

## Novak Djokovic: A Biography Of The Serbian Superstar

Tennis has never been played better than it is today. To watch Rafael Nadal spin a forehand at 4000 rpm, Maria Sharapova arabesque out of a serve, Serena Williams utterly destroy a short ball, or Roger Federer touch a volley into an impossibly angled winner is to watch not only the best players with the best coaching hitting with the best racquets, it is to watch the culmination of an entire history. *Love Game* is different from most tennis books—it isn't a ghostwritten biography, and it won't teach you how to slice your serve. It's a book about tennis's grand culture, one that unveils the sport's long history as it lives and breathes (or grunts) in the modern game. No one is better equipped to tell this story than novelist and historian Elizabeth Wilson. With a penchant for tennis's inherent drama, she finds its core: a psychological face off between flamboyant personalities navigating the ebbs and flows of fortune in the confines of a 78 x 36-foot box—whether of clay, grass, or DecoTurf. Walking the finely kempt lawns of Victorian England, she shows how tennis's early role as a social pastime that included both men and women—and thus, lots of sexual tension—set it apart from most other sports and their dominant masculine appeal. Even today, when power and endurance are more important than ever, tennis still demands that the body behave gracefully and with finesse. In this way, Wilson shows, tennis has retained the vibrant spectacle of human drama and beauty that have always made it special, not just to sports fans but to popular culture. Telling the stories of all the greats, from the Renshaw brothers to Novak Djokovic, and of all the advances, from wooden racquets to network television schedules, Wilson offers a tennis book like no other, keeping the court square in our sights as history is illuminated around it.

NEW YORK TIMES BEST SELLER — An inspiring and intimate self-portrait of the champion of equality that encompasses her brilliant tennis career, unwavering activism, and an ongoing commitment

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to fairness and social justice. "A story about the personal strength, immense growth, and undeniable greatness of one woman who fearlessly stood up to a culture trying to break her down." Serena Williams In this spirited account, Billie Jean King details her life's journey to find her true self. She recounts her groundbreaking tennis career—six years as the top-ranked woman in the world, twenty Wimbledon championships, thirty-nine grand-slam titles, and her watershed defeat of Bobby Riggs in the famous "Battle of the Sexes." She poignantly recalls the cultural backdrop of those years and the profound impact on her worldview from the women's movement, the assassinations and anti-war protests of the 1960s, the civil rights movement, and, eventually, the LGBTQ+ rights movement. She describes the myriad challenges she's hurdled—entrenched sexism, an eating disorder, near financial peril after being outed—on her path to publicly and unequivocally acknowledging her sexual identity at the age of fifty-one. She talks about how her life today remains one of indefatigable service. She offers insights and advice on leadership, business, activism, sports, politics, marriage equality, parenting, sexuality, and love. And she shows how living honestly and openly has had a transformative effect on her relationships and happiness. Hers is the story of a pathbreaking feminist, a world-class athlete, and an indomitable spirit whose impact has transcended even her spectacular achievements in sports.

Novak Djokovic is not just one of the world's great tennis players - he is the defacto ambassador for his homeland, Serbia. Not an easy job, given the lingering resonance in the world's news bulletins of Serbia's role in the 1990s Yugoslav wars. To this day, the words 'Serbia' and 'atrocities' are linked in the minds of many. In this study of both Djokovic and Serbia, Chris Bowers paints two powerful portraits. He traces the story of the boy from modest surroundings, telling of how he met the woman who not only taught him tennis but how to deal with life as a high-profile icon, charts his battle with illness and his relationship with a volatile father, and how his on-court deeds have made his country proud. But he also

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tells the story of Serbia, pulling no punches about its role in the 1990s wars but offering a sensitive interpretation of the hopes and aspirations of a people with a troubled past. Bowers, biographer of Swiss tennis star Roger Federer and the British deputy-prime-minister Nick Clegg, weaves together these sporting and geo-political strands to present a sensitive portrait of a man and his people, and how determination married to sensitivity can create a sporting statesman.

