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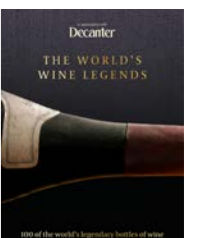
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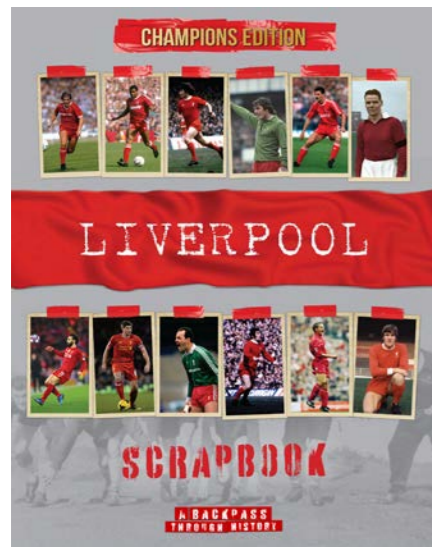
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Liverpool Scrapbook

Written by Michael A. O'Neill

Liverpool FC Scrapbook is packed with rare photographs and on-the-page facsimile memorabilia and provides an insight into the unique journey of one of the most famous football clubs in the world, Liverpool FC.

Featuring a wide variety of superb on-the-page rare memorabilia covering Liverpool FC's hugely successful history, including rare match tickets, unique match programmes, team sheets and much more.

Follow the Liverpool story from the club's origins and its founding father John Houlding, changing out of the back of the Sandon Hotel to the mighty Liverpool Football Club, the team that has dominated English and European Football throughout the 1970s and 1980s.

Liverpool have won 5 European Cups and 18 League titles.

The club is one of the best supported clubs in the world.

Champions League Winners 2019.



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 September 2020
 210 x 270 mm
 Hardback Book
 112 pages
 Text: 20,000 words
 150 colour and mono photographs



Liverpool Legends

Written by Michael A. O'Neill

In Liverpool - Legends we've collected stories on dozens of Liverpool FC's most celebrated players managers and games. With expert commentary and lavish photography, you'll explore and rediscover the attributes that made these players, managers and teams iconic, as well as the moments that propelled them to greatness.

Over a century, Liverpool has provided fans with hundreds of unique personalities, countless unforgettable moments and some of the greatest feats of sporting brilliance ever seen. From its humble beginnings in the northwest of England to the global phenomenon it has become today, the club has evolved and changed almost beyond recognition. But the exploits of the footballing heroes of years past continue to stand the test of time.

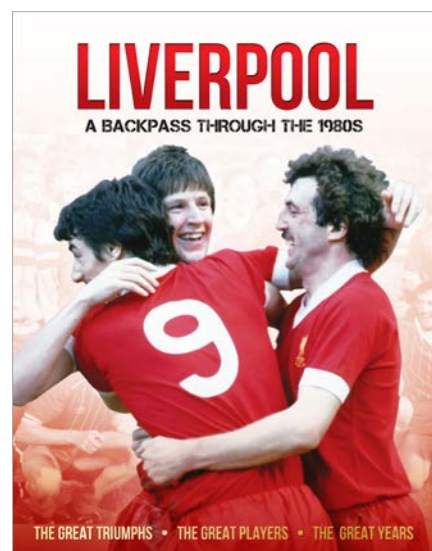
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Champions League Winners 2019.

Liverpool were winners of the 2020 Premier League. The first time in 30 years that they have won the English League competition.



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 Hardback Book
 144 pages
 Text: 20,000 words
 150 colour and mono photographs



Liverpool: A Backpass Through the 1980s

Written by Michael A. O'Neill

This Collector's Edition Illustrated Book provides an insight into the most successful period for one of the most famous football clubs in the world. Liverpool Football Club is the team that dominated English and European Football throughout the 1980s.

The book charts the highlights of the ten year period from the excitement of winning 2 European Cups, 7 League Trophies, 2 FA Cups and 4 League Cups to the devastation of the Heysel and Hillsborough disasters.

The significant matches, career player retrospectives, a special focus on Bob Paisley, Joe Fagan, Kenny Dalglish, Ian Rush and Graeme Souness, the managers and the greatest players who guided the club plus in-depth statistical information.

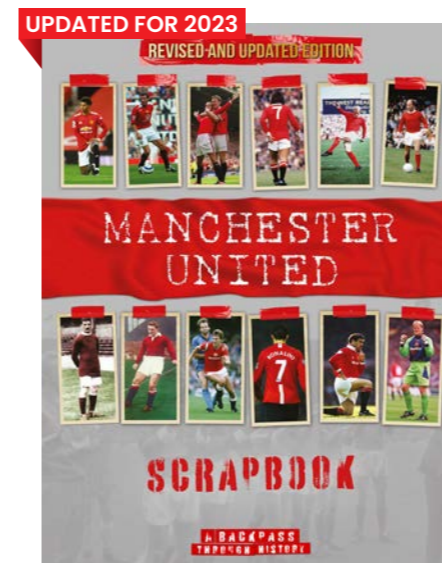
In the 1980s Liverpool FC were the best team in Europe winning 2 European Cups, 7 League Trophies, 2 FA Cups and 4 League Cups.

A survey from sports market consultants puts Liverpool's fan base at more than 100m.

Asia is a big market for Liverpool. So is the UK and USA.



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 ISBN: 978-1-912918-81-2
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 150 colour and mono photographs



Manchester United Scrapbook

Written by Michael A. O'Neill

Manchester United Scrapbook is packed with rare photographs, images and on-the-page facsimile memorabilia and provides an insight into the unique journey of one of the most famous football clubs in the world, Manchester United.

Featuring a wide variety of superb on-the-page rare memorabilia from the archives covering Manchester United's hugely successful history including match tickets, match programmes, team sheets and promotional material.

Follow the authoritative story charting the historical rise from the club's origins as Newton Heath Lancashire & Yorkshire Railway Football Club to the mighty Manchester United Football Club, the team that dominated English football under Sir Alex Ferguson.

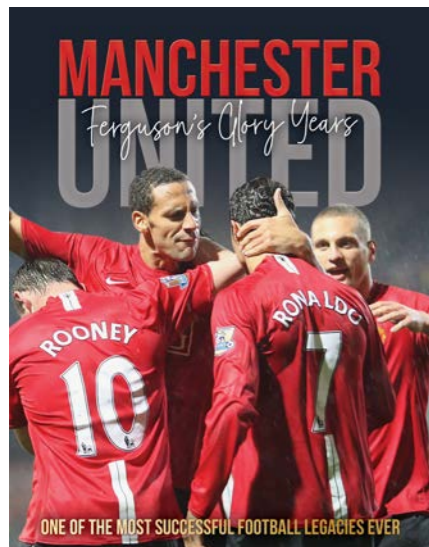
Manchester United have won more trophies than any other club in English football.

20 League titles and 3 Champions League titles.

They have the biggest support and are the most valuable football club in the world.



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 Hardback Book
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 Text: 20,000 words
 150 colour and mono photographs



Manchester United: Ferguson's Glory Years

Written by Michael A. O'Neill

Sir Alex Ferguson was one of the greatest football managers to grace the stadiums of the world. He announced his retirement as manager of Manchester United after 27 years in the role.

He went out in a blaze of glory, with United winning the Premier League for the 13th time and he is widely considered to be the greatest manager in the history of English football. A constant element was the quality of Alex Ferguson's league winning squads and United's run of success, which included winning the Champions League for a second time in 2008.

This lavishly illustrated hardback book charts the enormous success of the club during Sir Alex Ferguson's 27 year reign at Manchester United, with profiles of all the big matches and players that guided the club to its myriad of trophies.

The full story of Ferguson's career at United and profiles of his most important matches.

Packed with rare memorabilia of the greatest moments in Ferguson's career at United.



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 144 pages
 Text: 30,000 words
 100 colour and mono photographs

Premier League Legends

Written by Dan Peel

In Premier League Legends we celebrate the very best entertainers, goalgetters and deadly destroyers from the past three decades of action.

We kick off with a rundown of the top 100 players and some of the most iconic names of the Premier League era, while we also dive into the FFT archives to unearth in-depth features and exclusive interviews with the likes of Juninho,

David Ginola and Paolo Di Canio and relive some of the glorious goals, superb skills and show stopping saves we've been privileged to witness ever since that historic Saturday afternoon in the summer of 1992. Enjoy!

The Premier League is the most watched sports league worldwide.

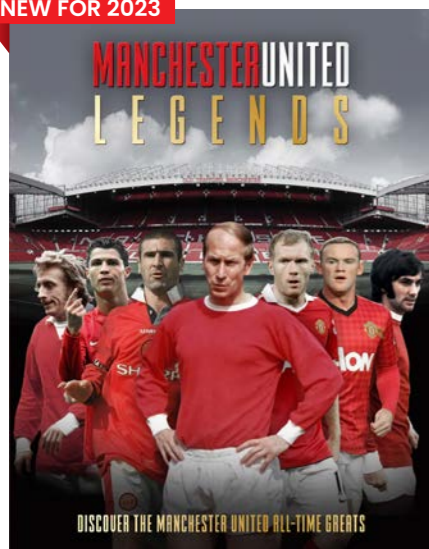
Broadcast in 212 countries and over 640 million homes worldwide.

The worldwide TV audience is over 4 billion people.

The players who compete in the Premier League are from many different countries and continents and are known to fans all over the world.



NEW FOR 2023



Manchester United Legends

Written by Michael A. O'Neill

The word legend is thrown around all too readily these days, but there can be no doubt that the Manchester United players featured in this book are the very best to have ever graced a football pitch. They are true legends of the club and the game.

Spanning the decades and covering all the Manchester United's most iconic eras, we uncover the fascinating stories and incredible accomplishments of the club's greatest football players from Bobby Charlton and George Best to Eric Cantona, Roy Keane and Ronaldo.

It's not just about great players, though. Without great managers there would be no great players, legendary teams or memorable matchups. That's why we also run down the ten most successful managers from Manchester United history, look back at the ten greatest championship winning teams and relive ten of the best games of all time.

Manchester United have won more trophies than any other club in English football.

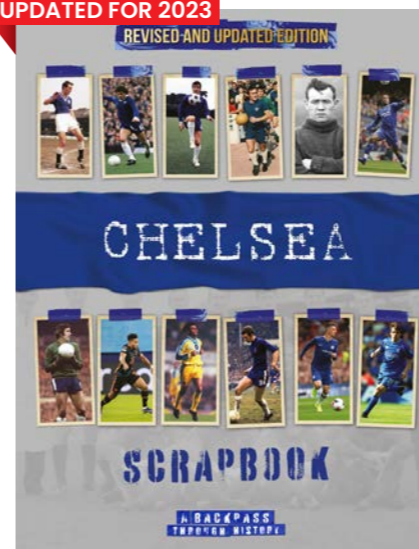
The club has 20 League titles and 3 Champions League titles.

They have the biggest support and are the one of the most valuable football club's in the world.



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 Text: 20,000 words
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UPDATED FOR 2023



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 February 2022
 210 x 270 mm
 Hardback Book
 136 pages
 Text: 20,000 words
 150 colour and mono photographs

Chelsea Scrapbook

Written by Michael A. O'Neill

This Chelsea Scrapbook is packed with rare photographs, images and on-the-page facsimile memorabilia and provides an insight into the unique journey of one of the most famous football club's in the world, Chelsea FC.

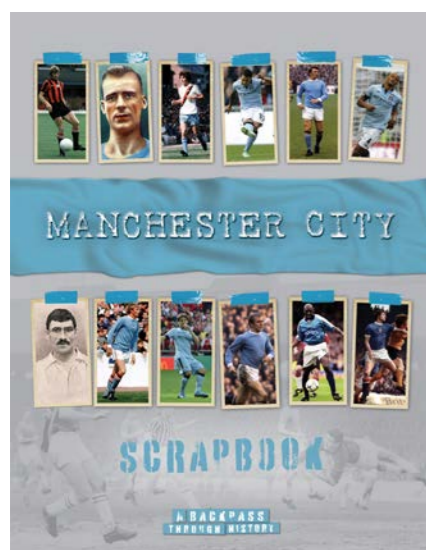
The superb rare memorabilia includes match tickets, programmes, team sheets and many other promotional gems.

With additional career player retrospectives, a focus on the managers who have guided the club, including Thomas Tuchel, and some in-depth statistical information, the Chelsea Scrapbook looks at some of Chelsea FC's great moments. This unique collection of images and memorabilia from the club's golden age includes a special feature on Chelsea's 2021 UEFA Champions League win.

Chelsea FC won the UEFA Champions League Final in May 2021 beating Manchester City.

The club has won the Premier League title twice in recent seasons 2014 – 15 and 2016 – 17.





Manchester City Scrapbook

Written by Michael A. O'Neill

The Manchester City Scrapbook provides an insight into the unique journey of Manchester City, one of the most famous football clubs in the world.

Follow the incredible story, charting the historic rise from the club's humble origins, starting out as St Mark's (West Gorton), through to the top of the Premier League with some of the most talented players in the world.

With additional player retrospectives, a focus on the managers who have guided the club and in-depth statistical information, Manchester City Scrapbook looks at those special moments in the club's history using rare photographs, facsimile on-the-page memorabilia, tickets and programmes from the biggest matches.

City have won the English football league 7 times, including 5 Premiership wins.

They have won 8 League Cups and 6 FA Cups.

Pep Guardiola is considered one of the greatest football managers of all time.



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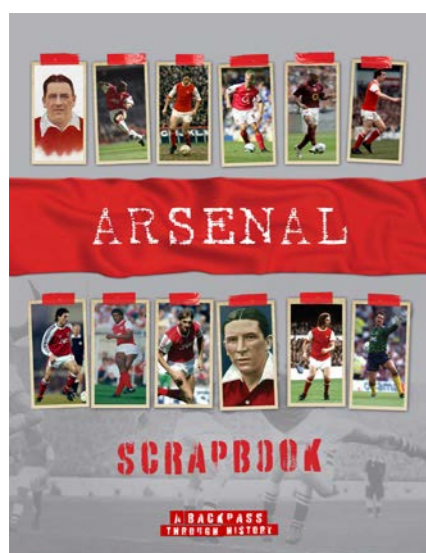
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Hardback Book

144 pages

Text: 20,000 words

150 colour and mono photographs



Arsenal Scrapbook

Written by Michael A. O'Neill

The Arsenal Scrapbook provides an insight into the unique journey of Arsenal, one of the most famous football clubs in the world.

Follow the authoritative text charting a nostalgia-packed journey through the club's evolution, from its beginnings as a South London munitions factory team right through to the mighty Gunners and their ascent to the top of English football, whilst having on their books some of the most talented players ever seen.

With player career retrospectives and in-depth statistical information, together with a focus on the managers who have guided the club, including a special feature on Arsene Wenger, the Arsenal Scrapbook looks at the special moments in Arsenal's history using rare photographs, memorabilia, programmes and tickets from the biggest matches in the club's history.

Rare memorabilia on-the-page including facsimile tickets and programmes from the club's biggest matches.

Features on the club's most iconic players, and the managers who have guided the club through its history.



RRP £21.00

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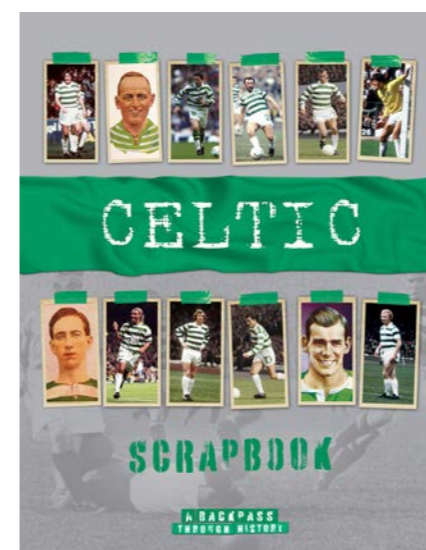
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Hardback Book

144 pages

Text: 20,000 words

150 colour and mono photographs



Celtic Scrapbook

Written by Michael A. O'Neill

This beautifully illustrated hardback book provides an insight into the unique story of Celtic, one of the most famous football clubs in the world.

Follow the authoritative text, charting a nostalgia-packed journey through the club's evolution, from its beginnings via a formally constituted meeting in St. Mary's church hall in East Rose Street, Calton, Glasgow, by Irish Marist, Brother Walfrid, on 6 November 1887, to the club that became the kings of Europe and that has never been relegated from the Scottish Premiership.

With player career retrospectives and in-depth statistical information, together with a focus on Jock Stein and the other managers who have guided the club.

In 2021, the worldwide supporters of Celtic FC were estimated to be in the millions.

Numerous fan magazines and supporters' websites are dedicated to the club, and there are over 250 supporters' clubs in over 20 countries around the world.

RRP £21.00

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Hardback Book

144 pages

Text: 20,000 words

150 colour and mono photographs



Rangers Scrapbook

Written by Michael Leighton

This beautifully illustrated hardback book provides an insight into the unique story of Rangers FC, one of the most famous football clubs in the world.

The fourth-oldest football club in Scotland, Rangers was founded by four teenage boys as they walked through West End Park (now Kelvingrove Park) in March 1872 and discussed the idea of forming a football club. It then played its first match against the now defunct Callander at the Fleshers & Haugh area of Glasgow Green in May of the same year. Rangers home ground, Ibrox Stadium, which was designed by stadia architect Archibald Leitch and opened in 1929, is the third-largest football stadium in Scotland. The club has played in royal blue shirts for the entirety of its history.

Rangers is the second-most successful club in world football in terms of trophies won, behind Egyptian club Al Ahly.

The club has won the Scottish League title 55 times, a domestic league joint world record, the Scottish Cup 33 times, the Scottish League Cup a record 27 times, and the domestic treble on seven occasions – a joint world record shared with rivals Celtic.

RRP £21.00

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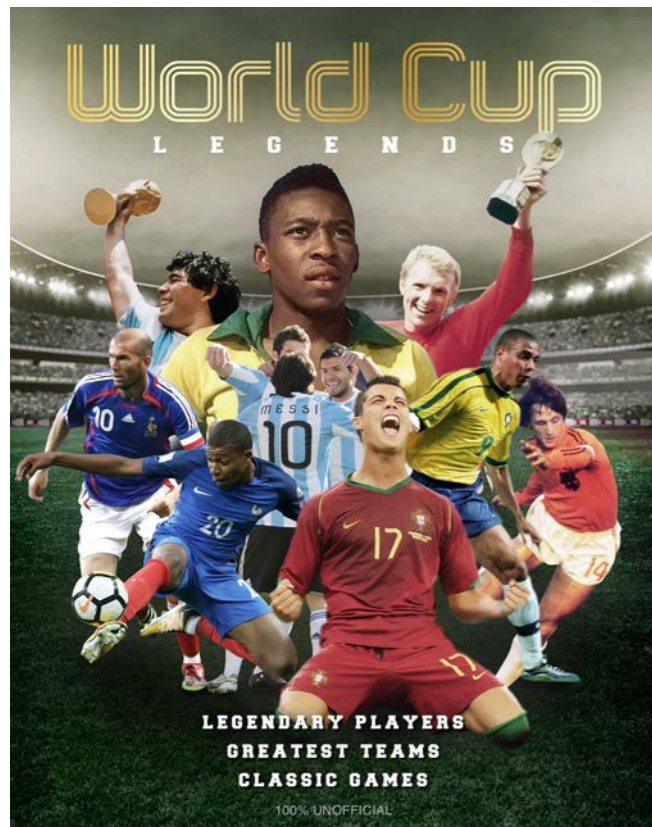
Hardback Book

144 pages

Text: 20,000 words

150 colour and mono photographs





World Cup Legends

Written by Drew Sleep, Dan Peel & Charles Ginger

RRP **£21.00** Hardback Book
 ISBN: 978-1-912918-99-7 144 pages
 September 2022 Text: 20,000 words
 210 x 270 mm 150 colour and mono photographs

Once every four years the greatest players and teams from around the globe come together in a celebration of the beautiful game. Packed with colour, excitement, passion and drama, the World Cup has the world glued to its television screens as the biggest names in football dazzle and wow on the ultimate stage. From Pele and Maradona to Ronaldo, Moore and Mpbappe, some of the most iconic names in the history of football are synonymous with the World Cup.

In this book you'll find a host of fascinating features on the aforementioned legends, as well as the Magnificent Magyars of the 1950s and the best side never to win the World Cup – the Cruyff inspired Dutch team of the 1970s. It will also bring you 50 of the greatest players to grace the tournament and take you on a journey back through some of the World Cup's most memorable moments.

ABOUT THE AUTHORS:

Drew Sleep, Dan Peel & Charles Ginger are experienced editors and writers who have worked extensively with the Future PLC organisation and their vast archive of content. They work across many areas of expertise but particularly sport.

This fully illustrated book features many of the greatest players and teams to play in the World Cup over its history.

