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**Galvatron** is a name adopted by several [fictional characters](/wiki/Fictional_characters) in the [Transformers](/wiki/Transformers) franchise. He is usually the recreated form of [Megatron](/wiki/Megatron), the [Decepticon](/wiki/Decepticon) leader; however, it has been used for separate and unrelated characters, most notably the main villain of the anime series *Beast Wars II* (who was not a former Megatron, but instead an unrelated Predacon), and the character from the more recent [IDW Publishing](/wiki/IDW_Publishing) G1 series (in which he was an ancient Cybertronian from the Dead Universe).

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## Transformers: Generation 1[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=1)]

[Template:Transformers character](/wiki/Template:Transformers_character) Powerful and intelligent, although with questionable sanity, Galvatron's primary weapon is his particle accelerator cannon, mounted on his right arm, which can fire blasts of assorted types, including electrochemical energy and particle beams. He transforms into a futuristic laser-cannon emplacement (similar to a [Howitzer](/wiki/Howitzer)) and can, on rare occasions, assume the form of a laser pistol, shrinking as he does so to allow other beings to wield him (an ability never used in the animated series, although it was occasionally used in the UK comic series).[[1]](#cite_note-1) Galvatron's toy tech spec identified him as a city commander, much like the [Autobot](/wiki/Autobot) toy [Ultra Magnus](/wiki/Ultra_Magnus). The bio fails to indicate whether or not he is a recreated [Megatron](/wiki/Megatron), instead mentioning that he is both "determined to lead the Decepticons" and that he "plots against his allies".

Galvatron in the cartoon has shown to be more violent to his subordinates than his past self Megatron. Throwing them aside, kicking them while they're down, even going as far as attack both the Autobots and his own Deceptions out of blind rage—all while spewing venomous insults and death threats.

### Reception[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=2)]

Galvatron of the Marvel UK comics was rated the number 5 comic book villain by Lester Wong of GameAxis Unwired magazine.[[2]](#cite_note-2)

### ''The Transformers: The Movie''[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=3)]

Galvatron makes his debut in [*The Transformers: The Movie*](/wiki/The_Transformers:_The_Movie). On the [Decepticons'](/wiki/Decepticon) return journey to [Cybertron](/wiki/Cybertron) following their attack on [Autobot City](/wiki/Autobot_City) in the Earth year 2005, a mortally wounded, but still functional [Megatron](/wiki/Megatron) was jettisoned into space along with several other fallen Decepticons in order to reduce [Astrotrain's](/wiki/Astrotrain) mass to reach [Cybertron](/wiki/Cybertron). The end seemed to be near for Megatron—but it was not to be, as he was summoned by [Unicron](/wiki/Unicron), who [made him an offer](/wiki/Deal_with_the_Devil) - in return for Megatron's service, he would give him a new body and new troops to command. Facing destruction as an alternative, Megatron agreed to Unicron's offer, and was reformatted into a new, more powerful body, being rechristened as Galvatron. Commanded by [Unicron](/wiki/Unicron) to destroy the [Matrix of Leadership](/wiki/Matrix_of_Leadership), Galvatron first returned to [Cybertron](/wiki/Cybertron) to settle a score with [Starscream](/wiki/Starscream), who had set him adrift in space and was now being crowned as the new Decepticon leader in a pompous ceremony. Demonstrating his new power, Galvatron obliterated Starscream with a single blast from his new cannon mode. The other Decepticons quickly accepted Galvatron as their leader. Unicron's subsequent consumption of Cybertron's moons enraged Galvatron, but when Unicron mentally tortured him to put him in his place, Galvatron submitted. Leading another attack on Autobot City, he pursued Ultra Magnus and the Autobots to the [Planet of Junk](/wiki/Junk_(Transformers)), where he seized the Matrix from [Ultra Magnus](/wiki/Ultra_Magnus), and attempted to use its power against Unicron. Unable to open the Matrix, Galvatron was powerless as Unicron transformed and attacked Cybertron with his bare hands. Unicron swallowed Galvatron in contempt, while swatting away Cybertron's Decepticon defenders like flies. Shortly thereafter, a group of [Autobots](/wiki/Autobot) entered Unicron's body, where the youthful [Hot Rod](/wiki/Hot_Rod_(Transformers)) encountered the humiliated Decepticon leader. Although Galvatron initially proposed an alliance with the Autobot against Unicron, he was once again tortured mentally by Unicron, who tells him to destroy Hot Rod otherwise Galvatron himself will be obliterated. Galvatron weakly agrees, still accepting Unicron as his master, and then engaged Hot Rod in battle. Galvatron quickly attained the upper hand over the smaller Autobot. However, when Hot Rod seized the Matrix from Galvatron, he was reformatted into the much larger and more powerful [Rodimus Prime](/wiki/Rodimus_Prime). Rodimus easily defeated Galvatron and hurled him through Unicron's armor and into the void of space, before unleashing the power of the Matrix and destroying Unicron.