Novak Djokovic is one of the greatest tennis players of all time. Most fans are aware of his amazing accomplishments on the court, but very few are aware of his incredible upbringing and rise to fame. In order to truly understand Novak Djokovic, you must first understand where he came from. "Novak Djokovic: An Unauthorized Biography" explores Djokovic's upbringing, his Junior Circuit career, and details his breakthrough into professional tennis, all the way through his consecutive losses to Rafael Nadal in Rome and Paris in 2012. Djokovic's exceptional talents have fans and critics alike wondering where his career will take him next. Inside, you will discover where it all started and learn why so many fans love Djokovic so much. From family to tennis to the future, all you need to know about Novak Djokovic is right here, right now, in the most up to date coverage of Novak Djokovic's life.

Serve to Win

Mental Warfare in Tennis--Lessons from a Master

The Lives and Careers of Two Tennis Legends

The True Story of Usain Bolt

The Inspirational Story of Tennis Superstar Rafael Nadal

A No-Fuss, Everyday Gluten-Free Cookbook from the May Family

Federer

**With candor, heart, and intelligence, Rafael Nadal takes**

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readers on his life's dramatic and triumphant journey, never losing sight along the way of the prize he values above all others: the unity and love of his family. In this memoir, written with award-winning journalist John Carlin, Nadal, one of the greatest players in the history of tennis, reveals the secrets of his game and shares the inspiring personal story behind his success. From the Mediterranean island of Mallorca, where he was coached by his uncle Toni from the age of four, to becoming the youngest professional tennis player ever to win all four Grand Slam titles, Nadal has managed the uncommon feat of being an acclaimed global celebrity while remaining an unfailingly gracious, relentlessly hardworking role model for people in all walks of life.--From publisher description.

A no-holds-barred, intimate memoir by John McEnroe—the bad boy of professional tennis. John McEnroe stunned the tennis elite when he came out of nowhere to make the Wimbledon semifinals at the age of eighteen—and just a few years later, he was ranked number one in the world. You Cannot Be

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Serious is McEnroe at his most personal, an intimate examination of Johnny Mac, the kid from Queens, and his "wild ride" through the world of professional tennis at a boom time when players were treated like rock stars. In this "bracing serve-and-volley autobiography" (The Boston Globe) he candidly explores the roots of his famous on-court explosions; his ambivalence toward the sport that made him famous; his adventures (and misadventures) on the road; his views of colleagues from Connors to Borg to Lendl; his opinions of contemporary tennis; his marriages to actress Tatum O'Neal and pop star Patty Smyth; and his roles as husband, father, senior tour player, and often-controversial commentator.

"For several years, tennis aficionados wondered whether they could really call Roger Federer the greatest ever tennis player. In 2009, Federer ended that debate by completing his collection of career Grand Slams and overtaking Pete Sampras' all-time record of 14 major titles. With his olympic gold medal from 2008, Federer is now recognised as

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the greatest tennis player and has achieved legendary status in the wider sporting world. This authoritative and affectionate biography traces the rise of Federer, from his first tentative strokes with a tennis racket to how he dealt with being sent away to a training academy where he struggled to communicate in a French-speaking part of Switzerland; and how he handled the sudden death of his first real coach and mentor. It looks at his development as a sportsman and how he has matured into a family man with his marriage to Mirka Vavrinec and the birth of their twin girls. It also examines how Roger bounced back from arguably one of the most challenging periods of his career as, following a serious illness and a dip in form, his run of successive Wimbledon championship wins was ended and he was toppled from the number one spot by his long-time rival Rafael Nadal. In characteristic style, Federer silenced his critics by winning the French Open title for the first time, reclaiming his Wimbledon crown and ending 2009 at the number one position for the fifth time."--Publisher's description.