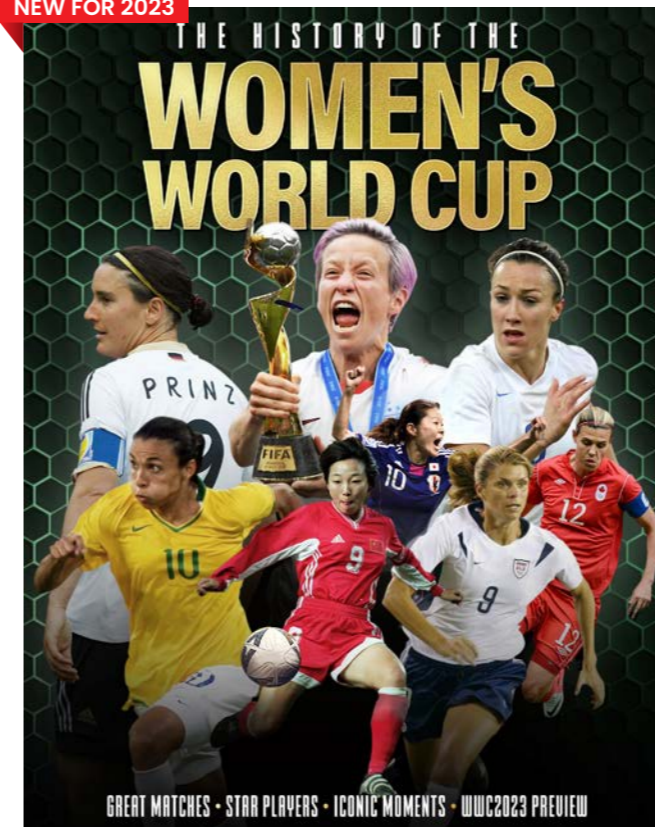
The World Cup is the world's most viewed televised sporting event, watched by millions worldwide.

The 2022 World Cup is the first to be held in the Arab world and is getting huge media exposure both in Asia and the west.

The competition will be held over approximately 28 days in November and December 2022, so will generate huge gifting interest with consumers worldwide.



NEW FOR 2023



The History of the Women's World Cup

Written by Adrian Besley

RRP **£21.99** Hardback Book
 ISBN: 9978-1-915343-20-8 144 pages
 June 2023 Text: 25,000 words
 210 x 270 mm 150 colour and mono photographs

The History of the Women's World Cup is a celebration of women's football's most prestigious tournament. In the UK, crowds and TV viewing figures are at record levels and top players have become household names. The Women's World Cup 2023 in Australia and New Zealand will be the biggest, most eagerly anticipated and watched competition in its history.

This book explains the growth of the women's game and the origins of the Women's World Cup. Illustrated with fabulous colour photographs, it tells the story of each tournament, highlighting key moments, great goals and providing an indepth account of every final. It recalls the great teams and the legendary players who emerged, including Marta, Birgit Prinz, Megan Rapinoe and Lucy Bronze.

The book also previews in detail the 2023 World Cup. It focuses on each of the venues and features the 32 competing teams, their groups and possible route to the final. It also picks out the potential stars of the finals, from Australia's Sam Kerr and Belgium's Tessa Wullaert to Germany's Lea Schüller and England's Ella Toone, in a comprehensive guide to the global showpiece of women's football.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

Adrian Besley is a published author of many football titles. He has written *You're Off! The TalkSport Book of Red Cards*, *Who Do You Think You Are Kidding Mr Klinsmann?*, *Opta World Football Infographics* and *Superstars of the World Cup*, as well as *The Ultimate Fan Book* biographies on Mohamed Sala Salah, Harry Kane, Son Heung-min and Zlatan Ibrahimović.

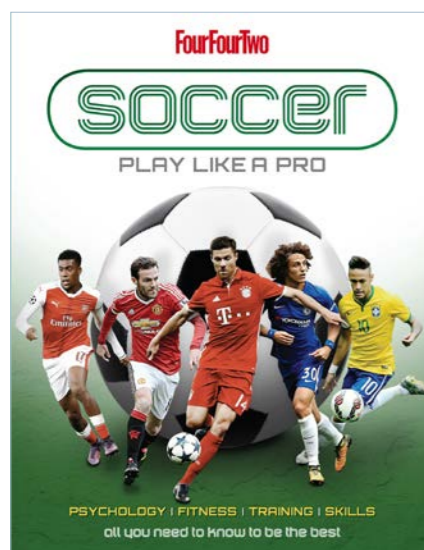
France 2019 was the most watched Women's World Cup ever, reaching a global TV audience of 993.5 million.

The final between the United States and the Netherlands was the most watched match in Women's World Cup history, receiving a live TV audience of 82.2 million.

England's Lionesses were semi-finalists at the Women's World Cup 2019 and are the reigning UEFA Women's European Champions.

A total of 87,192 spectators witnessed England's historic EURO 2022 triumph over Germany at Wembley.





Soccer: Play Like a Pro

Are you a Sunday League superstar? Do you still think you've got what it takes to make it to the top?

In Soccer: Play Like A Pro we've got everything you need to play like your soccer heroes. Illuminating interviews with some of the game's biggest names, past and present, workout tutorials, nutritional advice and a look at the best gear and equipment available to you. Fascinating in-depth features on pre-season training camps, the importance of a good night's sleep and the five-a-side league that aims to help players lose weight and get fit. The workouts for burning fat and building muscle have clear instructions, and images demonstrate the correct form and help you to target specific muscle groups and work on different in-game situations.

The biggest participation sport there is and many a childhood dream.

Expert advice from 26 major stars, including: Frank Lampard, Robert Pires, Fernandinho, Paul Scholes and Neymar.

Every possible angle covered: Psychology, Fitness, Training and Professional Playing Advice.

RRP £16.99

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Hardback Book

128 pages

Text: 20,000 words

150+ illustrations



NEW FOR 2023



Formula One Legends

Written by Dan Peel

Over its more than 70-year history, Formula 1 has grown to become one of the most exciting and most watched sports on Earth. While its thrilling mix of danger and drama – not to mention high speed and supreme skill – continue to keep fans entertained and engrossed, it's the characters, personalities and rivalries of the men behind the steering wheels that are Formula 1's real star attraction.

In Formula One Legends we celebrate some of the greatest drivers in Formula 1 history, from the early superstars Juan Manuel Fangio and Jim Clark, to the golden-age greats of Alain Prost, Ayrton Senna and Nigel Mansell, plus modern masters, Lewis Hamilton and Michael Schumacher. We also relive ten of the greatest F1 races of all time and run down the most iconic circuits.

The F1 championship operates globally, with 13 of the 23 races in the 2021 season taking place outside Europe.

Formula 1's high profile and popularity have created a major merchandising environment with fans in every country of the world.

RRP £21.99

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May 2023

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Hardback Book

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Text: 30,000 words

100 colour and mono photographs



The World of Formula One

Written by Michael A. O'Neill

With the Netflix series *Drive to Survive* bringing an ever-increasing audience to the Grand Prix circuit world wide, and with Formula One becoming more exciting with new rule changes, *The World of Formula One* brings you the races, the tracks, the drivers, the teams, the constructors and all the stats in one place.

Whether you are a new or a die-hard follower, this book is for the fans. Packed with the best images and photographs from some of the world's leading motor sport photographers, this book will delight and absorb anyone who has an interest in this fascinating sport.

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F1 Drivers, such as Lewis Hamilton, have become worldwide superstars and bring a whole new legion of fans to the sport.

Television audiences are regularly in the millions for race weekends.

RRP £20.00

ISBN: 978-1-912918-92-8

February 2022

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Hardback Book

144 pages

Text: 30,000 words

100 colour and mono photographs



NEW FOR 2023



The World of the Tour de France

Written by Stephen Puddicombe

The World of the Tour de France is a celebration of one of the world's great annual sporting events, and the top competition in world cycling. This book covers the Tour from its humble beginnings in 1903 and features memorabilia and rare photographs, with a full breakdown of the major teams and profiles of the legendary riders who have won the fabled yellow jersey.

Since World War II, 55 towns and cities have been involved in starting the Tour, and Pays Basque will set the stage for the Grand Depart in 2023. This fully illustrated book includes an authoritative narrative on the teams, riders, bikes and epic mountain climbs that have featured throughout the history of the Tour, complemented by evocative images from each era of the race.

The Tour de France is cycling's most illustrious race, watched by millions around the globe each July.

In 2023 there is a new global Netflix show, produced by the same producer that made 'Drive to Survive' for F1, which will grow the TV audience and fans for the Tour.

Cycling generally is fast-growing in every country as a pastime, and road cycling is gaining in popularity in every country.

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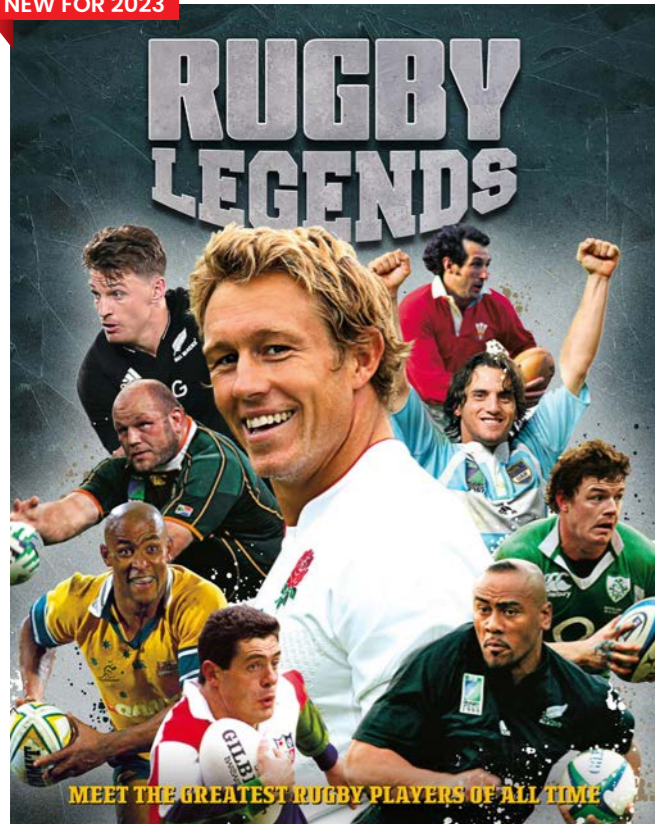
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NEW FOR 2023



Rugby Legends

Written by Alan Pearey

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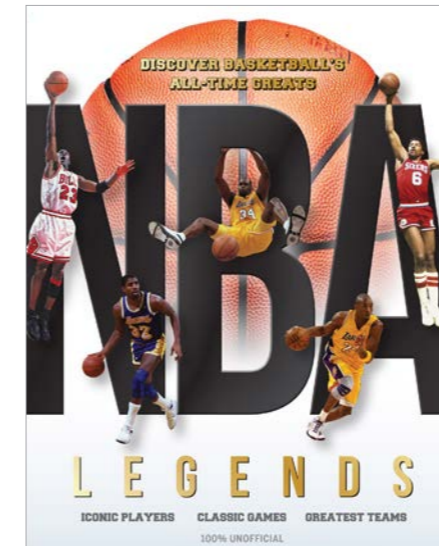
It's customary when choosing all-time greats from a cast of thousands to say how difficult a task it is, and how you're unlikely to agree the selection in Rugby Legends.

We make no apology for our choice of 120 male and ten female players, each of whom are indisputably masters of their craft. The pool of top women's players is expanding all the time, so expect a stand-alone book for them in future. At the back, we have whittled down our legends to an ultimate XV. We don't know how this team would get on if it could compete at a World Cup, but it would sure be interesting to watch! We hope you enjoy this tribute to the great players and gain a few insights into the skills and character that helped them make it to the pinnacle of the sport. May there be many more selection headaches to come.



The Rugby World Cup takes place in France in 2023 and will have its biggest ever TV audience in the millions.

Rugby Union is played in many countries including USA, Canada, UK, France, Italy, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and Ireland.



NBA Legends

The word legend is thrown around all too readily these days, but there can be no doubt that the NBA players featured in this hardback book are the very best to have ever graced a basketball court. They are true legends of the game.

Spanning the decades and covering all the league's most iconic eras, we uncover the fascinating stories and incredible accomplishments of the greatest basketball players of all time, from the game's first superstars, Wilt Chamberlain, Bill Russell and Jerry West, to the modern-day greats of the late Kobe Bryant, LeBron James and Kevin Garnett. There are also in-depth features on Lakers legends Magic Johnson, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and Shaquille O'Neal, as well as Celtics great Larry Bird, while we also explore 23 reasons why Michael Jordan is the greatest of all time.

The Netflix documentary series, *The Last Dance*, featuring Michael Jordan has become a top rated series worldwide, watched by millions of viewers and generating huge interest in the NBA.

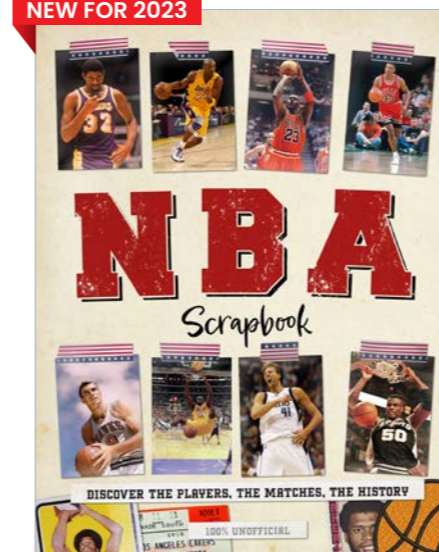
NBA players such as Kobe Bryant and Michael Jordan are stars throughout the world and the NBA is increasing its popularity and viewership year on year.

Basketball as a sport is played in every country in the world and the NBA is its biggest league.

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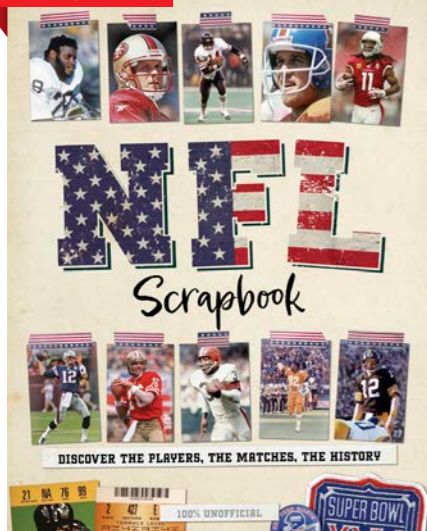
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Spanning the decades and covering all the NFL's most iconic eras, we uncover the fascinating stories and incredible accomplishments of the greatest football players of all time, from the game's first superstars like Don Hutson and Jim Brown, to modern giants such as Tom Brady, there's something for every NFL fan here. sport. May there be many more selection headaches to come.

Over almost a century, the NFL has provided fans with hundreds of unique personalities, countless unforgettable moments and some of the greatest feats of sporting brilliance ever seen. From its humble beginnings in the American Midwest to the global phenomenon it has become today, the league has evolved and changed almost beyond recognition. But the exploits of the footballing heroes of years past continue to stand the test of time.

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In NFL Legends we've collected stories on dozens of the league's most celebrated players. With expert commentary and lavish photography, you'll explore and rediscover the attributes that made these players, coaches and teams iconic, as well as the moments that propelled them to greatness. From early innovators like Don Hutson and Jim Brown, to modern giants such as Tom Brady, there's something for every NFL fan here.

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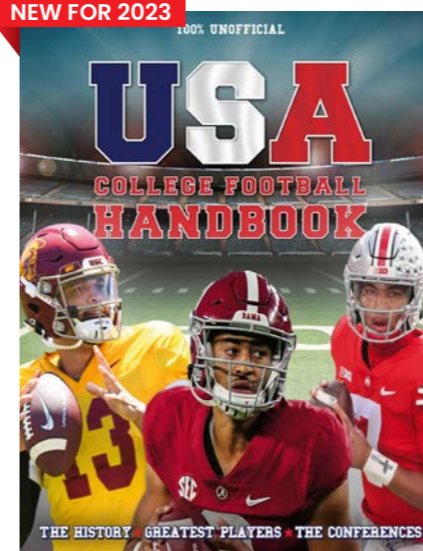
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USA College Football Handbook

Edited by Jessica Leggett

American football is unlike any other sport in the world. Whether or not you are a die-hard NFL fan, you have probably heard about college football, watched by millions of passionate fans every year.

The USA College Football Handbook will teach you everything you need to know, from the fundamentals of football to the greatest players and games in college football history. You'll also find breakdowns for the biggest teams in the sport, including the Georgia Bulldogs and Michigan Wolverines, and profiles on the FBS conferences. This handbook is the ultimate guide that will turn any college football novice into an expert!

A hugely popular sport between universities in the USA with millions in regular TV audiences.

In some areas of the USA, College Football is as popular as the pro game.

In many cases, College Football is the players' stepping stone to the professional draft.

This book has complete breakdowns of the major teams and conferences in the sport.

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Olympic Legends: Team GB

Written by Keir Radnedge & Aidan Radnedge

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The Olympic Games are unique. Nothing in world society, culture and sport matches the magnificent spectacle every four years of more than 10,500 sportsmen and woman pursuing the dream of gold medal glory.

The original Olympics, more than 2,000 years ago, were confined to ancient Greece. Today's stars compete in front of a worldwide audience measured in billions. Modern media technology has established them as household names and here are the stories of 100 Team GB superstars plus a selection of other Games legends.

British competitors have brought home more than 280 gold medals. These include 'Chariots of Fire' champions Harold Abrahams and Eric Liddell to Seb Coe and Steve Ovett and more recently Jason and Laura Kenny, Chris Hoy plus Steve Redgrave and so many more since the first British Olympic champion, weightlifter Launceston Elliot, in Athens in 1896. Within these pages the qualities behind the talents which have delivered such historic sporting drama are both examined and celebrated.

ABOUT THE AUTHORS:

Keir Radnedge has been reporting on high-level worldwide sport for more than 50 years from summer and winter Olympic Games to the soccer World Cup. Aidan Radnedge is a daily newspaper writer noted for his extensive coverage of major sporting events including Olympics, Paralympics and football World Cups.

Paris will host the 2024 Olympic Games from 26 July - 11 August 2024

Athletes from more than 100 countries worldwide will be competing in more than 30 different sports

The Paris games will be watched by more than 3 billion people worldwide on TV and digitally.

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Olympic Legends: Team USA

Written by Keir Radnedge & Aidan Radnedge

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US competitors have brought home more than 1,000 gold medals, led by the likes of Carl Lewis, Jesse Owens and Wilma Rudolph on the track, Michael Phelps and Mark Spitz in the pool and so many more since the first American Olympic champion, James B Connolly, in Athens in 1896. Within these pages the qualities behind the talents which have delivered such historic sporting drama are both examined and celebrated.

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 200+ colour and mono photographs

The Greatest 100 Albums To Own On Vinyl

Vinyl record sales have continued to soar consecutively for the past 12 years, with them hitting a 25-year high last year in the UK.

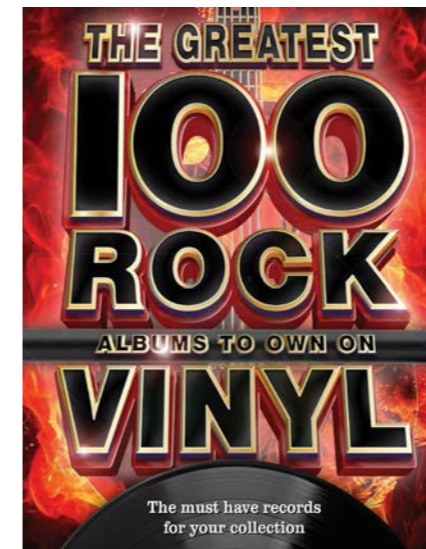
Even in this digital age, we haven't moved so far from our past that there's no room for the traditional musical format that is vinyl. In The Greatest 100 Albums To Own On Vinyl, we collate the greatest albums to have ever been pressed and then sold on vinyl since the '50s. From the bands and solo artists that made the music possible, to the sleeve art and limited edition extras of the record itself, we will take you on the ultimate journey of musical discovery.

Vinyl LP Sales up 13.6% in the UK and 19% in the USA in 2019.

Annual Record Store Day in the UK and USA is hugely successful at promoting vinyl sales.

In the USA over 7.6 million vinyl LPs sold in the first half of 2018.

Vinyl sales account for 18% of all physical music sales in the USA.