### Animated Series[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=4)]

Now leaderless and forced off Cybertron by the Autobots, the Decepticons retreated to the ruined world of [Chaar](/wiki/Chaar), where they bickered and fought amongst each other over their limited energon resources. Galvatron's Unicron-created lieutenants, Cyclonus and Scourge, set out to find their leader. Using the information stored in Unicron's memory banks, they traced Galvatron to the planet [Thrull](/wiki/Thrull). They found him immersed in a pool of [lava](/wiki/Lava)-like plasma, and rescued him only to discover that the plasma had seeped into Galvatron's head casing and the heat had permanently damaged his "[metaprocessor](/wiki/Brain)", causing him to go irreversibly insane.

When the [Hate Plague](/wiki/Hate_Plague) began to sweep the universe, Galvatron was able to avoid infection initially, teaming up with the resurrected [Optimus Prime](/wiki/Optimus_Prime) in order to recover a protective alloy that would shield the user from the plague's effects. Somewhat ironically, when Galvatron first saw the effects of the Plague at the Morgans' lab, he uttered that the infected Autobots and some of his fellow Decepticons had "all gone mad," and that said lab with the infected Transformers was no place for him. However, he became infected in the process of recovering the alloy, but was eventually cured along with all the other victims of the plague when Optimus Prime unleashed the power of the Matrix. It also seemed that Galvatron may have actually been cured of his own inherent insanity, as he refused to continue the conflict there and then, and shook Prime's hand, saying that he had earned his respect.

A year later, however, in 2007, the short truce ended as Galvatron formulated a new plan. Although appearing quite coherent throughout the scheme, it was truly his most insane yet - rejecting notions of conquest, Galvatron now sought the utter destruction of both Cybertron and Earth. To this end, he dispatched his troops to Cybertron, in order to recover the key to the [Plasma Energy Chamber](/wiki/Plasma_Energy_Chamber). Failing to do so, a plasma energy explosion sent the Autobots—possessing the key—and his Decepticons to the planet [Nebulos](/wiki/Nebulos). While the Cyclonus-led Decepticons sought to reclaim the key and return to Cybertron, he led the main attack force on Cybertron. Victorious on Cybertron, Galvatron had a colossal rocket engine constructed on the planet's surface, which propelled Cybertron into Earth's orbit (for the second time during the [Transformers television series](/wiki/The_Transformers_(TV_series))). His troops soon returned from Nebulos with the key, but in their absence, they had become binary-bonded to the planet's organic inhabitants as [Headmasters](/wiki/Headmaster_(Transformers)) and [Targetmasters](/wiki/Targetmasters) - a union which Galvatron thoroughly objected to, threatening to destroy the Nebulons immediately. Nebulon leader [Lord Zarak](/wiki/Scorponok), however, was able to stay Galvatron's hand, as he now possessed the Plasma Energy Chamber key. Galvatron then used the key to open the chamber, releasing the energy with the intent of driving the Earth's sun supernova, destroying both planets. Galvatron and the other Decepticons then attempted to flee inside [Scorponok](/wiki/Scorponok), but a tendril of plasma energy struck the giant craft, sending the Decepticons hurtling off into deep space. [Spike Witwicky](/wiki/Spike_Witwicky) and the Autobot-allied Nebulons were subsequently able to foil Galvatron's scheme and use the excess solar energy to re-energise Cybertron, restoring its Golden Age, but Galvatron was not finished yet, and began his plans for the future, proclaiming that the Decepticons would build a more powerful planet and use it to rule the galaxy. However, as this was the end of the American cartoon series, Galvatron's future plans never came to light.

