OF ITS GOD AND MASTER, VICTOR VON DOOM!

AFTER FAILING TO OVERTHROW DOOM, THE RED SKULL WAS SENT OVER THE SHIELD AS PUNISHMENT. ALTHOUGH DECLARED DEAD, HE BECAME A SYMBOL OF DISSENT FOR DENIZENS OF BATTLEWORLD WHO BELIEVED HIM TO BE ALIVE. IN RESPONSE, DOOM TASKED A TEAM OF CRIMINALS TO RETRIEVE PROOF OF RED SKULL'S DEMISE IN RETURN FOR THEIR FREEDOM.

UPON VENTURING PAST THE SHIELD, ALL BUT MAGNETO WERE LOST TO A ZOMBIE HORDE. OVERWHELMED AND ALONE, MAGNETO WAS RESCUED BY NONE OTHER THAN THE RED SKULL HIMSELF! THOUGH INITIALLY RELUCTANT, RED SKULL AND ANNIHILUS RESTORED HIS POWERS OF MAGNETISM AND MAGNETO WAS CONVINCED TO HELP THEM DESTROY THE SHIELD—AND DOOM—FOREVER!

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THE DEADLANDS.





DESTROY THE SHIELD!



FIRST THIS CURSED SHIELD AND THEN DOOM AND ALL HIS PRECIOUS KINGDOMS WILL FALL!



HOLD, RED SKULL! THE SHIELD WILL NOT FALL THAT EASILY. LET US FIRST SEE WHAT TRICKS THEY HAVE TO DEFEND IT.



THE RUMORS WERE TRUE... DAMMIT!
RED SKULL IS ALIVE!

IT APPEARS THAT HE MADE SOME KIND OF DEAL WITH ANNIHILLUS' BUGS, COMMANDER BRAND.

AND HE HAS A MAGNETO WITH HIM!

IF THE TWO OF THEM ARE WORKING TOGETHER... BATTLEWORLD IS LOST!

DO WE CONTACT THE THORS?

MIGHT ALREADY BE TOO LATE!



BLAM
BLAM

BANG BANG BANG BANG BANG

WHAT DO WE DO, MA'AM?



BLAM

FIRST, NEVER CALL ME MA'AM AGAIN, UNLESS YOU WANT TO FIND YOURSELF ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE SHIELD.

SECOND, WHAT DO YOU THINK...?