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The Greatest 100 Rock Albums To Own On Vinyl

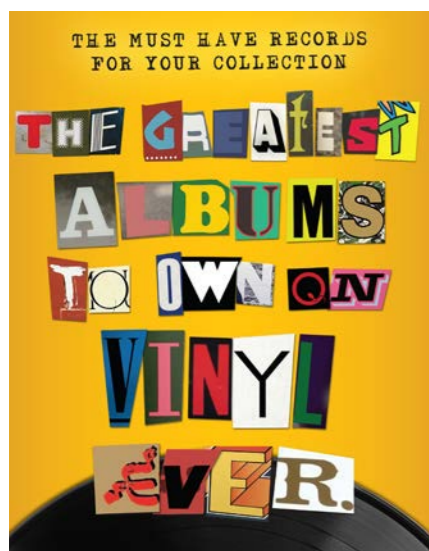
There are way more than 100 Great Rock Albums, and there are no hard and fast criteria by which to judge the greatness of an album. All you can do is measure popularity - the artistic currency a record currently has with critics or the public.

So what, then, is the point of this, The 100 Greatest Rock Albums Classic Rock special? Think of it, maybe, as an opinion poll, a beginner's guide, a celebration of some of the greatest music ever made, and a snapshot of a time. Nothing here is set in stone, and if we do this again the results will almost definitely be different.

The result is 152 pages dedicated to some of the greatest records ever made, the albums that have soundtracked the lives of generations. When we were making this, we listened to each and every one of them. Far from being a difficult slog through music we've listened to a thousand times, it reminded us of why we love rock music so much. We hope it does the same for you.

This book is compiled by the makers of Classic Rock magazine, the best selling rock title.

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2019 was a record breaking year for vinyl sales.

This year will be the 12th straight year of vinyl sales growth.

Over 90,000 vinyl records sold on 2018 UK Record Store Day in April.

Over 4 million vinyl LPs sold in the UK in 2019.



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The Beatles on Vinyl

Written by Pete Chrisp

Not all Beatles fans know everything about the Beatles. Not all grew up with them. Not every fan has all of their singles gathering dust at the back of the loft. But now, with the huge resurgence in collecting and playing vinyl, the Beatles' records are more sought after than ever. Thankfully, not everyone wants Beatles records for their monetary value or as an investment... but to play them on a record player and listen to some of the greatest music of the last 60 years.

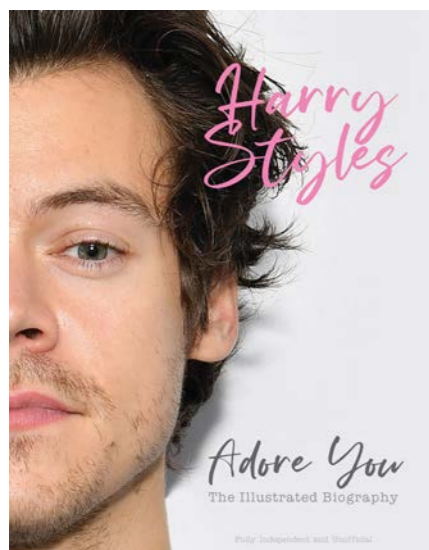
In this independent, in-depth, illustrated publication, music writer, journalist, Beatles fan and obsessive record collector Pete Chrisp points like-minded enthusiasts in the right direction when it comes to choosing the very best Beatles recordings among the hundreds of (sometimes confusingly complicated) options available.

This 30,000-word analysis includes every UK and US Beatles studio album, reviewed and rated.

Additional sections covering the Beatles' live LPs and their very best compilations and boxsets.

More than 30 Beatles UK and US singles listed and reviewed.





Harry Styles: Adore You

Written by Carolyn McHugh

Harry Styles is an English singer, songwriter, and actor. His musical career began in 2010 as a contestant on the British music competition series *The X Factor*. Following his elimination, he was brought back to join the boyband One Direction, which went on to become one of the best-selling boybands of all time.

Styles' self-titled debut solo album debuted at number one in the UK and the US, and became one of the top-ten best-selling albums of the year. His second album, *Fine Line* (2019), topped the US Billboard 200 with the biggest first-week sales by an English male artist in history. Aside from music, he is also known for his flamboyant fashion, and is the first man to appear solo on the cover of *Vogue* magazine.

Harry Styles is one of the highest profile celebrities in the world, regularly appearing on the front pages of leading magazines and newspapers.

He has sold over 100 million albums throughout his career.

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Harry Styles: As It Is

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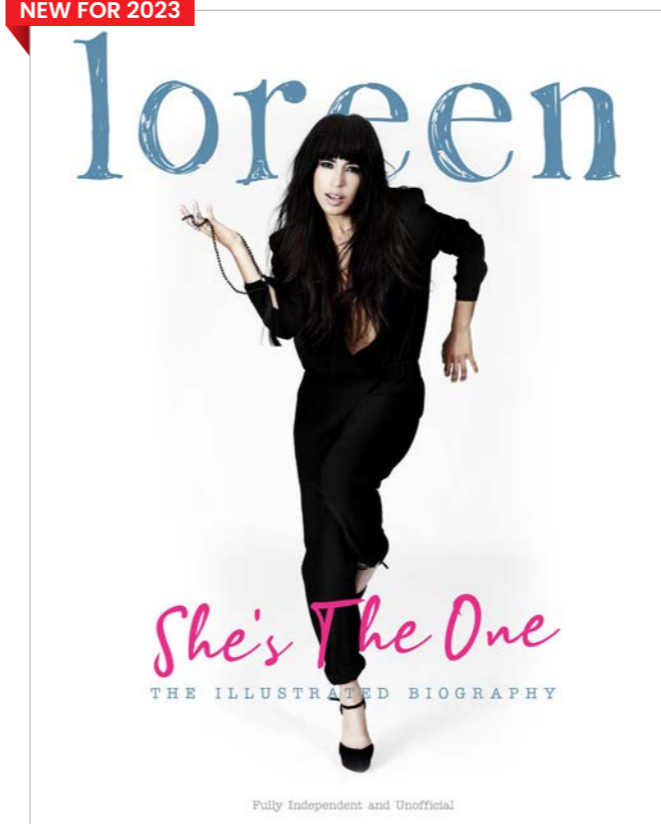
He has a burgeoning film career as well as an extremely successful music career.

His 'Love On Tour' series of live shows were on until July 2023.

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NEW FOR 2023



Loreen: She's the One

Written by Carolyn McHugh

RRP **£21.99** Hardback Book
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After shooting to stardom after her first win in 2012 with the smash hit *Euphoria* – officially the most downloaded Eurovision song of all time – Loreen topped the Swedish charts with her debut album *Heal*. After spending time exploring new music and developing her profile as a human rights activist, she made an amazing musical comeback to win the Eurovision Song Contest for Sweden again in 2023 with her soaring pop anthem, *Tattoo*.

Watched live by over 160 million viewers worldwide, Loreen captivated the audience and beat off strong competition to lift the trophy for an amazing second time. As well as breaking more streaming records with *Tattoo* – 60million downloads on Spotify within 48 hours of the win – Loreen has won legions of new fans who can't get enough of her incredible vocals and athletic performances. Yet success has come against the odds for Loreen, the eldest of six siblings, born to first generation immigrants from Morocco, when her mother was only 16.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

Carolyn McHugh is an editor and writer specialising in popular music, fashion, and culture. From the birth of rock and roll in the mid-1950s through to modern artists of the 21st century, she has written about everyone from legends such as Elvis Presley, Elton John, and George Michael, to the young stars of K-pop and country, and new fan favourites Harry Styles and Billie Eilish.

Winner of Eurovision 2023 in Liverpool with the song 'Tattoo'.

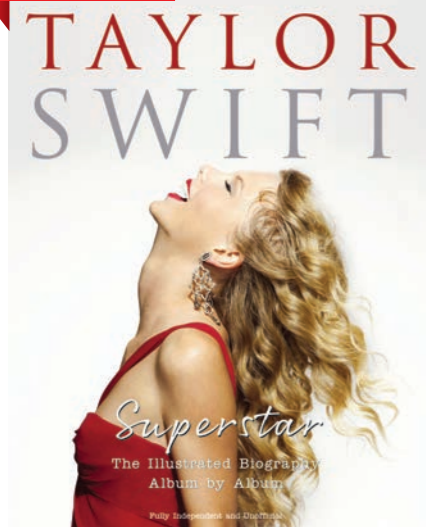
Winner of Eurovision 2012 with her song 'Euphoria'.

She is the first women to have won Eurovision twice.

Tattoo was a No 1 single in 11 countries and also a top 10 Single in several other countries around the world.



NEW FOR 2024



Taylor Swift: Superstar

Written by Carolyn McHugh

This is Taylor Swift's life story, in albums, so far in a beautifully illustrated hardback edition.

Her record sales top 200 million worldwide and she is the most streamed female artist on Spotify. Her 2022 album *Midnights* added to her many billions of streams by amassing a record 184.69 million streams in its first 24 hours. Along the way, every one of her 10 studio albums has topped the charts. Her latest, worldwide tour, the Eras Tour, is her most ambitious yet – a three-hour, 44-song set split into 10 acts, each celebrating one of her albums.

Universally acclaimed, critics and audiences alike marvelled at Taylor's vocals and musicianship as she headed up the strenuous and inventive all-stadium shows which sold out in seconds.

So what better way to tell her incredible story than through the musical development shown in her albums.

The Wall Street Journal reported that the Eras Tour is on track to become the biggest in concert history, with the potential to gross over \$1 billion.

The Eras Tour film is being released in over 100 countries from the end of 2023.



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Billie Eilish: Your Power

Written by Carolyn McHugh

Billie Eilish is an American singer and songwriter. She first gained public attention in 2015 with her debut single "Ocean Eyes" which was written and produced by her brother, Finneas O'Connell, with whom she frequently collaborates on music and in live shows.

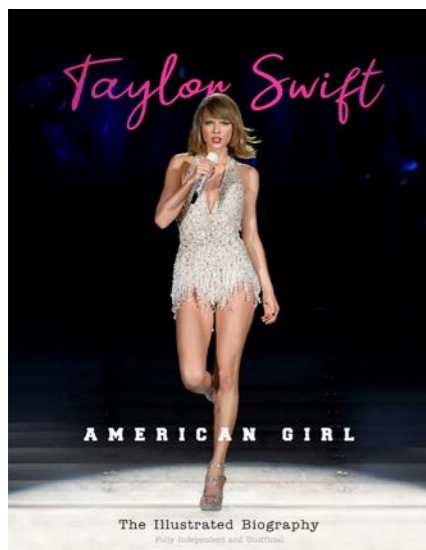
Eilish's first studio album, *When We All Fall Asleep, Where Do We Go?* was one of the best-selling albums of 2019, buoyed by the success of its fifth single and Eilish's first number-one, "Bad Guy". In 2020, she co-wrote and performed the theme song for the James Bond film, "No Time to Die".

Eilish has received accolades, including seven Grammy Awards, two American Music Awards, one Guinness World Record, three MTV Video Music Awards, and two Brit Awards. She is the youngest artist in Grammy history to win all four general field categories—Best New Artist, Record of the Year, Song of the Year, and Album of the Year—in the same year.

Billie Eilish is a once-in-a-generation superstar with huge visual flair and darkly poignant lyrics.

Billie Eilish is one of the most followed artists on Tik Tok with 200 million likes.

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Taylor Swift: American Girl

Written by Carolyn McHugh

With great photographs to illustrate this amazing story, the book takes you from her birth in West Reading, Pennsylvania, to Nashville, Tennessee, where at the age of 14 she signed her first song writing deal with Sony/ATV Music Publishing.

Her discography spans multiple styles, from country pop through to her experimentation with pop, rock, urban, and electronic genres. A string of massively successful albums, singles and live tours delivered over 200 million sales worldwide and has made her one of the best selling artists of all time.

Supremely talented, smart and brave she is the perfect pop star for our times, dealing with the challenges of global fame, the changing music business and incredible tabloid attention, while producing record-breaking albums at a dizzying rate. This is her story so far...

Having sold over 200 million records worldwide, Swift is one of the best-selling musicians of all time.

She has had eight Billboard Hot 100 number-one songs, and won 11 Grammys (including three Album of the Year wins), an Emmy and 34 American Music Awards.



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BTS: Dynamite

Written by Carolyn McHugh

K-Pop sensations BTS are the biggest boy band in the world and the first Korean act to achieve number one albums and singles in the US and UK with their special brand of turbo-charged hip hop and rap.

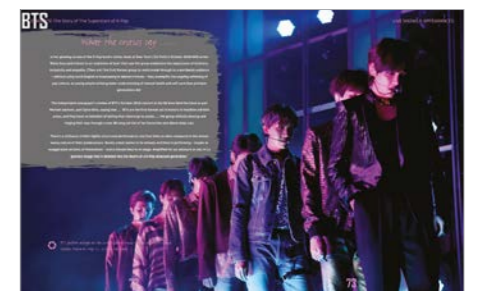
The talented group of rappers, vocalists and dancers who make up BTS are RM, Suga, J-Hope, Jin, Jimin, V and Jungkook. Their fresh sound has made them the most exciting act to dominate the music charts for years and the highest grossing boy band of all time. They've achieved what previously seemed impossible by cracking the music market in the West – and show no sign of stopping.

While they are still creating innovative music, shattering records and winning awards around the world, their history is still in the making. But this is their story so far...

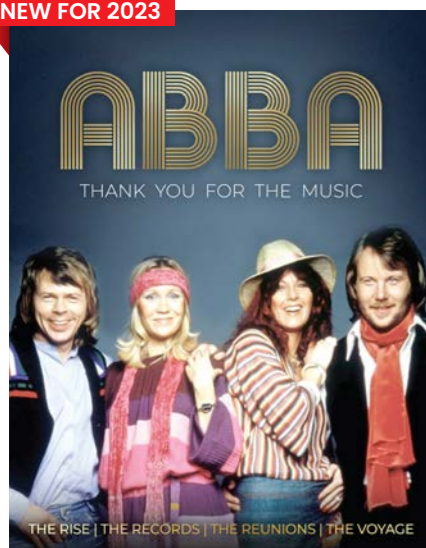
BTS are one of the highest profile bands in the world, regularly appearing on the front pages of the leading magazines and newspapers.

They have sold over 100 million albums and have over 36 million followers on Instagram.

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NEW FOR 2023



ABBA Thank You For The Music

Edited by Charles Ginger

They say the winner takes it all, and when it came to fame, fortune and writing their name into the annals of pop music, ABBA certainly did. But just how did four young Scandinavian singers join forces to become the biggest-selling pop band in history?

From their early days as budding artists to winning Eurovision, storming the global charts and bringing Australia to a hysterical halt, this is the history of arguably the most iconic pop act the world has ever seen. With in-depth analysis of all nine studio albums, accounts from their tours and a look at how the band managed to keep turning out the smash hits even as their private lives collapsed, prepare to dive into a world of glitzy gear, record-breaking songs and blockbuster movies. Oh, and there's the fishy agreement that made it all possible. I hope you enjoy the journey.

Abba are amongst the best selling artists of all time.

Over 300 million records sold during their career.

They were inducted into the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in 2010.

Abba Voyage, a virtual concert residency in London, commenced in May 2022 to rave reviews.



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BlackPink: Pretty Savage

Written by Carolyn McHugh

Meet Jisoo, Jennie, Lisa, and Rosé – the four members of the allconquering K-Pop girl group BLACKPINK.

Since making their debut in South Korea in 2016, BLACKPINK's meteoric rise to global fame has seen them storm the charts, sell out arenas and achieve multi-platinum sales all around the world. Their infectious dance/pop/rap tracks, including studio albums, Blackpink: The Album and Born Pink and hit singles Whistle, Ddu-Du Ddu-Du, How You Like That and Pink Venom, are among the most listened to on streaming platforms, while their intricately choreographed videos have billions of views on YouTube. They also made history as the first K-Pop girl group to play the Coachella music festival in California in 2019.

Their music video for Ddu-Du Ddu-Du has more than 2 billion views on You Tube.

They are the most followed and most streamed girl group ever on Spotify.

They are the first Korean girl group to top the Billboard 200 and UK Albums chart.



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Bee Gees: How Deep is Your Love

Written by Michael A. O'Neill

The Bee Gees were formed in 1958. Their lineup consisted of brothers Barry, Robin, and Maurice Gibb. The trio were especially successful as a popular music act in the late 1960s and early 1970s, and later as prominent performers of the disco music era in the mid-to-late 1970s with the soundtrack album 'Saturday Night Fever'.

The group sang recognisable three-part tight harmonies with Barry's R&B falsetto becoming their signature sound during the late 70s and 80s. The Bee Gees wrote all of their own hits, as well as writing and producing major hits for other artists. They have sold over 120 million records worldwide, making them one of the world's best-selling artists of all time. They were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1997. This is their Incredible story.

The Bee Gees had 8 No 1 Singles on The Billboard Charts.

5 UK Number 1 singles.

6 Grammy Awards.



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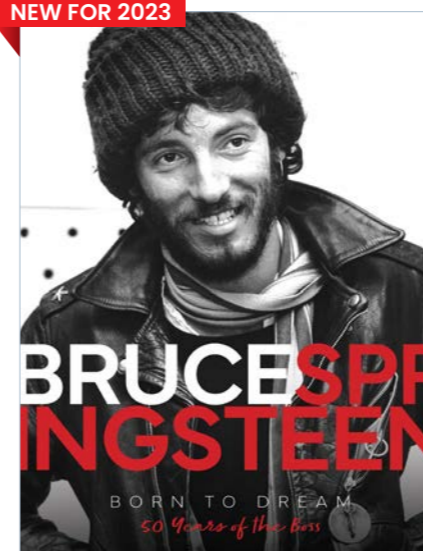
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NEW FOR 2023



Bruce Springsteen: Born to Dream

Written by Alison James

For over fifty years, Bruce Springsteen has been on top of the Rock 'n' Roll stage with 20 studio albums and has dedicated his life to music-making and social commentary songwriting. This book examines every part of his musical career, discussing his influences and how his background shaped his songwriting.

His albums have reflected deeply-felt passions and concerns, from the position of the American working man in The River and Nebraska, to deep personal relationships in Tunnel of Love; from the bleak vistas in Darkness on the Edge of Town to the anger of Born in the U.S.A.

The book features rare memorabilia and images from Springsteen's career and includes features on the E Street Band who have been with him for the bulk of his recording and performing career.

Springsteen has announced a major world tour including USA and European dates in 2023 with the E Street Band.

The Tour will kick off in February 2023 and has sold more than one million tickets to date.

Bruce Springsteen is one the most popular rock artists in the world.



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NEW FOR 2023



Elton John: Farewell

Written by Carolyn Thomas

During a dazzling 50 year musical career, Sir Elton John has risen from playing the piano in the pubs of Pinner, North London, to become a multi award-winning global superstar, with record sales of over £1 billion.

Elton John: Farewell tells his extraordinary story and features his Farewell Tour. Few would have imagined that Elton's early success and emotional connection with his fans would be sustained over the next 50 years to see him become a singer songwriter extraordinaire and one of the most successful musical theatre composers in history.

Flamboyant and prone to excess Elton has overcome problems with drink, drugs and his sexuality to become a notable fundraiser and charity campaigner.

Sir Elton John has won five Grammy Awards, five Brit Awards, an Academy Award, a Golden Globe, a Tony Award and the Kennedy Center Honors in 2004.

He was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1994, is an inductee into the Songwriters Hall of Fame, and is a fellow of the British Academy of Songwriters, Composers and Authors.



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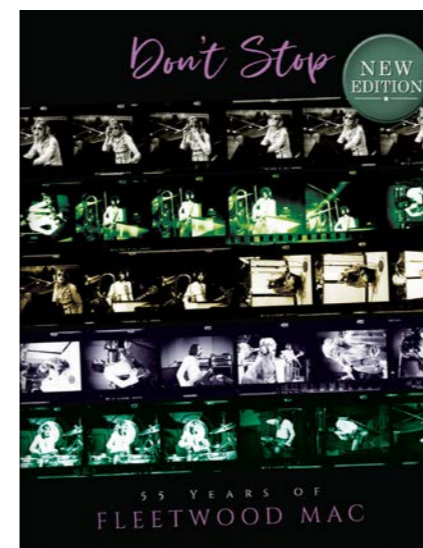
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Don't Stop: 55 Years of Fleetwood Mac

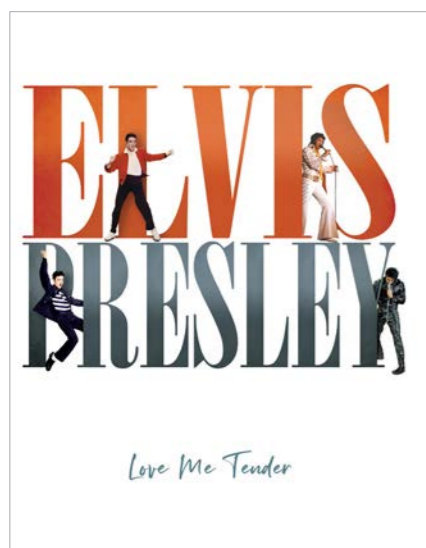
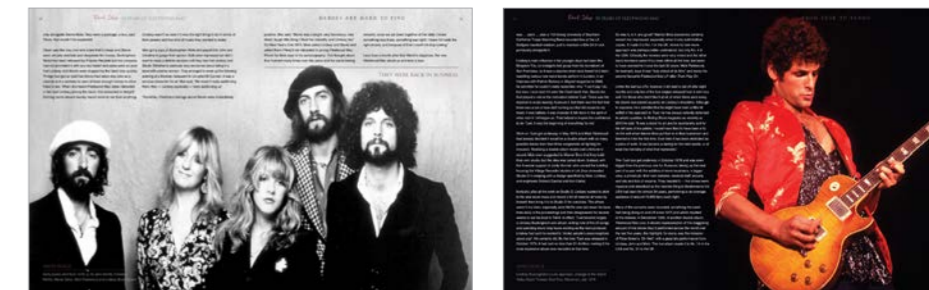
Written by Peter Chrisp

Fleetwood Mac began as a little blues band in London, England, in 1967. Fifty years later, they remain one of the biggest bands of all time – a position they have held since 1977 when they released an LP titled Rumours that went on to become the world's best-selling album.