While the American series ended with the three-part miniseries, *The Rebirth*, featuring Galvatron's scheme with the Plasma Energy Chamber, it was decided in Japan to continue the series in a different direction. Disregarding the events of *The Rebirth,* they began to produce a collection of animated series exclusive to Japan, the first of which was [*Transformers: The Headmasters*](/wiki/Transformers:_The_Headmasters), taking place a year after the Hate Plague incident from *The Return of Optimus Prime*. Of all the previously seen Transformers to appear in *Headmasters*, Galvatron received the most attention, effectively remaining as the Decepticons' leader for 26 out the series 35 episodes.

Galvatron did not make any appearances in the 1990s [*Beast Wars*](/wiki/Beast_Wars) animated series, but was briefly mentioned in the episode *Possession* or the video *Warning From Space*, in which the ghost of Starscream spun a lie that he had been killed by Unicron while defending him, only to have [Blackarachnia](/wiki/Blackarachnia) reveal the truth.

### Identity Crisis[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=5)]

Although Starscream appeared to recognize Galvatron as an enhanced version of Megatron in the movie, the third season of the series did not definitively explain whether or not either the Autobots (aside from possibly Optimus Prime due to his time in the Matrix, which was twice in Galvatron's possession) or the Decepticons were actually aware of the fact that Galvatron was once Megatron. Galvatron introduced himself to Ultra Magnus and the Autobots during [*The Transformers: The Movie*](/wiki/The_Transformers:_The_Movie) as though he was a completely new entity, claiming he would crush Magnus "just as Megatron crushed Prime." While returning fire during Galvatron's attack Ultra Magnus retorted to Galvatron's statement with the comment: "And you'll die trying, just like Megatron!" This appeared to present the idea that the Autobots believed Megatron had perished, only to be replaced by what appeared to be a far more powerful foe. However, Optimus appeared to insinuate during [*The Return of Optimus Prime*](/wiki/The_Return_of_Optimus_Prime) that he was aware of Galvatron's former identity as his long-time foe, claiming he "knew [Galvatron] too well" when the two were forced into an uneasy alliance when trying to recover an artificially developed heat and radiation resistant alloy needed by Optimus in order to find a cure for the Hate Plague.

There was also some confusion in the series as to whether or not the Deceptions aside from Starscream— who appeared to recognize him despite the changes Unicron had made to his physical form— were aware of Galvatron being Megatron, though it had been hinted that [Astrotrain](/wiki/Astrotrain) may have been aware of it during the first episode of the five part season three premiere [*Five Faces of Darkness*](/wiki/Five_Faces_of_Darkness) as the Triple-Changer initially speaks of the power the Decepticons held before Unicron's attack on Cybertron, which Megatron had come to rule sometime prior to the events of the feature film. Cyclonus is quick to correct Astrotrain on the matter claiming that he should be speaking of Galvatron, to which Astrotrain responds by saying; "Well, they were the same guy". Despite this seemingly straightforward statement, there exists a statue of Megatron, which can be seen in the Decepticon crypt located on Cybertron, seemingly as a marking for a grave, during the episode *Starscream's Ghost*. This left the question of whether or not the Decepticons were aware of their leader's former identity somewhat ambiguous, and the matter was largely ignored as far as both factions were concerned until the aforementioned hinting that Optimus was possibly aware of the truth in *The Return of Optimus Prime*.