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The impeccably researched, deeply moving, never-before-told tale about a World War II incarceration camp in Wyoming and its extraordinary high school football team—for fans of *The Boys in the Boat* and *The Storm on Our Shores*. In the spring of 1942, the United States government forced 120,000 Japanese Americans from their homes in California, Oregon, Washington, and Arizona and sent them to incarceration camps across the West. Nearly 14,000 of them landed on the outskirts of Cody, Wyoming, at the base of Heart Mountain. Behind barbed wire fences, they faced racism, cruelty, and frozen winters. Trying to recreate comforts from home, many established Buddhist temples and sumo wrestling pits. Kabuki performances drew hundreds of spectators—yet there was little hope. That is, until the fall of 1943, when the camp's high school football team, the Eagles, started its first season and finished it undefeated, crushing the competition from nearby, predominantly white high schools. Amid all this excitement, American politics continued to disrupt their lives as the federal government drafted men

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from the camps for the front lines—including some of the Eagles. As the team's second season kicked off, the young men faced a choice to either join the Army or resist the draft. Teammates were divided, and some were jailed for their decisions. The Eagles of Heart Mountain honors the resilience of extraordinary heroes and the power of sports in a sweeping and inspirational portrait of one of the darkest moments in American history.

A Story of Obsession

A Real-World Guide to Living Bigger, Loving Deeper, and Leaving a Legacy

The Biography

Roger Federer

Novak Djokovic and the Rise of Serbia

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inspirational story of tennis superstar Rafael Nadal. If you're reading this then you must be a fan of Rafael, like so many others. As a fan, you must wonder how this man is so talented and want to know more about him. Rafael is considered to be one of the greatest tennis players ever and it's been an honor to be able to watch him compete throughout his career. This book will reveal to you much about Rafael's story and the many accomplishments throughout his career. Here Is A Preview Of What You'll Learn... Youth and Family Life Amateur Career Professional Career and Notable Moments Legacy, Charitable Acts and much more! If you want to learn more about Rafael Nadal, then this book is for you. It will reveal to you many things that you did not know about this incredible tennis star! About the Author: Inspirational Stories is a series aimed at highlighting the great athletes of our society. Our mission is to present the stories of athletes who are not only impactful in their sport, but also great people outside of it. The athletes we write about have gone above and beyond to become impactful in their community and great role models for the youth, all while showing excellence in their profession. We publish concise, easily consumable books that portray the turning points in the lives of these great athletes, while also giving the context in which they occurred. Our books are especially great for children who look up to sports figures. Hopefully these athletes can serve as a source of inspiration and their stories can provide life lessons that are practical for fans of any demographic.

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Pete Sampras is a central figure in the history of tennis, the dominant force in the game during the 1990's, and the greatest American male player of all time. Gradually, after a fairytale finish to his career when he won the 2002 U.S. Open, Sampras was somewhat forgotten by fans who were exhilarated by the exploits of Roger Federer, Rafael Nadal and Novak Djokovic. In this career biography of the redoubtable Sampras, Hall of Fame author and historian Steve Flink recaptures the magic of the man, recalling the supreme hold he had on his era, bringing this singularly gifted player vividly back to life. Flink portrays Sampras as a rare champion who was in many ways larger than the game he played.

**GENERAL COOKERY.** Say goodbye to boring GF meals. Enjoy hassle-free, everyday recipes. Make meals friends & family will also love. Be inspired by mouth-watering photos with every recipe. Joy, the author of bestselling "Nosh for Students", started writing this book for GF friends and people who had requested GF recipes. Interestingly, during the process of writing this book, Joy herself discovered she was intolerant to gluten. Join Joy on her journey into the world of gluten-free living.

The tennis classic from Olympic gold medalist and ESPN analyst Brad Gilbert, now featuring a new introduction with tips drawn from the strategies of Roger Federer, Novak Djokovic, Serena Williams, Andy Murray, and more, to help you outthink and outplay your toughest opponents A former Olympic medalist and now one of ESPN's most

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respected analysts, Brad Gilbert shares his timeless tricks and tips, including “some real gems” (Tennis magazine) to help both recreational and professional players improve their game. In the new introduction to this third edition, Gilbert uses his inside access to analyze current stars such as Serena Williams and Rafael Nadal, showing readers how to beat better players without playing better tennis. Written with clarity and wit, this classic combat manual for the tennis court has become the bible of tennis instruction books for countless players worldwide.