That, in itself, is a remarkable story. Now consider the highs and lows, the successes and failures, the personal turmoil, tragedy and heartbreak through which this band has journeyed over the last 50 years – and the story of Fleetwood Mac becomes one of pure drama.

In this independent, lavishly illustrated publication, music writer and journalist Pete Chrisp reveals the true story of how, despite all of those confrontations, pinnacles and all-time lows, the chain of Fleetwood Mac remains unbroken. Now fully updated to include Peter Green's Fleetwood Mac and all the musicians and members that have made the band one of the best selling of all time.

A fully revised and updated 36,000-word analysis covering the band's history from Peter Green's Fleetwood Mac in 1967 through to their current swansong days as one of the biggest bands in the world.



Elvis Presley: Love Me Tender

Written by Michael O'Neill & Carolyn McHugh

Packed with rare photographs and stunning on-the-page facsimile memorabilia, this book provides an insight into the unique journey of one of the most significant cultural icons of the 20th century, Elvis Presley.

Follow the incredible story of the man they call the "King of Rock and Roll." Elvis Presley's life and career are shown, from his carefree beginnings at Sun Records in the 1950s to global superstardom. In addition, the book features rare interviews with the legendary Elvis guitarist Scotty Moore, Drummer DJ Fontana, and Elvis's loyal backing singers the Jordanaires. To bring you even closer to the King, the book features a wide variety of superb on-the-page rare memorabilia and documents from the archives, including tour posters, personal letters, publicity material, and fascinating items and tickets from his greatest gigs and best albums.

A major Hollywood film biopic was released worldwide in June 2022 starring Tom Hanks as Colonel Tom Parker and Austin Butler as Elvis, and directed by Baz Luhrmann.

A unique hardcover book and rare memorabilia set on the page.

The book includes rare interviews with Elvis backing group members Scotty Moore and DJ Fontana.



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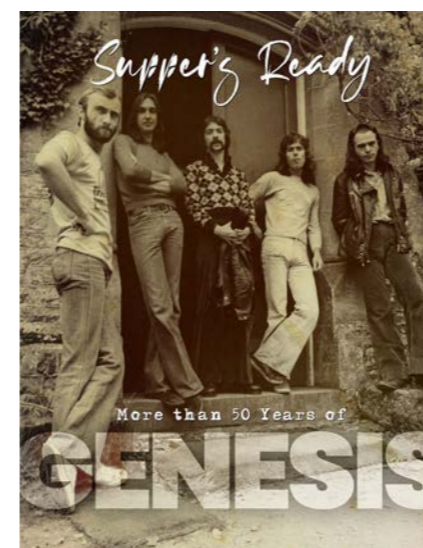
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Text: 30,000 words

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Supper's Ready: More than 50 Years of Genesis

Written by Peter Chrisp

In the beginning, there was Genesis. A band created out of nothing at Charterhouse public school in southern England, it was made up of a group of posh, talented kids with no great desire for fame, but who just wanted a chance to write good songs for other people.

In this independent, beautifully illustrated publication, music writer and journalist Pete Chrisp tells the remarkable story of how a few young boys from Surrey public schools were able to evolve, almost unwittingly, despite constant schoolboy bickering and regular line-up changes, into one of the most creative and influential bands in progressive rock. And how, in the early 80s, they transformed themselves once again, from prog-rockers to global pop stars, selling an estimated 150 million albums worldwide and producing two of the planet's most successful solo artists – Peter Gabriel and Phil Collins.

An in-depth, 40,000-word analysis covering the band's history from Peter Gabriel, Tony Banks, Mike Rutherford, Anthony Phillips, Chris Stewart and John Silver as Charterhouse schoolboys in 1967, through to one of the biggest bands in rock and pop history, fronted by Phil Collins

A perfect tie-in with Genesis' 'The Last Domino? Tour' which finished in 2022.



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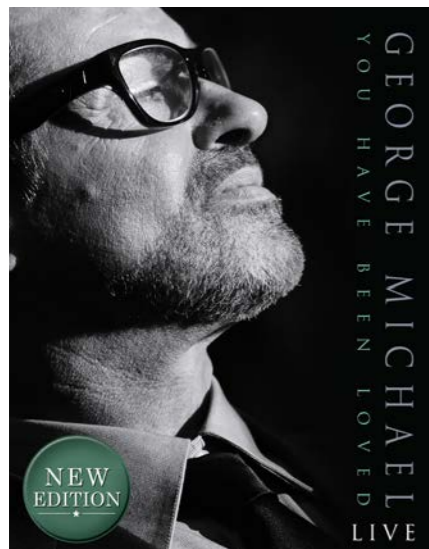
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George Michael: You Have Been Loved – Live

Written by Carolyn McHugh

George Michael was an English singer, songwriter, record producer, and philanthropist who rose to fame as half of the pop duo Wham! and later embarked on a solo career. Michael has sold over 115 million records worldwide, making him one of the best-selling artists of all time.

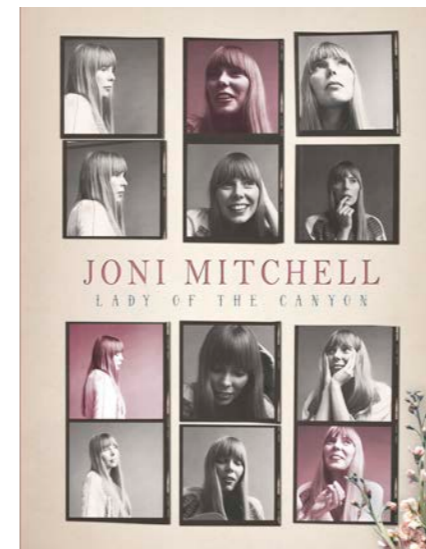
He was widely known for his success in the 1980s and 1990s, including Wham! singles such as "Wake Me Up Before You Go-Go" and "Last Christmas" and solo singles such as "Careless Whisper" and "Faith".

Michael, who came out as gay in 1998, was an active LGBTQ+ rights campaigner and HIV/AIDS charity fundraiser. He also collaborated with such musical royalty as Elton John, Aretha Franklin, Queen, Mary J. Blige, Whitney Houston, Paul McCartney and Beyoncé.

New and Revised Edition featuring all the tours.

George Michael has sold over 100 million records and his hits have over a billion streams on Spotify.

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 144 pages
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Joni Mitchell: Lady of the Canyon

Written by Michael A. O'Neill

Joni Mitchell is Canadian singer-songwriter and one of the most influential musicians of all time. Drawing from folk, pop, rock, and jazz, Mitchell's songs reflect social and environmental ideals as well as feelings on romance, confusion, disillusionment, and joy.

One of the most important female recording artists of the last 50 years, Joni Mitchell began singing in small nightclubs in her hometown of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, and throughout western Canada, before busking in the streets and nightclubs of Toronto, Ontario. In 1965, she moved to the United States and began touring.

Her 1971 album Blue is often cited as one of the best albums of all time; it was rated the 30th best album ever made in Rolling Stone's list of the "500 Greatest Albums of All Time", the highest entry by a female artist.

In 2000, The New York Times chose Blue as one of the 25 albums that represented "turning points and pinnacles in 20th-century popular music".

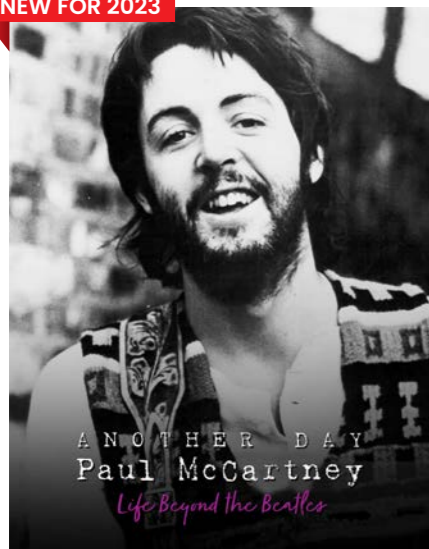
She has won nine Grammy Awards.

Rolling Stone called her one of the greatest songwriters ever.

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NEW FOR 2023



Paul McCartney and Wings

Written by Pete Chrisp

After the breakup of the Beatles in 1971, Paul McCartney formed Wings. For ten dramatic and turbulent years, the band weathered the critics, endured drug busts, survived a harrowing recording session in Nigeria, changed drummers constantly, and produced a great deal of remarkable music.

One of the most successful bands of the 70s, this post-Beatles years book tells the stories behind the number 1 hits "Listen To What the Man Said," "My Love," "Band on the Run," "Jet," "With a Little Luck," and "Coming Up." Pete Chrisp reveals the band's inner dynamics and Paul's determination to pursue a new sound, the criticisms that wife Linda initially got from fans and bandmates, and the character conflicts that kept the line-up changing.

Paul McCartney headlined Glastonbury in June 2022 and was watched by millions around the globe.

He turned 80 years old in 2022 and this event garnered enormous publicity.

Paul McCartney is one of the most revered musicians alive today and his US tour has been setting records with audiences throughout North America.

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Pink Floyd Live: Collected

Written by Alison James

This stunning illustrated book provides an insight into the unique journey of one of the most ground breaking and influential British groups of all time, Pink Floyd.

Featuring set lists from their major tours, the reader can follow their incredible journey from when they first formed in 1965 and originally consisted of students Syd Barrett, Nick Mason, Roger Waters, and Richard Wright, with Dave Gilmour making it a five piece in 1967 and Syd Barrett leaving the band in April 1968.

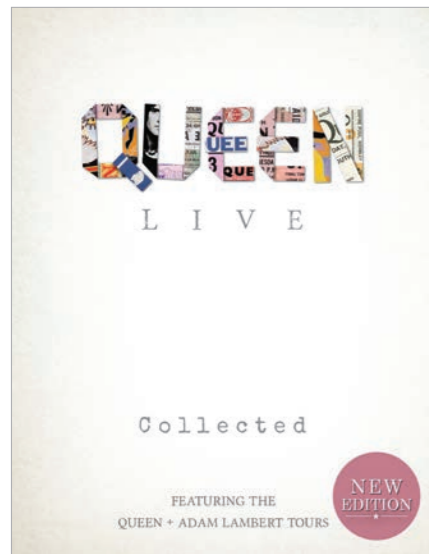
Pink Floyd's rise as one the most commercially successful and musically influential groups in the history of rock music with their ground breaking tours is featured on the pages with rare images and memorabilia including tickets and programmes.

Pink Floyd have sold more than 250 million records worldwide, making them one of the best-selling music artists of all time.

Wish You Were Here, The Dark Side of the Moon, and The Wall are among the best-selling albums of all time, and the latter two have been inducted into the Grammy Hall of Fame.

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Queen Live: Collected

Written by Alison James

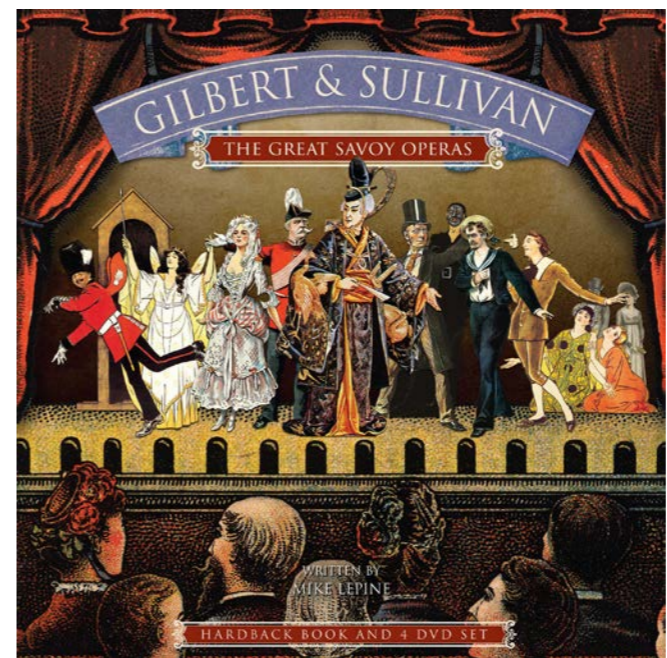
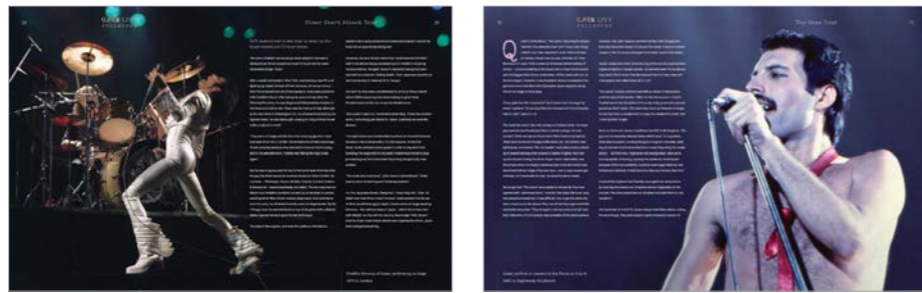
During 20 years as one of the world's best loved rock bands, Queen played a total of over 700 concerts throughout the world.

The band's earliest documented concerts were at colleges in the Home Counties of England in 1970; their performance at Live Aid in 1985 at Wembley is considered one of the best live shows anywhere, and their final show was at Knebworth Park on August 9th 1986. And then there was the Freddie Mercury Memorial Concert at Wembley Stadium. This stunning illustrated book includes set lists of many key shows and takes the reader through each tour in depth highlighting their career and a generation of rock music.

Queen are one of the biggest rock bands in the world. "Another One Bites the Dust" (1980) became their best-selling single, while their 1981 compilation album Greatest Hits is the best-selling album in the UK and is certified eight times platinum in the US.

Their record sales are at least 300 million, making them one of the world's best-selling bands.

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Gilbert & Sullivan The Great Savoy Operas

Written by Mike Lepine

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The partnership of W S Gilbert and Arthur Sullivan produced a collection of the best loved and (still!) oft performed comic operas in the history of theatre.

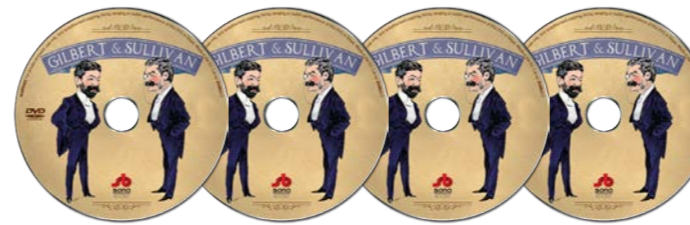
Here is the story of each of G&S's greatest works - from inspiration to opening night and beyond - woven into a fascinating account of their lives, times and the giddy rise to global celebrity. The book features many rare photos and a dazzling selection of illustrations from contemporary posters, programmes, memorabilia and merchandise.

The accompanying DVDs feature a cast of award-winning stars including Peter Allen, Joel Grey and Frankie Howard in: The Gondoliers, HMS Pinafore, The Mikado and The Pirates of Penzance.

Music by the London Symphony Orchestra and The Ambrosian Opera Chorus.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

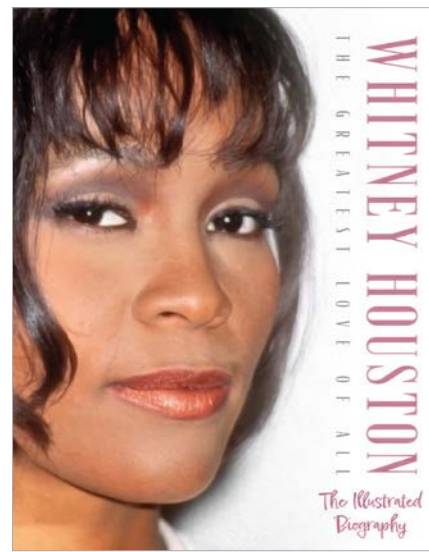
Mike Lepine is a Sunday Times No1 best-selling author. He has written some thirty-five books and has been published throughout the world from America to Finland, and from France to Japan. He has also worked extensively in television in programming as diverse as the arts, consumer rights and comedy. For many years the Editor of the Aviation & Military Video Club, Mike was instrumental with DD Home Entertainment in bringing much rare archival film footage to the public for the very first time.



Gilbert & Sullivan Operettas are still performed world-wide by professional and amateurs alike and are some of the most popular shows in the cultural calendar.

The 4 DVDs feature world class productions of 4 of the most popular Gilbert & Sullivan shows.

The DVDs included with this book are regularly in the best selling Performing Arts DVDs on Amazon worldwide.



Whitney Houston: The Greatest Love Of All

Written by Carolyn McHugh

Delighting fans with her extraordinary voice, captivating performances and phenomenal record sales, Whitney Houston smashed her way into the pop history books as one of the biggest stars of the 1980s and 90s.

She made millions as one of the best-selling music artists of all time with record sales of more than 170 million worldwide. Along the way she notched up an unprecedented seven consecutive number one singles on the US Billboard Hot 100 chart, ahead of The Beatles and The Bee Gees.

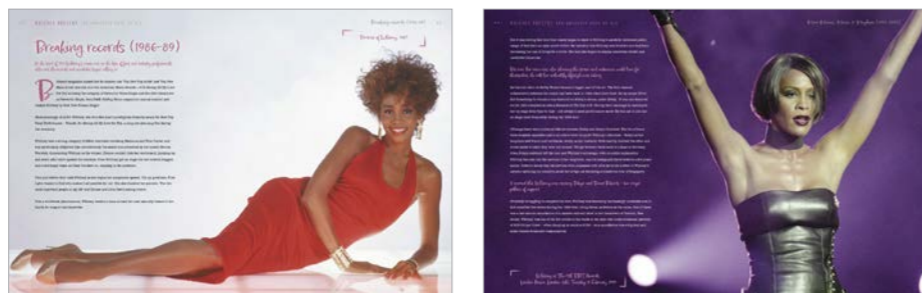
Clive Davis who discovered Whitney Houston and guided her career is producing a major Hollywood biopic of her life to be released in Cinemas in 2023.

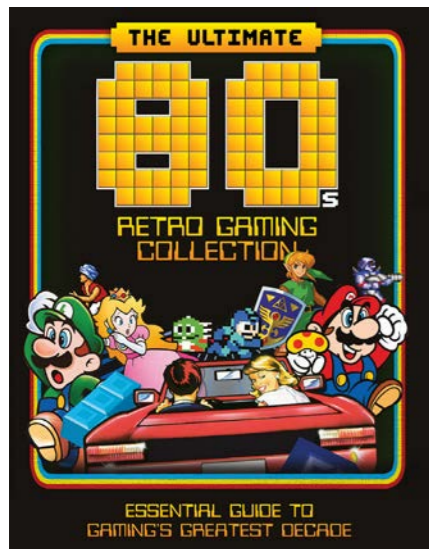
Whitney is one of the most streamed artists of all time on Spotify with billions of streams of her tracks

Her tracks on the Bodyguard soundtrack album made the album the best selling film soundtrack of all time a record still held to this day.

Whitney has enduring popularity with fans all over the world and the film will generate huge interest in her as an artist once more.

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The Ultimate 80s Retro Gaming Collection

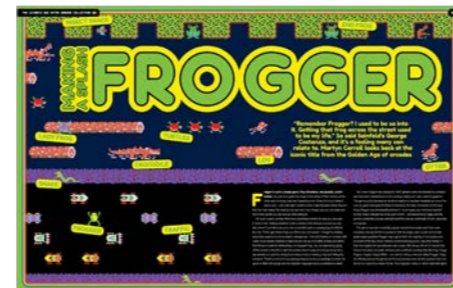
While gaming really burst onto the scene in the Seventies with the likes of Space Invaders and Galaxian hitting arcades, it was the Eighties that truly revolutionised it.