### Books[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=6)]

Galvatron appeared in the 1986 story and coloring book [*The Lost Treasure of Cybertron*](/wiki/List_of_Transformers_books#The_Lost_Treasure_of_Cybertron) by Marvel Books.

Galvatron appeared in the 1986 story book [*Galvatron's Air Attack*](/wiki/Galvatron's_Air_Attack) by Ladybird Books.[[3]](#cite_note-3) Galvatron appeared in the 1986 [Ladybird Books](/wiki/Ladybird_Books) story [*Decepticon Hideout*](/wiki/Decepticon_Hideout) by [John Grant](/wiki/John_Grant_(children's_author)).[[4]](#cite_note-4)

### Comics[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=7)]

#### Marvel Comics[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=8)]

*Note: Stories from the U.K. Marvel Transformers series are in italics.* Galvatron's appearance in the [Marvel Comics'](/wiki/Marvel_Comics) Transformers series, would take a more drastic turn than his animated counterpart. Through the plot-device, it is hard to tell weither Galvatron is in fact one character or several, and even weither or not they're reformatted versions of [Megatron](/wiki/Megatron), the Straxus-Megatron clone, or an original creation of Unicron. In fact, it's possible that Marvel has introduced up to six different Galvatron characters hailing from different alternate futures. The only distinction that has been made is between a certain version of Galvatron, named Galvatron II, hailing from a future timeline where Unicron succeeds in consuming [Cybertron](/wiki/Cybertron), and Galvatron I, the original one introduced.

##### Galvatron I[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=9)]

Galvatron debuted in the story entitled [*Target: 2006*](/wiki/Target:_2006), Galvatron, [Cyclonus](/wiki/Cyclonus) and [Scourge](/wiki/Scourge_(Transformers)) travel back in time from a point during the events of the movie adaptation itself. Desiring to be free of Unicron's controlling influence, Galvatron incapacitated the present-day Megatron and had the [Constructicons](/wiki/Constructicons) assemble a colossal weapon, which would destroy Unicron once was fired in the future. This plan was thwarted by the present-day [Ultra Magnus](/wiki/Ultra_Magnus) and three future Autobots [Hot Rod](/wiki/Hot_Rod_(Transformers)), [Kup](/wiki/List_of_Autobots#Cars) and [Blurr](/wiki/Blurr) who convinced Galvatron that he had actually travelled back in time to a parallel universe, forcing him to return to the future.

Galvatron returned to the original future, living out the rest of the events of *Transformers: The Movie*. However, things quickly diverged from the animated series' telling of events when, after being hurled out of Unicron by [Rodimus Prime](/wiki/Rodimus_Prime), Galvatron triggered his time-jump mechanism once more, hurling himself back to 1987, where he materialised above Earth's atmosphere, and hurtled toward the planet at terminal velocity. His explosive landing drew the attention of the piloted mechanoid, Centurion, who Galvatron - his mind addled from the crash to the brink of madness - promptly destroyed, believing him to be Rodimus Prime. After a moment to collect his thoughts, Galvatron fought the madness down, until he wound up in a battle with a group of Autobots led by [Blaster](/wiki/Blaster_(Transformers)), and the [Dinobots](/wiki/Dinobot). During the fight, a sonic attack from Blaster unhinged his fragile mind, opening a doorway to insanity that would steadily widen over time. Despite this, Galvatron overpowered the [Autobots](/wiki/Autobot) and [Dinobots](/wiki/Dinobot) and would have triumphed had it not been for [Shockwave](/wiki/Shockwave_(Transformers)) and his Decepticons, who viewed Galvatron as a threat to Shockwave's leadership.