Rafael Nadal

The Fastest Man Alive

The Sporting Statesman

Open

The Long Run and Beautiful Game of Roger Federer

A History of Tennis, from Victorian Pastime to Global Phenomenon

A True Story of Football, Incarceration, and Resistance in World War II America

A biography of one of the greatest living tennis players, and his relationship with his homeland of Serbia Novak Djokovic is not just one of the world's great tennis players, he is the de facto ambassador for his homeland, Serbia. Not an easy job, given the lingering resonance of Serbia's role in the 1990s Yugoslav wars in the world's news bulletins. To this day, the words "Serbia" and

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If you have watched a Grand Slam tennis tournament in the past decade, you are probably aware that the game is dominated by just a few international powerhouses. At the conclusion of each tournament, it is likely that you will see Serena Williams atop the women's podium and a member of the Big Four—Roger Federer, Rafael Nadal, Novak Djokovic, and Andy Murray—hoisting

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the trophy for the men. And while there is not a lot of variety in the outcome of these matches, the game of tennis itself has changed drastically over the decades, as developments in technology and conditioning regimens, among other factors, have altered the style of play. Underpinning many of these developments is science, and this book explains the scientific wonders that take the ball from racket to racket and back again. Each chapter explores a different facet of the game—learning, technique, game analysis, the mental edge, physical development, nutrition for performance and recovery, staying healthy, and equipment—and is organized around a series of questions. How do we learn the ins and outs of hitting the ball in and not out? What are the main technological developments and software programs that can be used to assist in performance and notational analysis in tennis? What role does sports psychology play in developing a tennis player? What is the role of fluid replacement for the recreational, junior, and professional player? What rule changes have been made with respect to the racket, ball, and ball-court interaction to maintain the integrity of the game in the face of technological change? Each question is examined with the aid of explanatory diagrams and illustrations, and the book can be used to search for particular topics, or read straight through for a comprehensive overview of how player and equipment

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work together. Whether you prefer the grass courts of Wimbledon, the clay courts of the French Open, or the hard courts of the US and Australian Opens, Tennis Science is a must-have for anyone interested in the science behind a winning game.

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Novak Djokovic A Short Unauthorized Biography

Fantastic Federer

The School of Greatness

Pete Sampras: Greatness Revisited

The Greatest

Winning Ugly

*A skinny kid from the Jamaican parish of Trelawny, Usain Bolt's life changed in August 2008 when the Olympic men's 100-meter starter pistol was followed just 9.69 seconds later by his streak across the finish line and the first of his three gold medals was placed around his neck. In this illustrated celebration of his influences, background, and career trajectory, Bolt shares his story of growing up playing cricket and soccer, and discovering that he could run fast—very fast. He shares stories of his family, friends, and the laidback Jamaican culture, and reveals what makes him tick, where he gets his motivation, and where he takes his inspiration. He tells of the*

*dedication and sacrifices required to get to the top, and also discusses fast food, partying, music, fast cars, and that signature lightning bolt pose.*

*Learn about the inspirational story of Novak Djokovic In Novak Djokovic: A Biography of the Serbian Superstar you will learn about the life, professional career, and accomplishments of Novak Djokovic. There were two tennis superstars who ruled the sport--and this is the story of the player who pushed them aside to dominate tennis.*

*Novak Djokovic wasn't supposed to be a tennis player, but as a child he decided to pick up a racquet; and that eventually led him to being the player to end the era of Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal. His story is unlike other players', as he dodged air strikes in Serbia to practice, then headed to Germany to learn about the game, and progressed to being the highest money earner that tennis has ever seen. All his Grand Slam wins and all his great rivalries made him a player without equal. Few tennis players have grabbed the attention of tennis fans like Novak Djokovic has. His complete game has won him all four Grand Slam tournaments. He has set records and is among an elite group of all-time greats. But before he dethroned Roger Federer as tennis' best, he had a unique, and unlikely, journey from tennis courts on a mountain to Centre Court at Wimbledon. Here is a preview of this biography: Novak, Tennis and Serbia The German Tennis Academy 2005 Australian Open Qualifier First ATP Title Winning the 2008 Australian Open Chasing Federer Ranked Number 1 in 2011 Battling Federer, Murray and Nadal*