Not only did the arcade craze continue to grow, but over the decade home computers and consoles became more commonplace, while some of the best-loved videogame franchises and characters were born. Among the many gaming highlights of the decade were Pac-Man, Tetris, Frogger, OutRun, Zelda and the Super Mario franchise to name just a few. Inside you'll find fascinating in-depth features on these games, while we also run down the greatest games from the best home consoles and computers of the Eighties – from the NES and C64 to Sega's Master System and the Amiga 500. So join us as we take a stroll down memory lane and discover why Eighties gaming ruled. Enjoy!

The 1980s was one of the greatest gaming decades, which saw Super Mario Bros. and Tetris released and the computer gaming world truly established itself.

Donkey Kong was also a best seller worldwide.

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The Complete Book of Mario

When Shigeru Miyamoto created "Jumpman" for his new platform game, Donkey Kong, it's highly unlikely that he realised he was creating the most recognisable gaming character of all time. That's exactly what happened though, and after a quick name change to Mario, as well as a change in professions (he started off life as a carpenter), the mascot to end all mascots was born.

Everyone remembers the first time they discovered the princess they were rescuing was in another castle, or their first encounter with Bowser. They remember the impact of witnessing a 3D Mario in Super Mario 64 or the time they teared across Rainbow Road in Super Mario Kart. There is no denying that Mario has had an incredible impact on the gaming industry.

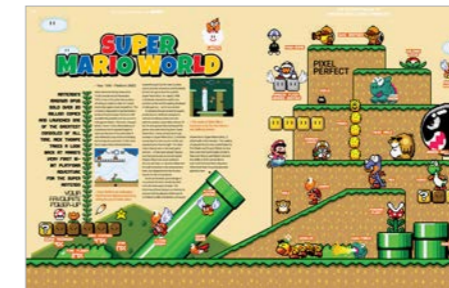
Every classic Mario game covered.

First appeared in Donkey Kong in 1981.

Best-selling video game franchise of all time.

Over 500 million Mario games sold.

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The Ultimate 90s Retro Gaming Collection

The 90s were an exciting time to be a gamer as most of the hard work had already been done by the pioneering developers during the 70s and 80s, meaning talented coders were able to take these existing themes and ideas and build upon them and as a result some of the greatest games of all time came from this halcyon period including Super Mario World, Sonic the Hedgehog 2 and Streetfighter II: The World Warrior.

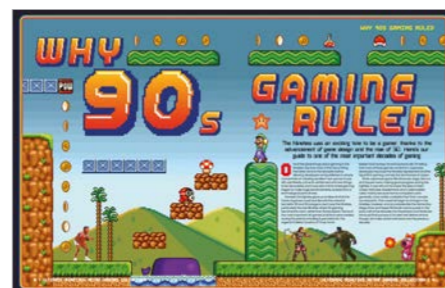
The 90s were also a time when home computer gaming was on the wane as more and more gamers were turning towards exciting new consoles that were coming out, including Sony PlayStation which would not only shake up the industry but help shape it into what we enjoy today. With that in mind this new book is dedicated to the greatest games that were available to play during this amazing decade, from the aforementioned of Sonic the Hedgehog 2 to Super Mario World, Tomb Raider and the excellent Ridge Racer so get ready for a serious nostalgia hit!

The 1990s was one of the great Gaming decades which saw Sonic the Hedgehog 2 and Super Mario World and Tomb Raider arrive.

Super Mario World sold over 20 million copies and was turned into a best selling animated TV series of the same name.

The 90s was also the decade where gaming consoles began to take over including Sony's Playstation which went on to sell billions and is the dominant gaming console today.

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The World of Minecraft

Written by: James Hunt | Editor: Simon Brew

It's incredible to think that Minecraft has already been around for over ten years and counting – and it just keeps on getting better! There is no other videogame quite like it out there. It's also a game packed with secrets, intricacies and a huge number of things to do, which is where The World of Minecraft comes in. Over the coming pages, we've crammed in as much as we possibly can about this blocky masterpiece.

We're going to take you right through the basics, then show you how to survive and even thrive in the game. Finally, we finish off with some advanced stuff at the back! Make sure you're ready for the amazing adventure ahead! And most importantly, make sure you enjoy your time Minecrafting! Just watch out for creepers...

It is the best selling videogame created to date, selling more copies since launch than Grand Theft Auto.

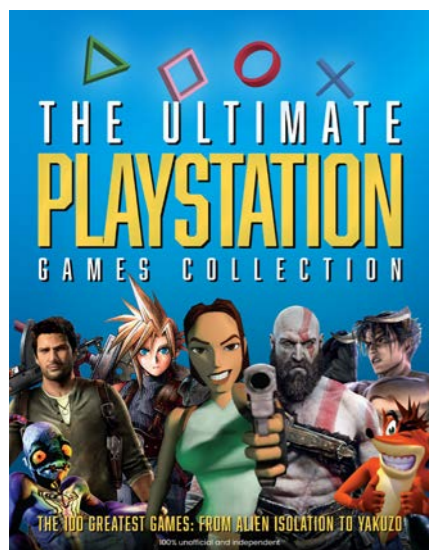
The Pocket Edition has sold over 230 million copies since launch.

Minecraft is one of the only videogames that continues to grow its users after a decade since its launch.

Minecraft Marketplace creators have generated more than US \$350m to date.

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The Ultimate Playstation Games Collection

Sony's PlayStation revolutionised the videogame industry. It wasn't the first home console, but it brought gaming to the masses in a way few other systems at the time managed to do.

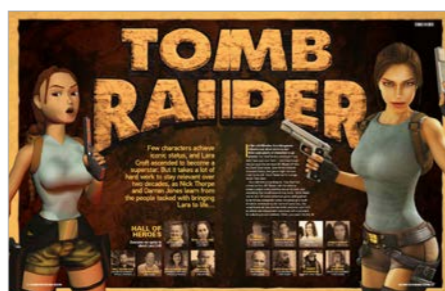
Now, more than 25 years after its initial release, there are over 10,000 games spanning Sony's home and handheld consoles, and PlayStation leads the way in console exclusives. With so many experiences and genres to choose from, it can be daunting. But fear not! We've compiled 100 unmissable titles that no PlayStation fan's library should be without.

Some titles will challenge you and test your wits, others provide simple escapism. Some will make you laugh, others may make you cry – but each experience will be unforgettable.

The original Playstation console in the series was the first console of any type to ship over 100 million units, doing so in under a decade.

Its successor, the Playstation 2, was released in 2000 followed by the PS3, PS4 and the PS5 in 2020. Each console has sold in the region of 100 million units.

The Playstation Network is an online service with over 110 million registered users and over 103 million active users monthly.



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The Ultimate Guide To Stranger Things

Written by Joel McIver, Steve Wright, Carolyn Thomas

Taking the world by storm when it first dropped in 2016, *Stranger Things* combines all the best bits of sci-fi, horror and '80s nostalgia to create a world that had viewers gripped from the very start.

We take you on an epic journey to Hawkins, Indiana, to explore the roots of Netflix's smash-hit show and to celebrate its monster success. You'll find profiles of the series' much-loved – and some less so – characters, meet the horrifying creatures of the Upside Down and discover in-depth breakdowns of the seasons so far, including the recently aired 4th Season.

And that's not all – for the superfans out there we also uncover the wonderful world of *Stranger Things* fandom and look at the merchandise, spin-offs and more inspired by the show.

Stranger Things is one of Netflix flagship series.

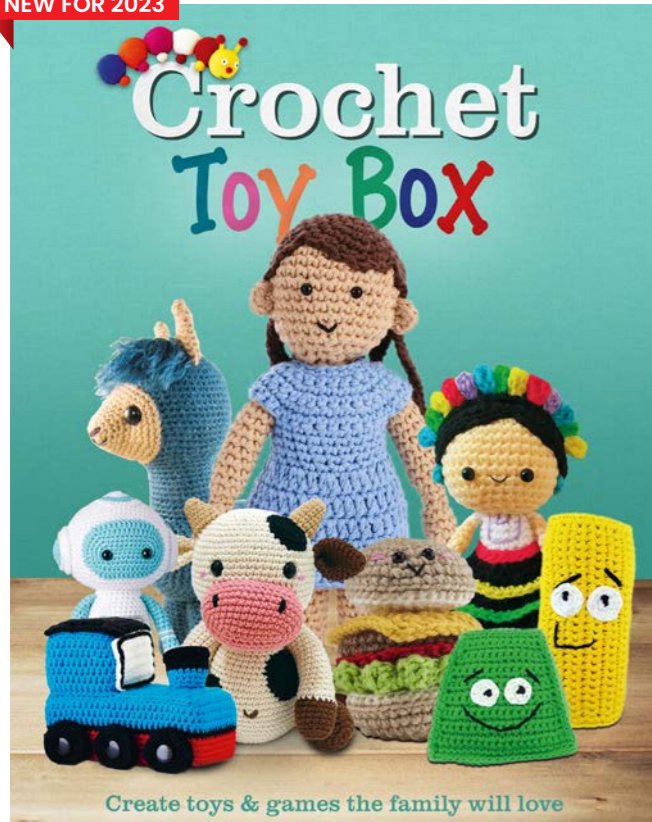
The series has received numerous awards including Golden Globes, BAFTAs, Emmy Awards and Grammy Awards.

The most recent 4th Season broke viewing records for Netflix.

A new 5th season is planned for broadcast in 2023.



NEW FOR 2023



Crochet Toy Box

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Every kid loves to have fun – so why not fill up their toybox with delightful handmade toys?

From bears and dolls to rattles and lovies, we've got everything you need to create crochet toys and games for the little ones in your life. They can take a trip to Mexico with an amigurumi doll, learn colours and shapes with fun geometric patterns, and battle each other in naughts and crosses.

For crochet beginners, we've also included a handy guide to get you started in the craft. So what are you waiting for?

You're just a stitch away...

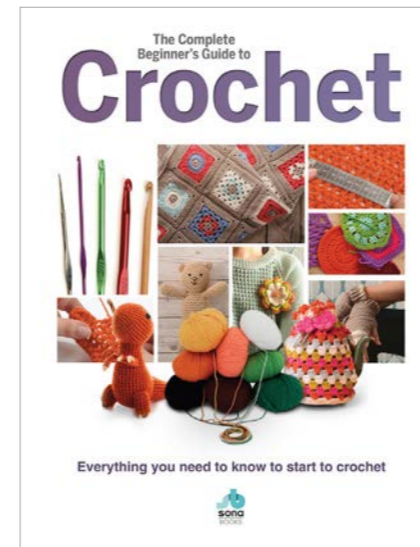


Crochet is a dramatically growing hobby among all ages.

Straightforward text, ideal for the beginner.

Research has shown that 61% of people who take up the hobby use books to help them get started and learn.

Amazing feelings of self-worth upon completion.



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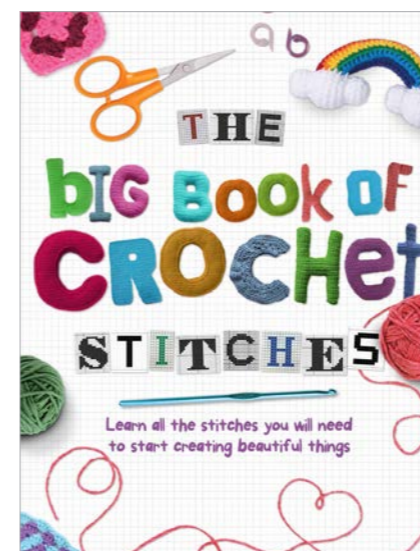
The Complete Beginner's Guide to Crochet

Crochet as a hobby has boomed in recent years, with the art being passed down to younger generations. Fashionable and thrifty, making your own garments, gifts and decorations has become a really popular pastime.

The Complete Beginner's Guide To Crochet will show you all the essential stitches and techniques you'll need to get started, from your very first foundation chain to adding embellishments like fringe and edging. Once you've mastered those techniques, it's time to put them into practice! Turn to the starter projects section for easy-to-follow patterns from experienced crocheters. Start with the rose corsage and basic bunting, then progress onto more advanced projects like the amigurumi baby sloth. Follow our simple steps and you'll soon be creating beautiful items worthy of the high street. Happy crocheting!

Crochet is a dramatically growing hobby among all ages.

Julia Roberts, Cameron Diaz, Daryl Hannah, Hilary Swank and many other celebs swear by their crocheting and knitting hobbies.



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The Big Book of Crochet Stitches

Written by Katharine Marsh

Crochet has boomed in recent years, offering craft lovers a new way to make thoughtful gifts, inexpensive accessories and homemade decorations.

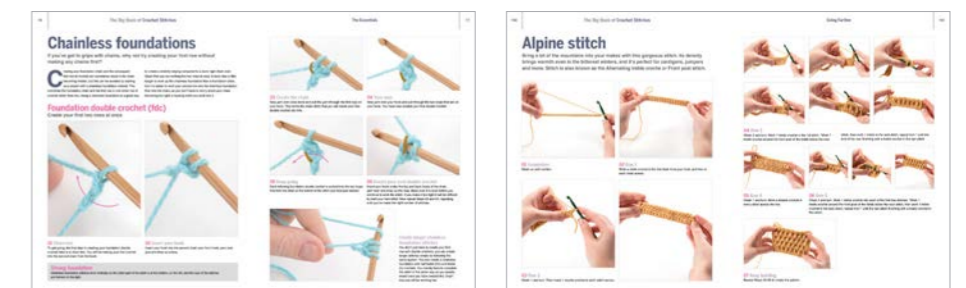
The Big Book of Crochet Stitches is the perfect companion for crochet crafters of any skill level that are looking to discover fun and creative new stitches. Packed with all of the basic techniques to refresh your memory, this book contains all of the information that you need to complete an array of stitches so you can tackle your next crochet project with confidence.

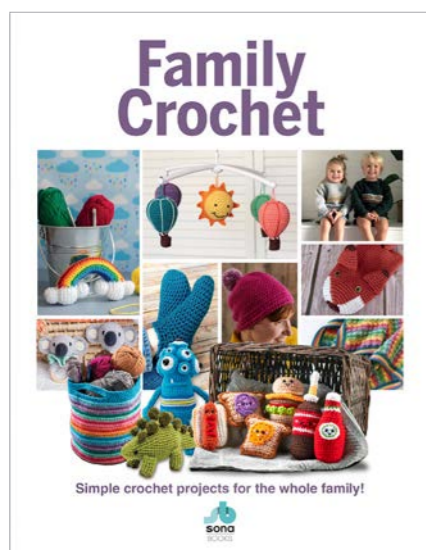
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Family Crochet

Family Crochet is the perfect companion for crochet crafters of any skill level who are looking to create adorable gifts for all the family to enjoy.

From baby toys and playroom characters to cosy jumpers and cute dresses, there really is something for everyone. With easy-to-follow instructions and straightforward patterns, you'll be making unique presents and clothes for all your loved ones. So, what are you waiting for? Turn the page and start your creative journey today!

Great projects for all the family including:

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The Complete Beginner's Guide to Knitting

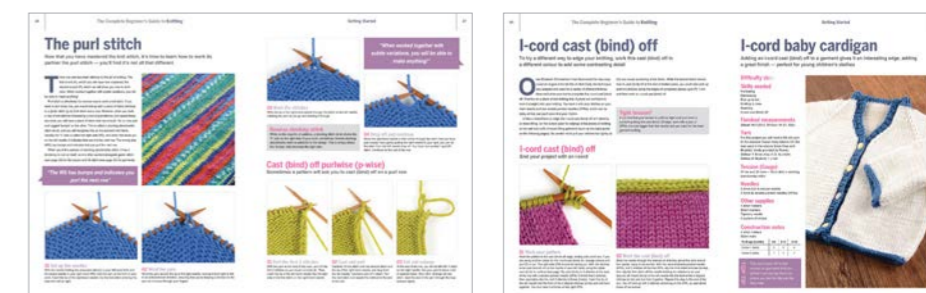
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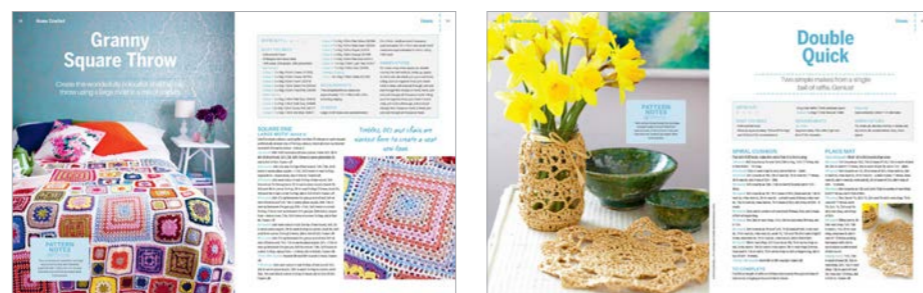
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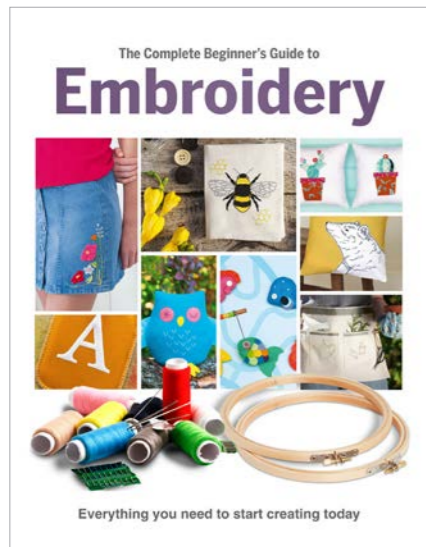
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The Complete Beginner's Guide to Embroidery

Written by Esme Clemo and Katharine Marsh

There's something therapeutic about taking a piece of fabric and turning it into something wonderful. Whether you're adorning it with a flowery motif, cross stitching the name of a newborn or creating something colourful for your wall, the punching of the needle through a fat quarter or Aida and the rustle of the thread that follows is incredibly calming.

In The Complete Beginner's Guide to Embroidery, you can experience this for yourself. Regardless of if you're a needlework novice or a seasoned sewer, we've laid out all the tools and techniques you need to get started. The wide range of projects you'll find in these pages mean that you'll never be short of gifts for birthdays, holidays, Christenings or those 'just because' moments.

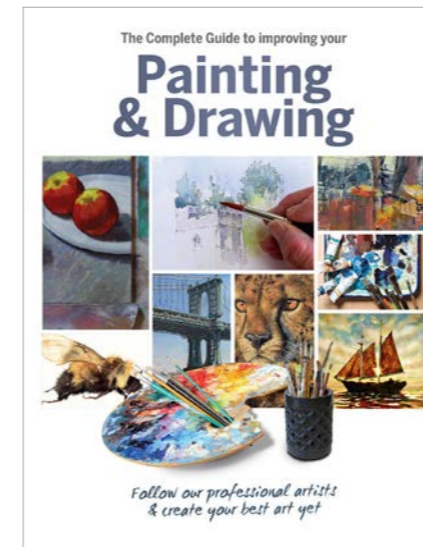
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The Complete Guide to Improving Your Painting & Drawing

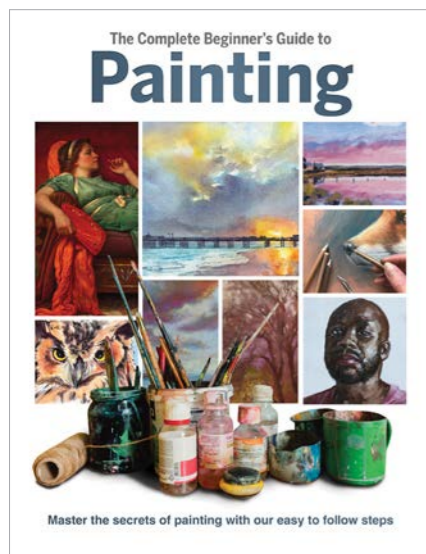
Creating a piece of art is a rewarding, challenging and very personal endeavour – The Complete Guide to Improving your Painting & Drawing is here to take you through that journey from start to finish.

Whether you are interested in oil painting, watercolours, pencil sketching or pastel work, The Complete Guide to Improving your Painting & Drawing has something for you. The book will guide you from your initial sketch to your finished piece and teach you how to develop your skills and produce your best work yet. You'll be able to experiment with an unfamiliar medium thanks to the step-by-step workshops that cover everything from essential pencil shading techniques to getting the most out of plein air painting.

People can draw and paint on their own or with others.

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The Complete Beginner's Guide to Painting

Written by Phillipa Grafton

There's more to painting than simply picking up a paintbrush and getting creative. Which medium should you use? What should you paint? Where do you begin? And how do you channel your creativity onto your canvas?

In the Complete Beginner's Guide to Painting, we'll guide you through the basics of the most popular mediums, from watercolours to oils. We'll explore the kit you need to give yourself a head start, and reveal the techniques you need to master to unleash your inner artist.

So, what are you waiting for? Get painting!