Galvatron's absence in the original future led [Rodimus Prime](/wiki/Rodimus_Prime) to place a bounty on his head. This was picked up by [Death's Head](/wiki/Death's_Head), who pursued Galvatron back through time. Fearful of what he had unleashed on the past, Rodimus travelled back with Kup and Blurr to stop Death's Head, only to wind up in a four-way confrontation between themselves, Death's Head, Galvatron and the present-day Ultra Magnus, as Galvatron attempted to siphon the power of Earth's core through a volcano to increase his power even further. Rodimus's team and Death's Head were returned to the future in the course of the battle, while [Ultra Magnus](/wiki/Ultra_Magnus) and Galvatron were lost beneath tons of lava when the volcano erupted.

Eventually, Galvatron was able to free himself, and continued with his plans for the future by disrupting Shockwave's leadership of the Decepticons. He was also later confronted by Cyclonus and Scourge, who had been shunted back in time, circumventing the normal mass-displacement procedures, and wanted his time-jump mechanism so they could return to the future and their position as Decepticon leaders.

Shockwave later recovered what he believed was the missing Megatron (but which was actually a clone), brainwashed him, then unleashed him on Scourge and Cyclonus after the latter revealed that they would be responsible for Shockwave's death in the future. This led to Cyclonus's death, causing further disruption to the timeline. "Megatron" was then loosed on Galvatron, but rather than destroy him, he saw a possible partner in him, and the duo teamed up to battle the combined forces of Autobots and Decepticons from the present and the future as a rift in the fabric of spacetime threatened to destroy reality. With his own actions in the present altering the events that Galvatron remembered from his past, his remaining sanity crumbled. As the rift arrived, Galvatron stood before it and defied it... only for his body to be swept up, and utterly destroyed.

##### Galvatron II[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=10)]

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##### Other[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=11)]

*In the year 2356 of an alternate future, a geriatric Rodimus Prime recounted tales of his exploits to a curious youth from his deathbed. In that timeline, the Time Wars had reset history: now the newly-created Galvatron hadn't time-traveled to 1987 Earth, and instead had remained in the 21st-century and conquered Cybertron. This "reset" Galvatron tried to enrage Rodimus—even going so far as throwing Blurr's severed head at him—so that the Autobot leader's vengeful thoughts would corrupt the Matrix itself. This Galvatron was last seen in a flashback to Unicron's third coming in the year 2010 (of that timeline): as Galvatron was left buried under rubble and Transformer corpses, Rodimus noted that on this occasion Unicron had no need for minions.* This version made a sole appearance in the story entitled *"Aspects of Evil!"*.

#### Japanese Manga[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=12)]

In the Japanese manga "Big War" #2, the Autobots [Rodimus Prime](/wiki/Rodimus), [Grimlock](/wiki/Grimlock), [Kup](/wiki/List_of_Autobots#Cars) and [Wheelie](/wiki/Wheelie_(Transformers)), along with their human allies [Spike Witwicky](/wiki/Spike_Witwicky) and [Daniel Witwicky](/wiki/Daniel_Witwicky) send [Computron](/wiki/Computron_(Transformers)) into battle against Galvatron's new warrior combiner [Abominus](/wiki/Abominus). The Terrorcons spit "corrosive control liquid" against Computron, taking control of him and turning him into a Decepticon. Spike luckily uses his new Exosuit to free Computron with "defense spray." Defeated, Galvatron retreats.[[5]](#cite_note-5) In the Transformers Manga #5, Galvatron and his Decepticons attacked the Prime Energy Tower. Galvatron ordered the Decepticons to form Menasor, Devastator and Bruticus and attack. Rodimus Prime counted this move by ordering in Superion, Omega Supreme and Defensor. Galvatron then ordered in Predaking, knowing that Sky Lynx was elsewhere and couldn't counter them. Rodimus ordered the Omnibots to attack Predaking's legs. Tripping up the giant he fell into the other Decepticon giants, winning the day for the Autobots.[[6]](#cite_note-6) Galvatron also appeared in a series of Japanese Manga comic strips set in continuity with the *Headmasters* series, where he attempted to destroy the Autobots with such schemes as creating his own army of [Megatron](/wiki/Megatron) clones, attempting to destroy Fortress Maximus and creating a hybrid of the original Megatron and Optimus Prime named Guiltor to destroy Rodimus Prime, although he ended up teaming up with his enemy to destroy it after it went rogue.