*Finally Gets the French Open Djokovic Versus Sampras, Laver, Federer and Other Greats Here is an excerpt from the book: As Novak's victories kept adding up, the media spotlight intensified on him, and reporters and fans often talked about how he bounced the ball a lot before he served. As many as fifteen or twenty times, the number of times he bounced the ball before serving irritated some players and fans. Mind games are a big part of sports, and if Novak was doing it to get an advantage, it probably worked more than once. People started counting the bounces, and Novak must have as well: "My record was in 2007 during the Davis Cup against Australia. I made the ball bounce thirty-eight or thirty-nine times (before serving)." It was a great year for Novak. He won \$12,595,903. He won 92% of his matches. He added ten more titles to his trophy case. Novak set impressive win streaks, including thirty-one wins in consecutive Masters matches and also a streak of forty-three tennis-match wins. He won a title at three Grand Slams and advanced to the semifinal in the other. He achieved the No. 1 ranking in the world. Novak had it all.*

*"First published in Great Britain in 2015 by Yellow Jersey Press"--Title page verso. This admired biography traces the rise of Roger Federer, from his first tentative strokes with a racket to legendary status, and perhaps even the title of greatest tennis player ever. It looks at his development as a sportsman and how he has matured into a family man after his marriage and the birth of twin girls, followed by twin boys in 2014. With*

*his remarkable return to top-level form after his grim 2013, culminating in his sealing Switzerland's Davis Cup triumph in November 2014, and his narrow loss to Novak Djokovic in the 2015 Men's Singles at Wimbledon, a fuller picture of the player's career can be painted. Far from being an endless recitation of tennis matches won and, sometimes, lost, however, the book also examines how Federer bounced back from arguably one of the most challenging periods of his career when he suffered a serious illness and a dip in form. In characteristic style, he silenced his critics by winning the French Open title for the first time, reclaiming his Wimbledon crown, winning Olympic gold, and in 2015 recording his 1,000th career win--a feat achieved by only two other players--as well as beating both Djokovic and Murray, the world Nos 1 and 2, to win the Cincinnati Masters for the seventh time. This masterly biography brings the player's story up to date, while also considering Federer the man and the player, as well as his place in tennis and sporting history.*

*Legendary Champions. Magical Moments.*

*Think Like a Monk*

*Seeing Serena*

*Love Game*

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*Book of Tennis*

**AN INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER! A major biography of the most iconic men's tennis player of the modern era. There have been other biographies of Roger Federer, but never one with this kind of access to the man himself, his support team, and the most prominent figures in the game, including such rivals as Rafael Nadal, Novak Djokovic, and Andy Roddick. In *The Master*, New York Times correspondent Christopher Clarey sits down with Federer and those closest to him to tell the story of the greatest player in men's tennis. Roger Federer has often made it look astonishingly easy through the decades: carving backhands, gliding to forehands, leaping for overheads and, in his most gravity-defying act, remaining high on a pedestal in a world of sports rightfully flooded with cynicism. But his path from temperamental, bleach-blond teenager with dubious style sense to one of the greatest, most self-possessed and elegant of competitors has been a long-running act of will, not destiny. He not only had a great gift. He had grit. Christopher Clarey, one of the top international sportswriters working today, has covered Federer since the beginning of his professional career. He was in Paris on the**

**Suzanne Lenglen Court for Federer's first Grand Slam match and has interviewed him exclusively more than any other journalist since his rise to prominence. Here, Clarey focuses on the pivotal people, places, and moments in Federer's long and rich career: reporting from South Africa, South America, the Middle East, four Grand Slam tournaments, and Federer's native Switzerland. It has been a journey like no other player's, rife with victories and a few crushing defeats, one that has redefined enduring excellence and made Federer a sentimental favorite worldwide. The Master tells the story of Federer's life and career on both an intimate and grand scale, in a way no one else could possibly do.**