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The Complete Beginner's Guide to Watercolours

With their delicate textures and soft colours, there's no doubt why watercolours are the most popular painting medium. But as any artist will tell you, getting started with painting isn't as simple as buying the right kit – there are techniques to practise, mistakes to make, and skills to perfect.

In The Complete Beginner's Guide to Watercolours, we'll delve into everything you need to know to get started with painting in watercolour, from the different types of paint out there and what brushes to add to your arsenal, to how to create unique blending effects and capture accurate texture.

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The Compact Beginners Guide to Crochet will show you all the essential stitches and techniques you'll need to get started, from your very first foundation chain to adding embellishments like fringe and edging. Once you've mastered those techniques, it's time to put them into practice! Turn to the starter projects section for easy-to-follow patterns from experienced crocheters. Start with the rose corsage and basic bunting, then progress onto more advanced projects like the amigurumi baby sloth. Follow our simple steps and you'll soon be creating beautiful items worthy of the high street. Happy crocheting!

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Julia Roberts, Cameron Diaz, Daryll Hannah, Hilary Swank and many other celebs swear by their crocheting and knitting hobbies.

Crocheting helps people relax and reduce their stress levels



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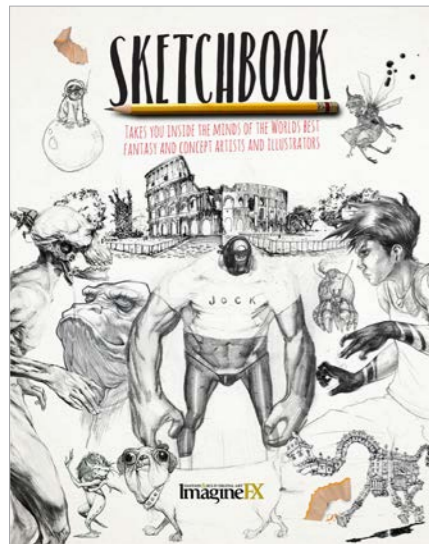
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Sketchbook

The sketching stage is integral to any piece of art – it forms the foundations that everything else balances on. Sketches can often provide interesting insights into the processes and thinking behind the finished piece, as well as showing off technique and skill.

An artist's sketchbook is sacred and personal – often thought of like a diary – filled with uncensored thoughts, emotions and unique flourishes that are special to them. The freewheeling excitement in sketches – where artists don't hold back, don't over-think, don't censor – is hard to beat.

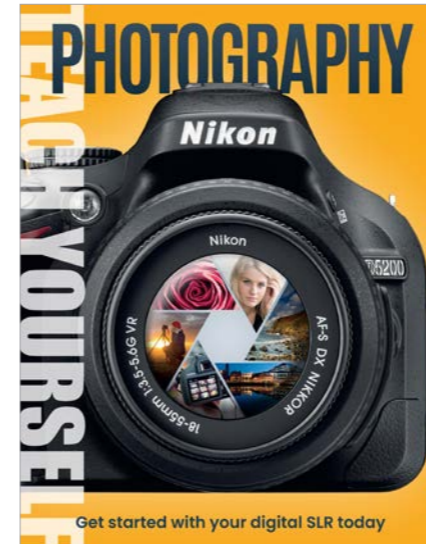
Sketchbook is about captured moments bursting with creativity, straight from the minds of the finest illustrators around the world. Whether you're a practising fantasy artist, a student or even a hobbyist wanting to take your skills further, there's something here for you: so, dive in and discover crazy creatures, cool futuristic vehicles and stunning expansive environments.

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Teach Yourself Photography

Written by Chris George

What the beginner photographer really needs is a no-nonsense guide to the most important features on DSLRs, written by experts, that reveals, in plain English, exactly what they need to know and nothing more. This is that book.

Teach Yourself Photography explains all the photography concepts beginners need, such as how to balance exposures, how to get sharp shots, and how to maximise image quality. Once you've mastered these basics, you can then move on to our more advanced skills section at the end of the book, featuring practical how-to guides for shooting a range of core subjects.

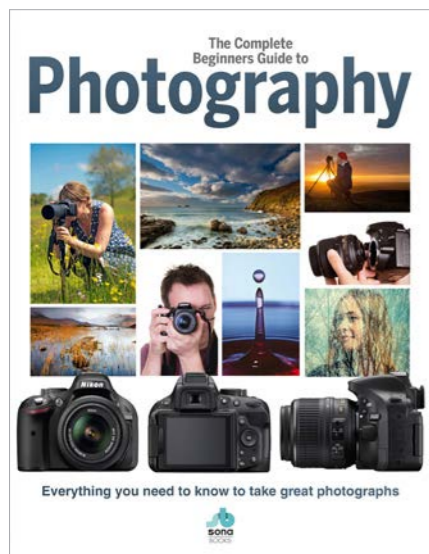
Take your photography to the next level and start learning today!

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The Complete Beginner's Guide to Photography

Compared with camera phones and compact cameras, modern DSLRs can seem terribly complicated to the novice photographer.

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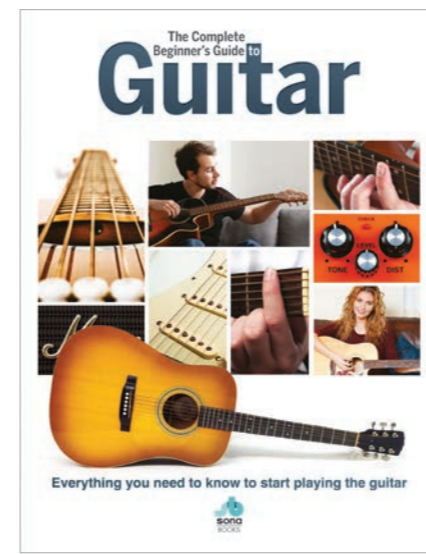
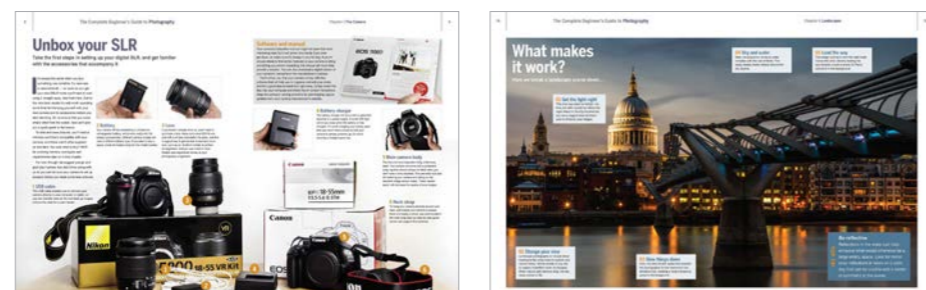
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The Complete Beginner's Guide to the Guitar

The guitar is one of the most popular instruments for first-time learners, allowing players the flexibility to play various musical styles.

Whether you aspire to play for fun or to live out your ambitions of taking the stage at Wembley, the end goal may seem like a distant dream when you strum your first chord. With what might seem like an endless list of notation marks, scales and chords to grasp, practice and commitment are essential. Luckily, The Complete Beginner's Guide To Guitar is on hand to be your learning companion, guiding you through the basics and helping you lay firm foundations for future development. Our step-by-step tutorials are even accompanied by free online resources such as video tutorials and audio files to point you in the right direction and provide examples of how your guitar playing should sound. With plenty of practice, you will be finger picking, string bending and making compositions worthy of that Wembley stage in no time at all.

Second most popular instrument to learn behind the piano for adults.

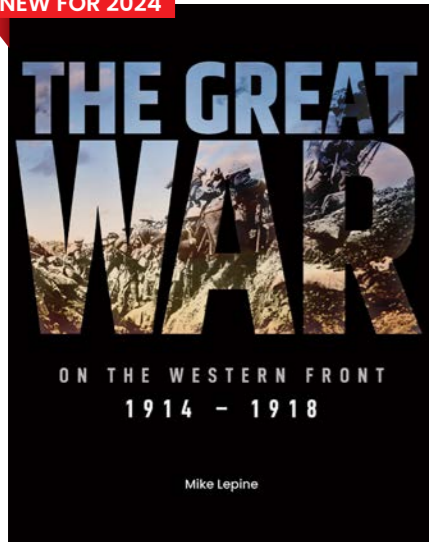
Recently overtaken the violin as the second most popular for children.

In 2017, 2.5 million guitars were sold in the USA and 750,000 guitars in the UK.

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The Great War on the Western Front

Written by Mike Lepine

The 1914 – 1918 First World War or The Great War as it came to be known was the first truly global conflict, and changed the course of world history.

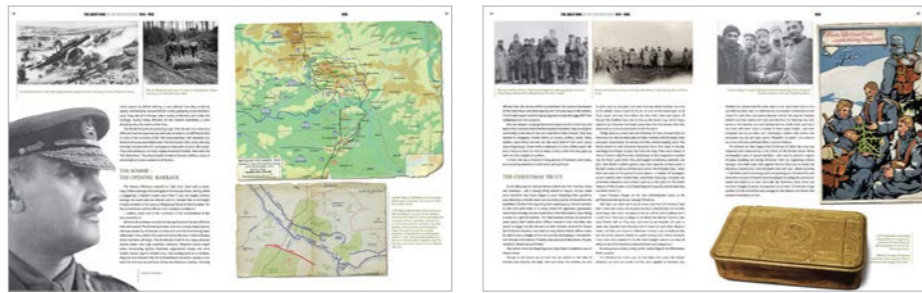
When World War I began in 1914, both sides had anticipated a swift and decisive victory, but the war quickly bogged down into a stalemate. The Western Front extended from the English Channel in the north to the Swiss border in the south, covering approximately 700 kilometers (about 440 miles).

This illustrated book examines this brutal conflict in detail. Why war broke out and how technology and tactics developed throughout the conflict determined which battles were won and lost including trench warfare, gas, tanks, aircraft, submarines and the development of a new fire power.

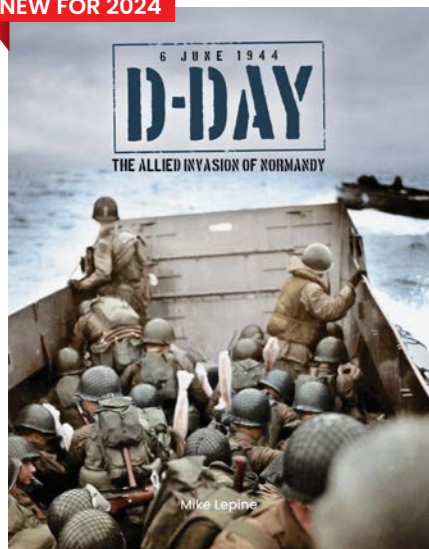
28th July 2024 is the 110th Anniversary of the beginning of the War.

The story of a critical moment in world history.

Over 100 images including detailed maps of the Western Front.



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D Day: The Allied Invasion of Normandy

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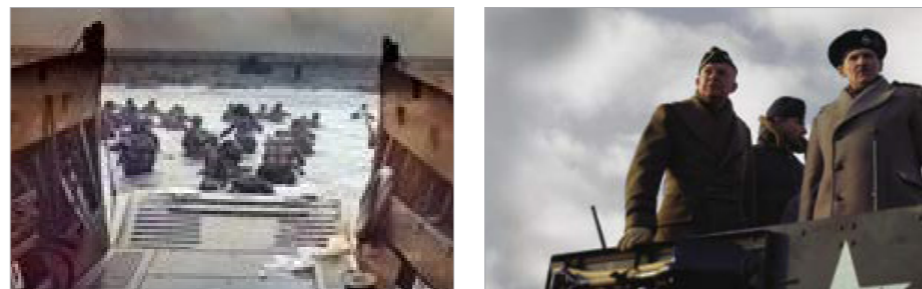
In the early hours of Tuesday, 6th June 1944, three divisions of paratrooper and glider forces descended on Normandy. Already assembling offshore was the largest seaborne invasion fleet in the history of the world, ready to unleash over 130,000 troops against Hitler's Atlantic Wall. More than 7,000 aircraft filled the skies. D-Day – and the liberation of Europe – had begun.

Facing them were massive concrete strongpoints bristling with Nazi artillery, machine gun nests and pill boxes, untold miles of barbed wire, vast minefields and underwater obstructions designed to rip fragile landing craft apart. For the troops heading into the beaches and the paratroopers fighting to survive just a few miles inland, it would truly be 'The Longest Day.' Featuring an exceptional selection of historic photographs as well as detailed battle maps, D-DAY provides a gripping account of the airborne actions and the beach assaults as well as revealing the top secret war fought by the Allies in the build up to the invasion.

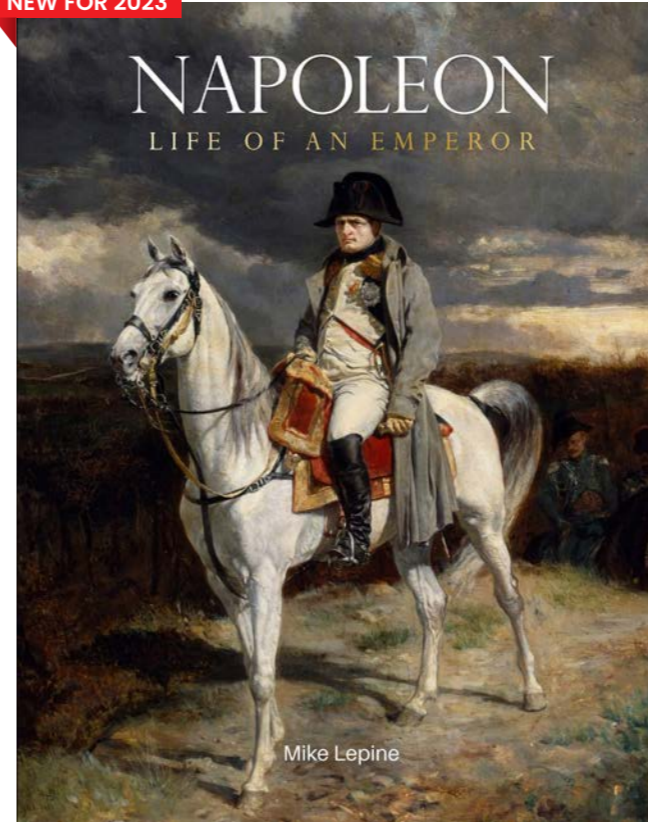
The 80th Anniversary of D Day falls on June 6th 2024.

The Normandy Landings was the largest naval air and land operation in history and most well known battle in WWII.

The landing beaches Utah Omaha Gold Juno and Sword are famous throughout the world.



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ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

Mike Lepine is a Sunday Times No1 best-selling author. He has written some thirty-five books and has been published throughout the world from America to Finland, and from France to Japan. He has also worked extensively in television in programming as diverse as the arts, consumer rights and comedy. For many years the Editor of the Aviation & Military Video Club, Mike was instrumental with DD Home Entertainment in bringing much rare archival film footage to the public for the very first time.

Napoleon

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From childhood dreams of joining the British Royal Navy to a dotage spent riding on a seesaw to improve his health, the true story of Napoleon Bonaparte is every bit as bizarre and fascinating as it is controversial.

Napoleon rose up out of the chaos and horror of the French Revolution to offer a shattered nation dreams of future glory, honour and a place once more at the forefront of Europe.

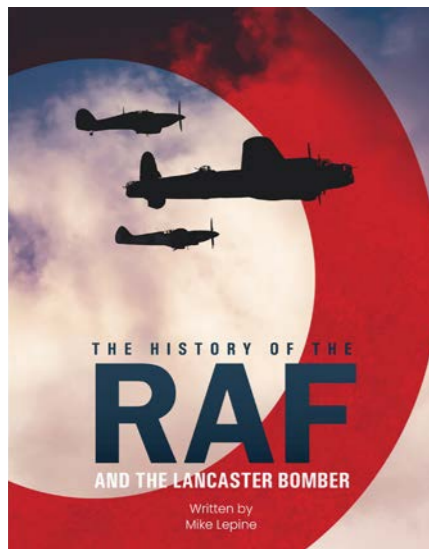
After he seized power through a mixture of propaganda and rigged elections, Napoleon's armies waged a seemingly never-ending war throughout Europe, from Portugal to Imperial Russia. Many hundreds of thousands died in battle, or of disease and starvation. France itself would lose 50,000 soldiers on average during every year under Napoleon's control.

Napoléon claimed to be furthering the libertarian values of the Revolution to free the continent, but then he had himself crowned Emperor, began moves to reinstate a hereditary monarchy and had slavery reintroduced throughout the French Empire.

Profusely illustrated, this new biography by bestselling author Mike Lepine offers a fresh and unforgettable portrait of a true military legend.

Ridley Scott and Apple/Sony are releasing Major film of his life in November 2023 worldwide.





The History of The RAF and the Lancaster Bomber

Written by Mike Lepine

The History of The RAF and the Lancaster Bomber celebrates and commemorates over 100 years of the Royal Air Force. With access to rare RAF archives, Mike Lepine uses photographs and documents to bring the story of the people, planes and missions to life as never before. With a special feature on the Lancaster Bomber which took its maiden flight in 1941.

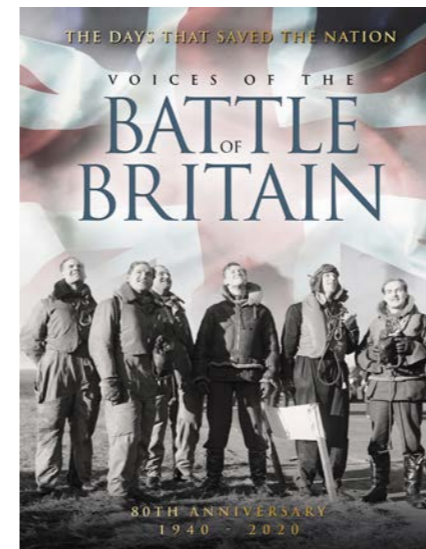
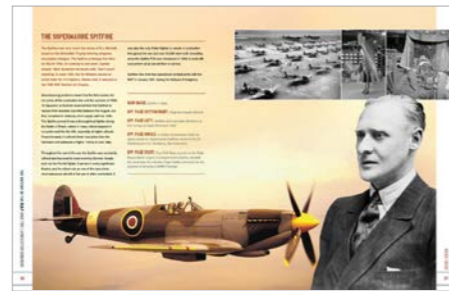
From its genesis in the horrors of the First World War, when pilots were open to the elements in craft made of little more than wood and fabric, to the iconic air battles of the Second World War, through to the lifesaving missions carried out in today's trouble zones, The History of the RAF looks at the men, women and aircraft that are at the heart of this great service.

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Voices of the Battle of Britain

Written by Mike Lepine

It was a crucial moment of World War Two. 1940. The Royal Air Force, virtually alone, defended the skies of Britain against massed formations of German bombers. They put up such a ferocious defence that Hitler gave up ideas of invading Britain and turned his attention to an assault on the Soviet Union.

Of those pilots who courageously flew their Spitfires and Hurricanes against the Luftwaffe, barely a handful remain. However the authors have interviewed no less than eighteen survivors and it is their memories and anecdotes that make this book unique.

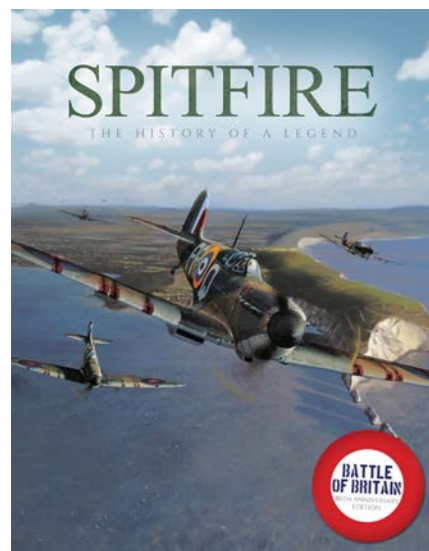
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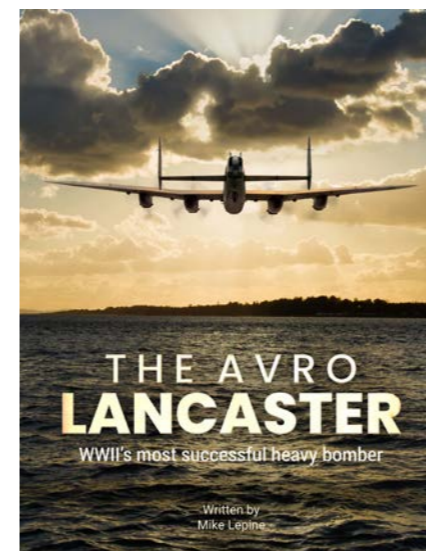
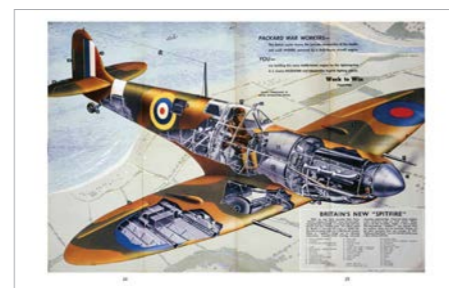
The Supermarine Spitfire was developed by R.J. Mitchell and his team for just one reason – to intercept and shoot down enemy bombers from British skies. Lauded by the Chairman of Vickers as 'a real killer fighter', the Spitfire was so advanced that it proved a huge challenge to the British aviation industry. The project ran so late that it only began to arrive in significant numbers even as the Battle of Britain was beginning.