After Galvatron's seeming destruction in *Headmasters* this was all that was heard from Galvatron in the animated continuity for several years until the *Battlestars: The Return of Convoy* storyline (although not animated in itself, consisting of one chapter of manga and a selection of [magazine](/wiki/Magazine) spreads, it continues the storyline of the animated series). Buried and deactivated beneath the [ice](/wiki/Ice), Galvatron was recovered by the evil entity, [Dark Nova](/wiki/Dark_Nova), and reformatted into [**Super Megatron**](/wiki/Megatron_(Transformers)#Battlestars:_Return_of_Convoy), going on to battle Star Convoy (a similarly reborn [Optimus Prime](/wiki/Optimus_Prime_(Transformers))). A common myth among some *Transformers* fans is that Super Megatron is an independent entity created by Dark Nova, who seeks out Galvatron and kills him, instead of being created from his remains.

#### Blackthorne Publishing[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=13)]

Galvatron would also appear in [Blackthorne](/wiki/Blackthorne) comics' short-lived Transformers title. He was the leader of the Decepticons in a universe that bore many similarities to season three of the original series, and featured many of the same characters. He would be at the forefront of many schemes, including trying to capture a group of creatures who produced energon naturally (unaware they were working for the [Quintessons](/wiki/Quintesson)), attacking a space station, building the "Nullification Cannon" and battling the robotic criminals, the Destructons. Galvatron was also shown as having to contend with several takeover attempts by [Scorponok](/wiki/Scorponok) and even his own "pet" [Ratbat](/wiki/Ratbat). The series stopped after just three issues, so any further tales of this Galvatron will go untold.

Note: In the color cover art Galvatron was presented in toy accurate grey colors, not his animation purple.

#### Dreamwave Productions[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=14)]

[right|thumb|*Armada* Megatron kills G1 Galvatron with the Star Saber in Dreamwave comics](/wiki/Image:Megatron-galvatron.jpg) In the 21st century release of new Transformers comics by [Dreamwave Productions](/wiki/Dreamwave_Productions), the original Galvatron put in an appearance not within the pages of the reimagined title based on the original series, but in the concluding storyline of its sister title, [*Transformers: Armada*](/wiki/Transformers:_Armada). In this world, the incarnation of Galvatron that appeared (in his original animated series color scheme) was the herald of [Unicron](/wiki/Unicron), from a different [dimension](/wiki/Dimension), sent to cause destruction prior to Unicron's arrival alongside his fellow [heralds](/wiki/Heralds_of_Unicron), Scourge, [Dirge](/wiki/Dirge_(Transformers)), [Thunderwing](/wiki/Thunderwing) and [Bludgeon](/wiki/Bludgeon_(Transformers)) (all characters from the original universe, though their names are not mentioned and are not the versions in the other Dreamwave comic).

After defeating [Starscream](/wiki/Starscream_(Unicron_Trilogy)) in an attempt to capture the [Mini-Con](/wiki/Mini-Con) [Over-Run](/wiki/Over-Run_(Transformers)), and the Mini-Con Matrix he held, Galvatron attacked the Autobot base - only to find that the *Armada* universe's incarnation of [Megatron](/wiki/Megatron_(Unicron_Trilogy)) and his Decepticons had already done the deed. Consequently, Megatron and Galvatron engaged in a colossal battle, with Galvatron clearly possessing the upper hand. Overwhelmed, Megatron was about to be destroyed when the Air Defense Team Mini-Cons arrived and, judging Galvatron to be the greater threat, combined into the [Star Saber](/wiki/Star_Saber) for Megatron to wield. Transformed into the Dark Saber in Megatron's grip, the extra power it gave him allowed Megatron to easily slay Galvatron. The remaining heralds were eradicated in an explosion caused by [Jetfire](/wiki/Jetfire) on Cybertron.