It was during the Battle of Britain in 1940 that the Spitfire became an enduring legend and a symbol of the British fighting spirit, partnering with the Hawker Hurricane to defeat the might of Hitler's Luftwaffe and prevent invasion. From 1942-3 onwards, it would range and fight around the world, from Malta and North Africa to Soviet Russia and Burma, often taking on new roles like ground attack and bomber escort, for which it had never been designed.

The Spitfire is the most famous plane of World War Two. Its groundbreaking design and superior specifications gave the British a decisive advantage fighting the Luftwaffe in the Battle of Britain.

2020 marked the 80th Anniversary of the Battle of Britain, fought between July and October 1940.

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The Avro Lancaster

Written by Mike Lepine

This legendary bomber first saw action in 1942. Powered by 4 Merlin engines, it could deliver a huge payload and was the only aircraft to carry the Tallboy and Grand Slam earthquake bombs as well as the Upkeep 'bouncing' bomb on Operation Chastise - the famous Dam Busters raid.

At the height of production, over 1.1 million men and women were employed making 'Lancs'; more service personnel were involved flying and maintaining them than any other British aircraft.

Mainly operational as a Night Bomber over Nazi Germany, the Lancasters were supremely adaptable and were used on anti-submarine patrols, photo-reconnaissance missions, as aerial refuelling tankers and post-war, transatlantic passenger airliners.

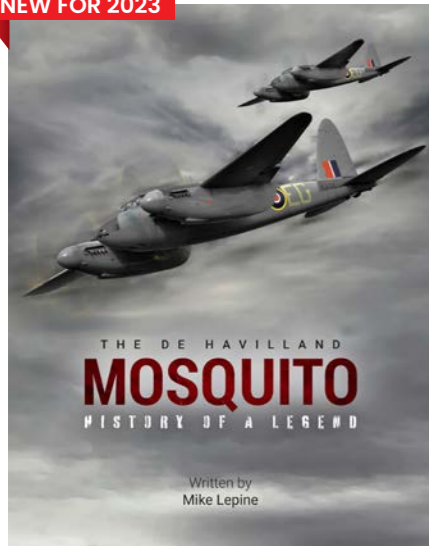
2022 marks the 80th Anniversary of the first Lancaster in service with RAF Bomber Command in 1942.

The Lancaster is the most famous plane of WWII. Its groundbreaking design and staying power on missions gave the British a superior advantage during the bombing campaigns in the later years of WWII.

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NEW FOR 2023



The De Havilland Mosquito: History of a Legend

Written by Mike Lepine

'Mosquito History of a Legend' is a fascinating telling of the development of the de Havilland DH.98 Mosquito, a British twinengined, light bomber introduced during WWII. This lavishly illustrated book is the ultimate guide to the development of the aeroplane and the many variants of the Mosquito and the various missions it flew during WWII.

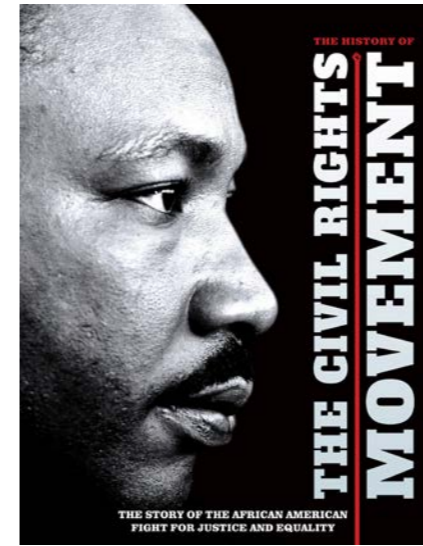
The Mosquito was often flown in special raids, such as Operation Jericho (an attack on Amiens Prison in early 1944), and precision attacks against military intelligence, security, and facilities such as Gestapo headquarters. On 30 January 1943, the 10th anniversary of Hitler being made chancellor and the Nazis gaining power, a morning Mosquito attack knocked out the main Berlin broadcasting station while Hermann Göring was speaking, taking his speech off the air.

The Mosquito is one of the most famous planes of WWII and its groundbreaking design and speed and superior specifications gave the British a decisive advantage fighting the Luftwaffe during WWII.

The Mosquito light bomber was used for D day on 6th June 1944 and throughout the build up and the Battle for Normandy.



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The History of the Civil Rights Movement

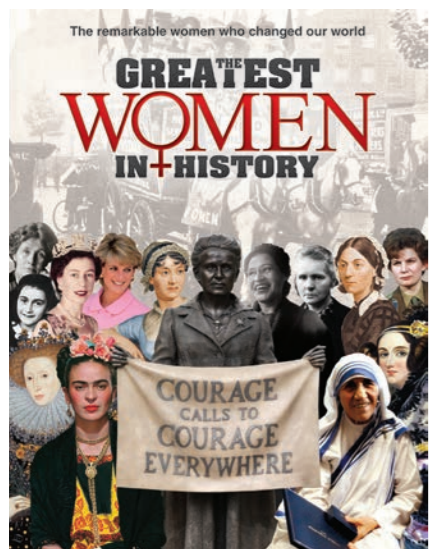
In 1964 The Civil Rights Act was signed into law in the USA and this book takes you on a fascinating journey through the defining moments of America's Civil Rights Movement during the 1950s and 1960s. You'll find everything from Rosa Parks and the Montgomery Bus Boycott to Martin Luther King's legendary 'I Have a Dream' speech and the March on Washington.

Filled with fascinating features, emotive stories and iconic imagery, the book explores the origins of the African American fight for freedom and equality, its achievements in the face of intense opposition, the movement's iconic leaders and their roles, and how it inspired the new wave of protest and activism currently sweeping the United States.

The largest civil rights protests for a generation are taking place in many cities across the USA and protests are taking place throughout the world inspired by this movement.

The public interest in the civil rights movement has never been higher and civil rights and equality have gone to the top of every news agenda worldwide.

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The Greatest Women in History

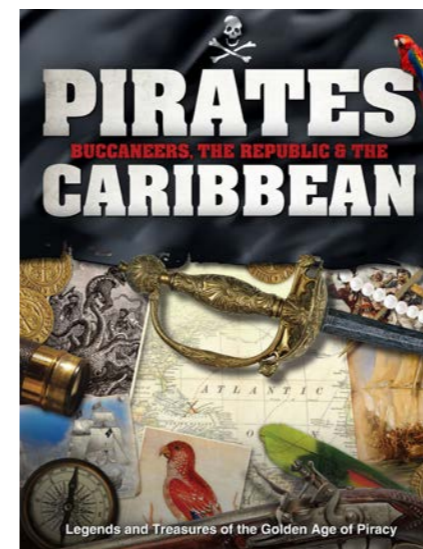
Science, engineering, activism, poetry, politics and physics. Women of all ages, and from all over the world, have excelled in these fields – and so many more – despite the barriers they've had to overcome.

The Greatest Women in History is a celebration of just some of the inspirational women who put their mark on the world we live in, and reveals the stories, accomplishments and adventures of many brilliant women from throughout history. Get to know the political trailblazers who achieved greatness through underground resistance or sheer determination. Understand the amount of talent and hard work it takes to excel in mathematics and the sciences. Meet the women who exploded into the world of art and redefined it, and discover the stories of the queens who defied expectations and ushered in golden ages.

This book is highly relevant today as society re-examines the treatment of women in society in every country.

The women featured in this book are regularly included in the 100 most influential women in history.

RRP **£18.99**
 ISBN: 978-1-912918-73-7
 Spring 2019
 210 x 270 mm
 Hardback Book
 156 pages
 Text: 15,000 words
 200+ illustrations



Pirates, Buccaneers, the Republic & the Caribbean

In the 17th and 18th centuries, sailing from Europe or Africa to the Americas, or trading from India to Central America, was a risky undertaking. Ferocious storms and diseases weren't the only threats; ruthless pirates lurked on the horizon, craving wealth and reputation.

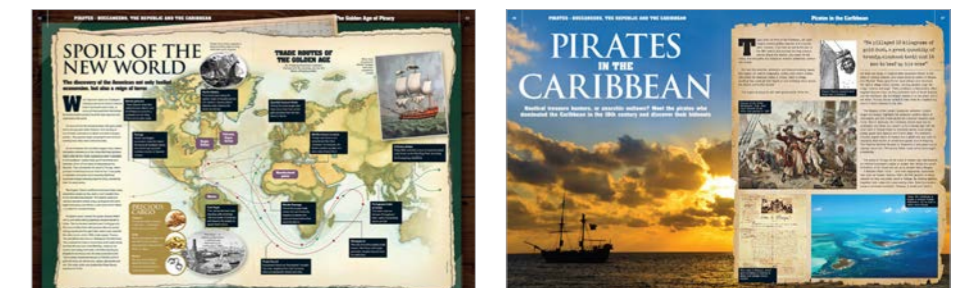
In Pirates, Buccaneers The Republic & The Caribbean, we cover everything you need to know about the legendary Golden Age of Piracy. Uncover the true stories of the bloodthirsty buccaneers who made their fortune plundering the high seas, from Captain Kidd and Edward 'Blackbeard' Teach to female pirates Anne Bonny and Mary Read. Find out what life was really like aboard a pirate ship, from the roles of the crew to divvying out the spoils. Packed with incredible illustrations and insights into the period, this is the perfect guide for anyone who wants to learn about this famed golden age of history.

Pirates are some of the most fascinating and well-loved figures in our history.

People young and old have an enduring fascination for pirates and the stories that they have grown up with.

Pirates of the Caribbean is one of the highest grossing Hollywood movie franchises. Each film has grossed over \$650m at the worldwide box office

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Queen Elizabeth II: A Glorious 70 Years

Written by Alison James

RRP **£21.00** Hardback Book
 ISBN: 978-1-912918-87-4 144 pages
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A celebration of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in this definitive illustrated story of her public and private life, spanning the 20th and 21st centuries.

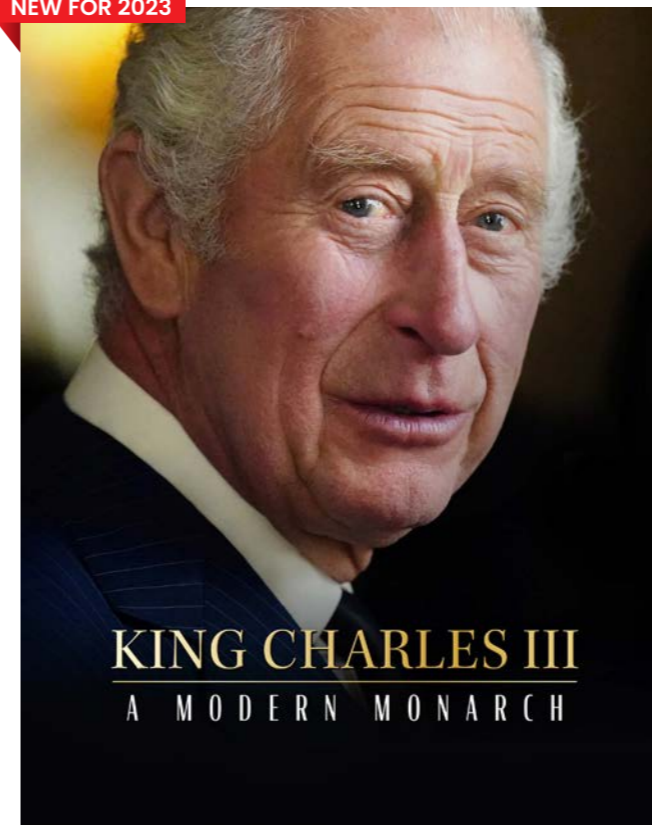
Featuring the incredible tradition, history, glamour, and culture of Her Majesty, this book also follows the international tours, state functions, royal weddings, and jubilees, and showcases the glorious royal photography of some of the most well known royal photographers and archives.



In 2022, Her Majesty The Queen became the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee, seventy years of service, having acceded to the throne on 6th February 1952 when Her Majesty was 25 years old.

Platinum Jubilee celebrations were held throughout the United Kingdom, the Commonwealth and around the world as communities came together to celebrate the Queen's historic reign.

NEW FOR 2023



King Charles III a Modern Monarch

Written by Alison James

RRP **£21.99** Hardback Book
 ISBN: 978-1-915343-24-6 144 pages
 2023 Text: 30,000 words
 210 x 270 mm 100 colour and mono photographs

Charles III acceded to the throne on 8 September 2022 upon the death of his mother, Elizabeth II.

A boy born to be king, he had to wait 73 years to fulfil his destiny – the longest wait by an heir apparent in British history. 'King Charles III' looks back at his life thus far – how his childhood shaped him into the man and monarch he is today, his eventful private life, family heartache, his passions and achievements – and projects forward to predict the kind of sovereign he's likely to be.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

Alison James is a History Graduate and Showbiz Journalist who writes about royals and celebrities for the Daily Mail, the Daily Express and Yours magazine in the UK.



On the 6th May 2023 there will be Coronation celebrations throughout the United Kingdom, the Commonwealth and around the world as communities come together to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III.

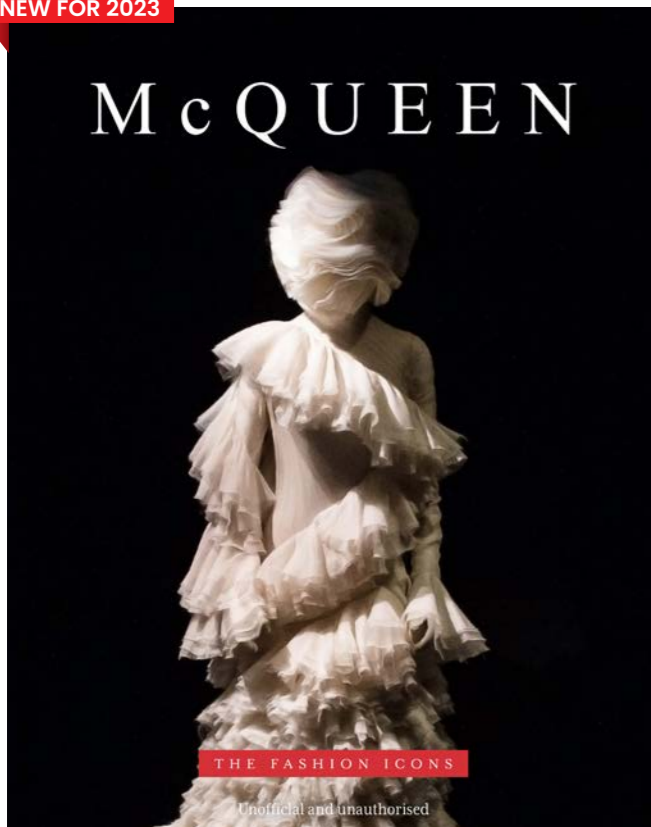
The Coronation Ceremony will take place at Westminster Abbey, London, and will be conducted by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The Ceremony will see His Majesty King Charles III crowned alongside The Queen Consort.

The Coronation will reflect the monarch's role today and look towards the future, while being rooted in longstanding traditions and pageantry.



NEW FOR 2023



The Fashion Icons: McQueen

Written by Michael A. O'Neill

RRP **£21.99** Hardback Book
 ISBN: 978-1-915343-32-1 144 pages
 October 2023 Text: 30,000 words
 210 x 270 mm 100 colour and mono photographs

The Fashion Icons McQueen is magnificently adorned with some of Lee Alexander McQueen's most riveting designs, and the narrative illuminates the personal and professional struggles of a man who dared to defy accepted norms in the cavernous halls of fashion and give the world a new sense of the grandeur of which human creativity is capable.

From conflicted gay teenager, aggressive and remote young man, through to his lonely suicide, the book charts Alexander McQueen's ascent to couturier par excellence, highlighting his spectacular shows and showing how his confrontational, streetwise manner was simply a shield that protected and masked a very shy, sensitive and insecure man who hailed from the wrong side of the high fashion tracks.

The Fashion Icons McQueen will imprint upon the reader never to be forgotten images of his explosive designs, illuminate his talent and delve into the mind of a man who was Britain's most unpredictable, tormented and spectacular fashion designer.

So what are you waiting for?

ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

Michael A. O'Neill is a writer and actor who trained at the Central School of Speech and Drama in London and appeared on the West End Stage and in a number of films. Michael has also written many best selling music books including biographies of Queen, and The Beatles.

Awarded British Fashion Designer of the Year 1996, 1997, 2001 & 2003. Awarded CBE.

Council of Fashion Designers of America – International Designer of the Year 2003.

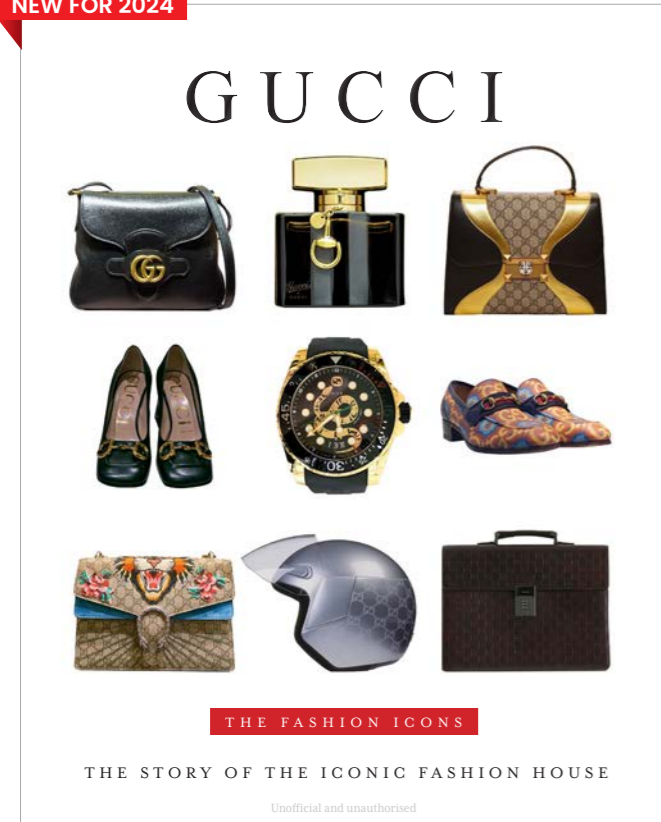
Chief Designer of Givenchy.

Creative Director of Gucci.

**Designed for David Bowie tours and Bjork and Bowie Albums.
 McQueen stores in London, Paris, Milan, New York & Las Vegas.**



NEW FOR 2024



The Fashion Icons: Gucci

Written by Alison James

RRP **£21.99** Hardback Book
 ISBN: 978-1-915343-47-5 144 pages
 March 2024 Text: 20,000 words
 210 x 270 mm 100 colour and mono photographs

Founded in Florence, Italy, as a luggage brand and equestrian outfitter in 1921, Gucci has evolved into one of the world's most celebrated fashion houses – synonymous with classic design, elegance, luxury and quality. Casa de Gucci – beloved by the great, the good and the uber glamorous – boasts an instantly recognisable signature style all of its own.

This book, beautifully illustrated with images of some of the world's iconic fashion items, charts the story of Gucci's origins. How the brand overcame family in-fighting, scandal and even murder to become the influential, innovative haute-couture power house it is today.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

Alison James is a History Graduate and Showbiz Journalist who writes about royals and celebrities for the Daily Mail, the Daily Express and Yours magazine in the UK and has also written best selling biographies of Iron Maiden and other major rock bands.

Ridley Scott made a major Hollywood film in 2019 starring Lady Gaga which elevated Gucci the brand around the globe.

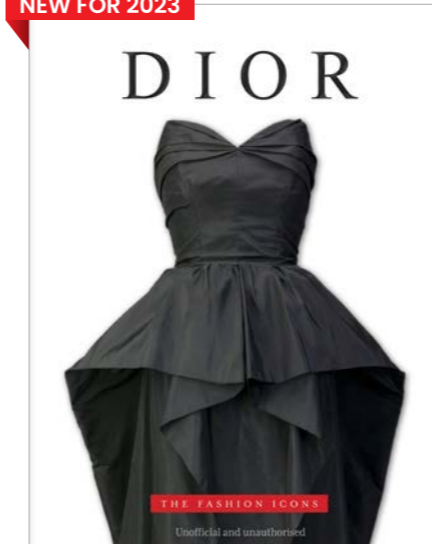
Gucci is synonymous with luxury fashion and is one of the most iconic fashion brands.

The Gucci loafers and Gucci handbag are iconic fashion accessories which are known the world over.