Galvatron received a biography page in the Dreamwave comics *More Than Meets The Eye* series, where it was not mentioned if he was formerly Megatron. While it is generally assumed by fans that Megatron would become Galvatron in this series, the incarnations of Scourge and Cyclonus who did appear in Dreamwave's series were original characters created by Unicron and not recreated Decepticons from the series, so it's not certain how Galvatron would have come to be in this series.

#### Kiss Players[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=15)]

Galvatron would play a small but important role in the Kiss Players storyline. After he was hurled out of Unicron's body by [Rodimus Prime](/wiki/Rodimus_Prime) he tumbled through space until he impacted in [Tokyo](/wiki/Tokyo) on Earth, devastating much of it. This had major repercussions as it damaged relations between Earth and the Autobots, leading to the formation of the Earth Defense Command to expel Transformers from Earth. This was only the start of their problems, as Galvatron's comatose body continued to release his Unicron-corrupted cells into the atmosphere, where they merged with various local life-forms to create [The Legion](/wiki/Megatron#Kiss_Players).

#### IDW Publishing[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=16)]

[Template:Main](/wiki/Template:Main) Galvatron hails from Cybertron's Golden Age, where he was one of Nova Prime's closest friends and advisors. He later served on the first Ark, part of Prime's dream of expanding Cybertronian domination throughout the cosmos. However, Galvatron and the crew were lost when he plunged the ship into the mysterious anomaly in the Benzuli Expanse, a selfish act that killed the rest of the crew. Undead, Galvatron became the herald for Nova, now known as Nemesis Prime, ruler of the Dead Universe. As the only member of the crew who could survive the living universe for any length of time, he was sent to secure the inactive Thunderwing and to prevent any interference with their plans for Earth. Ultimately, however, he betrayed Nemesis Prime's plans for expansion, shooting him in the back to obtain the Heart of Darkness, which Optimus Prime let him have - along with a dip in a solar pool. Revelation Years later, he emerged, remade by the Darkness and raising an army to defeat the Dead Universe's controlling intelligence, D-Void, Heart of Darkness until discovering he was actually doing D-Void's bidding at his last, just after infecting Vector Sigma with the Heart of Darkness revealed to be its' version of the Matrix of Leadership. As he finally died for real, Optimus Prime was forced to sacrifice the Matrix to undo his deluded acts. Chaos It turned out he was merely sent back to the Dead Universe and reunited with Nova Prime Dark Dawn and played a large role in the Dark Cybertron prophecy even after Nova's death. When Megatron defected to the Autobots, Galvatron took the opportunity to seize command of the Decepticons.

#### Combiner Wars[[edit](/index.php?title=(none)&action=edit&section=17)]

In conjunction with the Combiner Wars (Unite Warriors in Japan) line, [Takara Tomy](/wiki/Takara_Tomy) released a comic detailing how the **Galvatronus** combiner came to be. Following his defeat at the conclusion of *The Headmasters*, Galvatron's icy tomb was discovered by Cyclonus, whose body Galvatron modified to accommodate his own head in the chest compartment. Seeking a more fitting form, Galvatron directed Cyclonus to approach the disembodied head of Unicron, who was convinced to help Galvatron attain a combiner form with Cyclonus as its core. To accomplish this, Unicron used his power to open dimensional rifts in order to bring [Curse Armada Thrust](/wiki/Thrust_(Transformers)), [Zombie War Breakdown](/wiki/Breakdown_(Transformers)), and [Wandering Roller](/wiki/Roller_(Transformers)) into their world. To Cyclonus' surprise, [Starscream](/wiki/Starscream) then made an appearance, expressing interest in joining this new alliance. Unicron promptly granted Starscream a new physical form, and Galvatron's head took control of his new minions to take on his new form of Galvatronus.[[7]](#cite_note-7)