Some of the world most well know designers have worked with Gucci including Tom Ford.



NEW FOR 2023



The Fashion Icons: Dior

Written by Michael A. O'Neill

Christian Dior was a French fashion designer who founded the iconic fashion house Dior in 1946. He was known for his elegant, feminine designs, and his use of luxurious fabrics and intricate details.

This beautifully illustrated book for every lover of fashion includes never to be forgotten images of Christian Dior's designs, and illuminates the talent of the man who was France's most unpredictable and spectacular fashion designer.

Dior is one of the best known fashion brands and is worn by celebrities around the globe.

Dior brand ambassadors include Rihanna, Johnny Depp and Kylian Mpabbe.

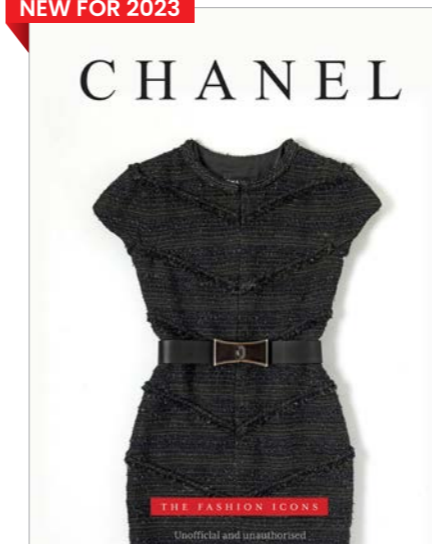
The Miss Dior dress is an iconic fashion item still seen today.

The Diorama dress is a dramatic evening gown featured a fitted bodice with a high, structured collar and a full, sweeping skirt. It was often made in rich, jewel-toned fabrics like velvet and brocade, and it was a favourite of Hollywood actresses like Elizabeth Taylor and Marlene Dietrich and is still a coveted fashion item.



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 100 colour and mono photographs

NEW FOR 2023



The Fashion Icons: Chanel

Written by Michael A. O'Neill

The Fashion Icons Chanel book is the story of a young girl who transformed herself from an impoverished orphan to one of the wealthiest and most famous women in the world and the book features images and photographs of Chanel's many iconic contributions to women's fashion such as Chanel No. 5 perfume, the little black dress, the Chanel tweed suit, the Chanel 2.55 bag and the Chanel sling back shoes.

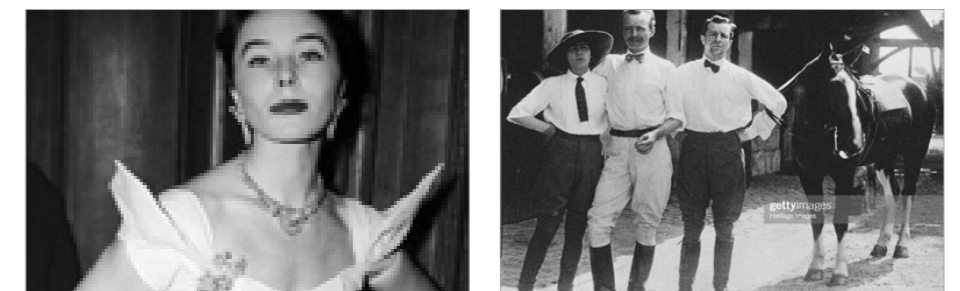
Couturière to stars of the Hollywood silver screen, politics and French and British high society, Marlene Dietrich, Marilyn Monroe, Jackie Kennedy, Jane Fonda and myriad others counted themselves amongst her customers. This is the story of her remarkable life and fashion illustrated with beautiful images.

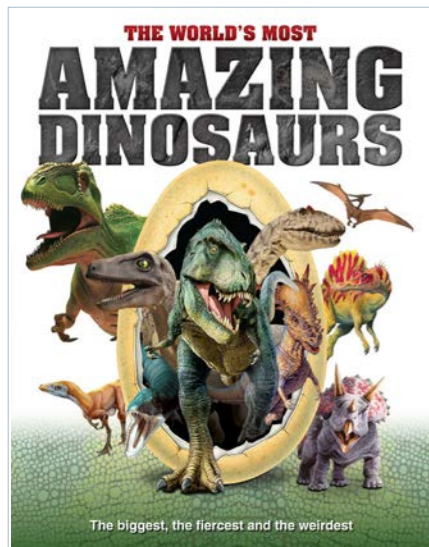
Chanel No 5 is one of the worlds best known and best selling perfums.

The Chanel handbag is an iconic design which has been sold since 1929 and is still recognized throughout the world.

The Chanel 'Little Black dress' is an iconic fashion item first designed in the 1920's and is still sold worldwide today.

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The Worlds Most Amazing Dinosaurs

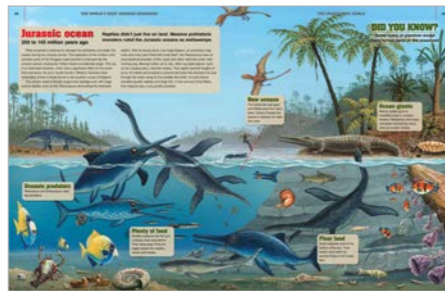
At first glance, dinosaurs seem like the product of a wild imagination – how could such weird and wonderful creatures ever have existed on our Earth?

Before the extinction event that changed their world forever, dinosaurs and their reptilian relatives of the sea and sky ruled the prehistoric world. From Allosaurus to Zuniceratops, travel back in time to the age of the dinosaurs with The Worlds Most Amazing Dinosaurs and discover these 'terrible lizards' for yourself. We've gathered together some of the most amazing creatures and got right under their skin so we can demonstrate to you how they worked. Did Velociraptors hunt in packs? Why did Herbivores grow so massive? Find out how the dinosaurs survived and thrived, about the mass extinction event that ended it all, and what these ancient creatures left behind for us to find.

Dinosaur books and films are consistently popular worldwide.

The latest film in the Jurassic World franchise, released in 2022, has grossed \$1 billion worldwide so far.

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 140 pages
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 200+ illustrations



Discovering Dinosaurs

Written by Dan Peel

Journey back to the age of dinosaurs and uncover the secrets of some of the prehistoric world's most remarkable beasts. From the Tyrannosaurus Rex and Diplodocus to the Triceratops and Stegosaurus, get up close and discover how these fascinating creatures lived, hunted, evolved, and ultimately died out.

In Discovering Dinosaurs we've gathered together some of the most fascinating articles from our team of experts at Live Science to bring you everything you need to know about these incredible creatures that roamed the earth millions of years ago. Why did Stegosaurus travel in herds? Could the dinosaurs have survived the asteroid that wiped them out?

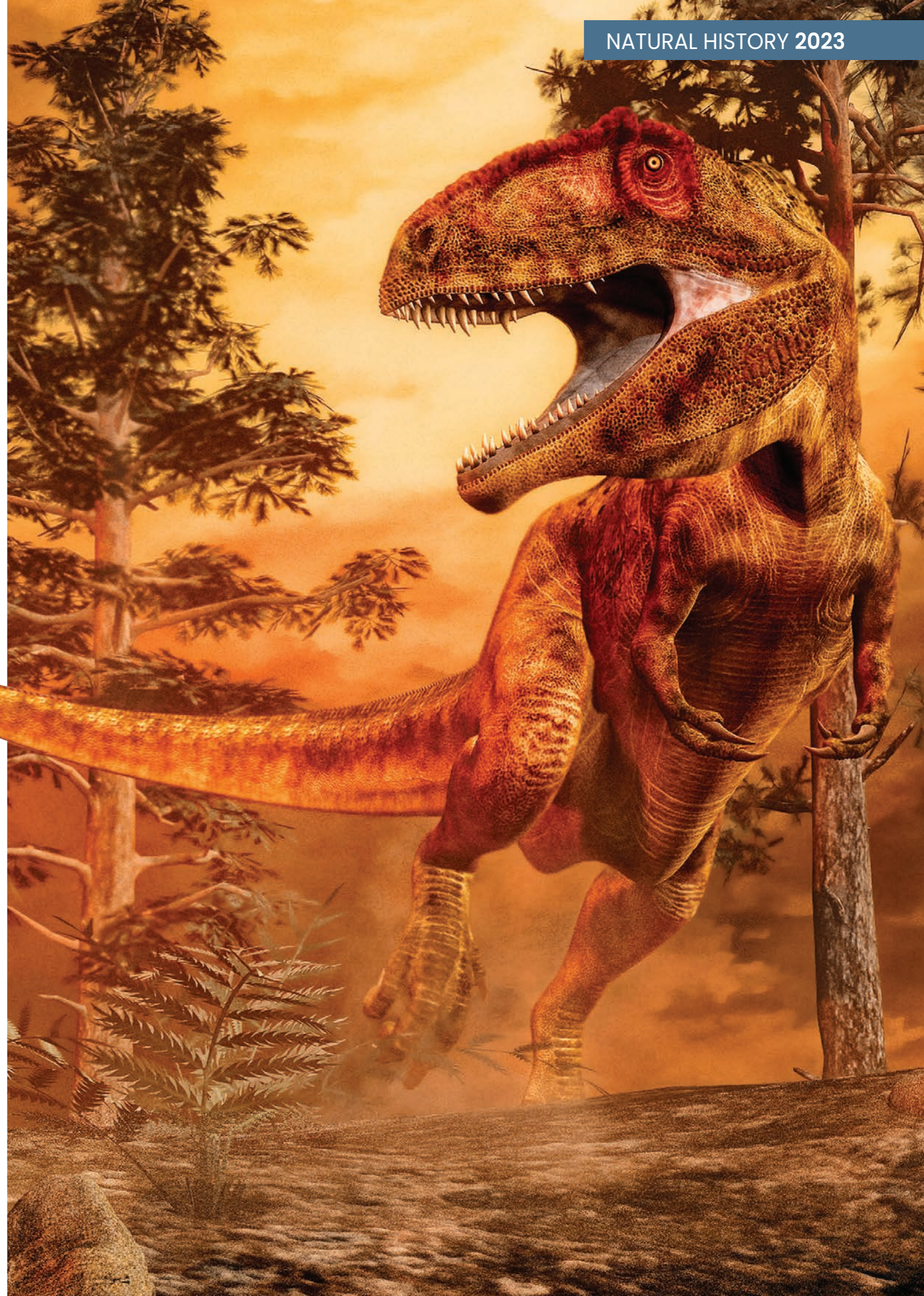
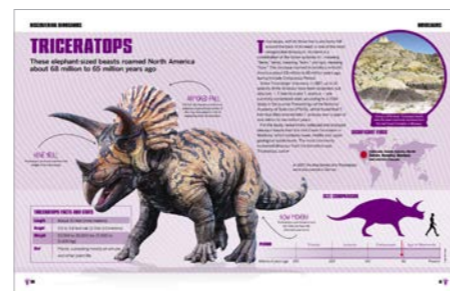
Turn the pages to find these answers and many more.

Dinosaur books and films are consistently popular worldwide.

There is an enduring fascination with dinosaurs with children and adults.

The dinosaur exhibition at the Natural History Museum in London with the first T Rex skeleton ever discovered, is one of the most important popular attractions in the world, and attracts millions of visitors each year.

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The Big Book of the Ocean

Covering around 70 per cent of our planet's surface and home to more than 200,000 known species, the world's oceans are vital to life on Earth. However, despite producing around half the world's oxygen and helping to regulate our climate and weather patterns, human behaviour has put our incredible oceans and the amazing animals within them at risk.

In The Big Book of the Ocean, we go beneath the surface to explore the fascinating secrets of the sea and take an in-depth look at some of the planet's magnificent marine creatures, from killer whales and sea turtles to seahorses and starfish. We also explore what we can do to help protect these vital environments and discover ten of the most endangered ocean species.

The climate and the planet's sustainability is one of the hottest topics in the world, and oceans are key to this.

Climate change is one of the major topics worldwide currently and the warming oceans are featured in the news every day.

Young people are seeking more knowledge about the ocean.

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 128 pages
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 150 colour and mono photographs



Journey to the Moon

Over 50 years ago, in July 1969, the human race's fascination with the Earth's moon went into overdrive when Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins landed on the surface.

To celebrate, we take an in-depth look at the Apollo program and how it landed man on the Moon, as well as all the fascinating facts about the celestial body itself.

Find out everything you ever wanted to know about the Moon. How was it formed? What's on the far side? Who owns it? And for those wanting to get up close and personal, you can use our handy tour of its craters and seas, before learning how to take your own photographs and analemmas.

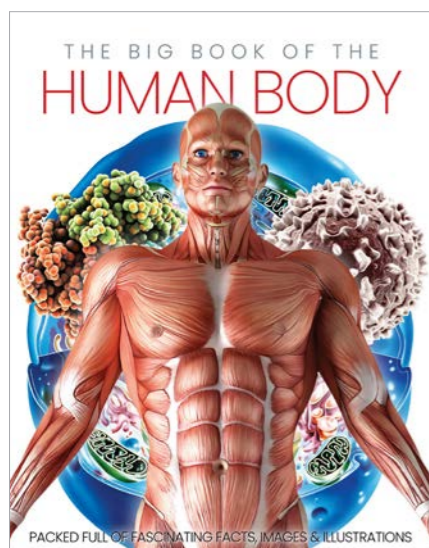
July 2019 marked the 50th anniversary of the first man on the Moon.

A brilliant collection of photographs, infographics and illustrations.

Every secret explored and explained.

Amazing infographics of the Apollo 11 flight and the timeline.

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 200+ illustrations



The Big Book of the Human Body

The human body is truly an amazing thing. Capable of awe-inspiring feats of speed and agility, while being mind-blowing in complexity, our bodies are unmatched by any other species on Earth. In The Big Book of the Human Body, we explore our amazing anatomy in fine detail before delving into the intricacies of the complex processes, functions and systems that keep us going. For instance, did you know you really have 16 senses?

We also explain the weirdest and most wonderful bodily phenomena, from blushing to hiccuping, cramps to jaundice. We will tour the human body from skull to metatarsal, using anatomical illustrations, amazing photography and authoritative explanations to teach you more. This book will help you understand the wonder that is the human body and in no time you will begin to see yourself in a whole new light!

The mindfulness movement has created a huge amount of current interest in the human body.

This book explores all aspects of the body, including how to improve sleep.

Features leading authorities on the science behind the workings of the human body.

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Craft Beer: The 365 Best Beers

Over the past decade, beer has changed. Gone are the days when craft beer was a fad, a niche activity enjoyed by the few and comparatively inaccessible for many who sought it out. Nowadays, craft beer is a truly global phenomenon that can be experienced almost anywhere in the world, from the United States to New Zealand and almost anywhere in between.

You'll find a collection of beers that we've arrogantly called 'the best beers in the world', and all of them are stunners. 'Best' is completely subjective of course, and you'll have to try them for yourself to see if you agree. Some you will be able to pick up right on your doorstep, and others may take considerable effort to find, if you ever hope to try them. Regardless, we hope this collection sends you on an exciting journey to the heart of our favourite fermented beverage.

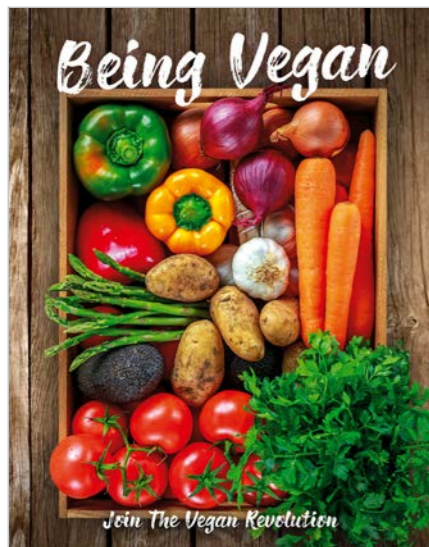
Craft Beer has never been more popular throughout the world.

Planet sustainability and health concerns are driving the craft beer boom as consumers care about where their beer comes from and the processes by which the beer is made.

Millennials have been one of the main drivers of the craft beer boom.

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Being Vegan

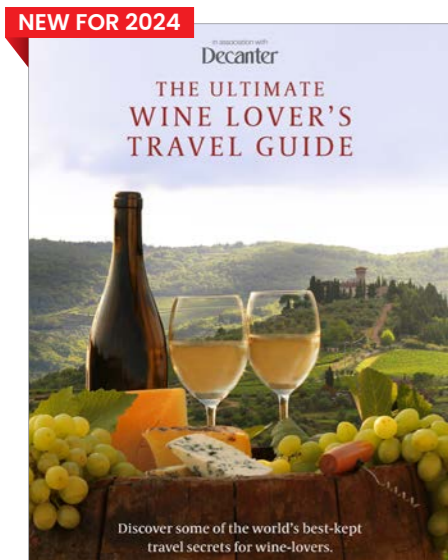
There are many reasons why people decide to go vegan. We typically associate this lifestyle with the issue of animal welfare, or the pursuit of a healthier diet. More recently, however, veganism has gained huge popularity among those with environmental concerns, too.

Changing our diets is one of the most significant things that we as individuals can do to reduce our impact on the planet. With more and more people choosing to go vegan, it's never been easier to make the change to ethical and plant-based living.

Being Vegan is the ultimate guide, whether you are a newbie or a veteran vegan, or perhaps a curious flexitarian. This special edition is packed with over 30 delicious recipes, including a show-stopping dinner party menu sure to impress even the most staunch non-vegans. You'll also find a selection of useful features that cover health, fashion, lifestyle, sustainability and more.

The number of vegans around the world is growing rapidly, and veganism is going mainstream according to leading trend forecasters.

Health, climate and animal welfare are driving huge numbers of people to go vegan and alter their diets toward plant-based foods.



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The Ultimate Wine Lover's Travel Guide

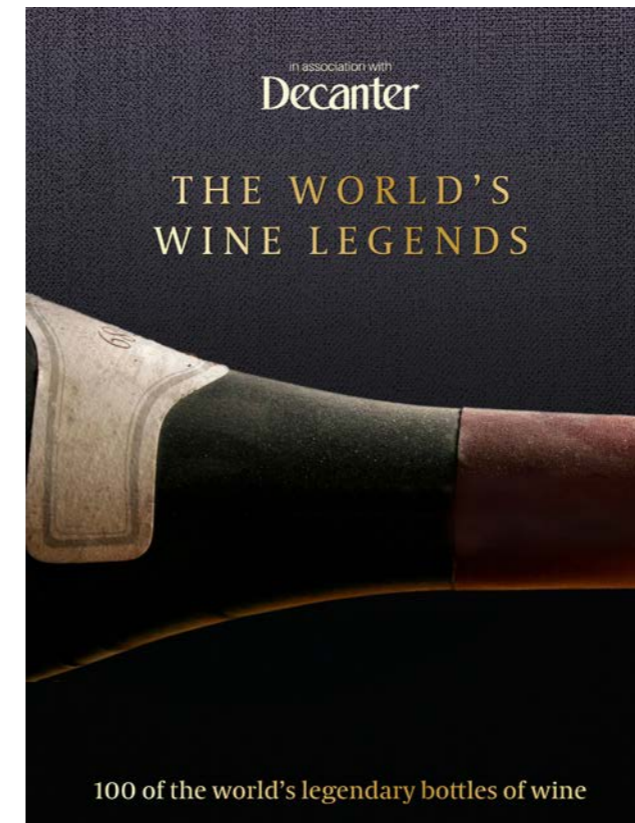
From the sunny vineyards of Napa Valley to the temperate estates of England's south coast, discover some of the world's best-kept travel secrets for wine-lovers.

Take a tour of France's most prestigious wine-producing chateaux and find out how this thriving wine region has become a mecca for connoisseurs. Discover the hidden gems of the New World, from South America's rich reds to New Zealand's blancs. Travel through Europe and America as you tour the globe in search of great wine, we'll share with you our choice of all the best wineries and experiences and an address book to make your trips truly spectacular.

The book includes: Bordeaux, the Rhone Valley, Piedmont, Franciacorta, Rioja, The Douro Valley, Naoussa, Georgia, Margaret River, Clare Valley, Christchurch, Cordoba, Montevideo & Canelonos, Mendocino, Alsace, the Rhine Valley, Alto Adige, Walla Walla Valley, Napa and Sonoma, Prince Edward County, Reims, Cape/South Africa, Long Island and more.

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Decanter: The World's Wine Legends

Written by Stephen Brooke | Foreword by Amy Wislocki

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For nearly 10 years, the most popular page in the world's most-read wine magazine was the feature World Wine Legends.

Put together by Decanter senior staffers Stephen Brook and Amy Wislocki, this labour of love showed the readers the wines and the vintage that would become the most sort after bottles of wine in the world.

From the 1959 Lafite-Rothschild to the 2001 Ornellaia and everything in between, with full descriptions of the vintage, the wine maker, the wine making process and tasting notes.

For the first time, these pages have been brought together in this beautiful book that will have every wine fan salivating and dreaming.



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