**July 4th, 2011 was truly Independence Day for Serbian pro tennis player Novak Djokovic. The 24-year-old athlete was ranked No. 1 in the world for the first time in his career by the Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP). Regardless of what 2012 and seasons beyond hold for Djokovic, the victories and records he's logged at such an early age are poised to remain permanently etched in the annals of tennis history. "Novak Djokovic: A Perfect Season?" is a behind-the-scenes biography of the Serbian Sensation's rise to fame. In the book**

**you'll learn about Djokovic's origins, his life off the court, and the intense rivalries that have defined his career.**

**Novak Djokovic: A Short Unauthorized Biography is a short unauthorized biography produced from electronic resources researched that includes significant events and career milestones. Ideal for fans of Novak Djokovic and general readers looking for a quick insight about one of today's most intriguing celebrities. This must-read short unauthorized biography chronicles: Who is Novak Djokovic Things People Have Said about Novak Djokovic Novak Djokovic is Born Growing Up with Novak Djokovic Novak Djokovic Personal Relationships The Rise of Novak Djokovic Significant Career Milestones Novak Djokovic Friends and Foes Fun Facts About Novak Djokovic How The World Sees Novak Djokovic Novak Djokovic A Short Unauthorized Biography is one of the latest short unauthorized biographies from Fame Life Bios. Check it out now!**

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**premier legends, Novak Djokovic. Novak Djokovic has come a long way since reaching his first Grand Slam final in the 2007 US Open. There was little doubt that even in his defeat to fellow legend, Roger Federer, that Djokovic was going to be embarking on an illustrious tennis career. He has since validated this belief. At the age of twenty-nine, Novak Djokovic is a 12-time Grand Slam champion, and has held the top spot of the ATP Tour for more than 220 weeks. The most impressive part has been his absolute dominance in the last half decade of tennis, as he has won multiple Australian Opens, Wimbledons, and US Opens. In this unauthorized biography, we'll explore Djokovic's journey to becoming one of the greatest, and learn what it has taken him to reach where he is today. Here is a preview of what is inside this book: Early Life and Childhood Junior Years and Early Career Djokovic's First Major Title, The 2008 Australian Open Years of Dominance and Key Majors Most Notable Rivalries Djokovic's Personal Life Djokovic's Impact on Tennis and Beyond The Legacy of Novak Djokovic An excerpt from the book: He is combustible while competitive; temperamental, yet oh so talented. He is prickly, yes, but a definite prodigy. The owner of a swashbuckling style he has**

**ridden to success. He is controversial at times, sure, but a champion without a doubt. No one word is ever going to fully fit all of who Novak Djokovic is because the sum of all who he is transcends a mere one-word description. He is one of the greatest tennis players of his generation who has transcended into being one of the most impactful tennis players of any generation. He has willed himself from a talented yet scrawny Serbian teenager into a multiple-time Grand Slam winner who has the chance to do the unthinkable - surpass Roger Federer's record haul of Grand Slam titles, something once thought impossible for Federer himself to achieve. But how did he get here from there? How did the tennis player adored by many with chants of "No-le" arrive at the crossroads of greatness in a sport in which he has shared traits of both its heroes and villains? How has he come to thrive at a time where the division is enjoying some of its greatest depth of talent in its extensive history? Sacrifices were made by both him and his family. There were the perseverance and persistence to improve, first to simply be one of the "Big Four" who has defined the current state of men's tennis, and then to hold its throne. There was also an emotional maturing, one that has created a**

**grounding in both his professional and personal worlds which helped him reach the pinnacle of his sport as the number one ranked player in the world and stay among its elite for a prolonged period. Tags: novak djokovic, djokovic biography, andy murray, roger federer, rafael nadal, jelena djokovic, stan wawrinka, serena williams, wimbledon, australian open, tennis greats, tennis legends, tennis books, tennis biographies, pete sampras, john mcenroe**

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**Novak Djokovic: the Inspiring Story of One of Tennis' Greatest Legends**

Since 2004, two names have dominated men's tennis: Rafael Nadal and Roger Federer. Each player is legendary in his own right. The Spanish Nadal is the winner of sixteen Grand Slam titles, including five

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consecutive French Open singles titles from 2010-2014, and is the only player ever to win a Grand Slam for ten straight years. Federer, from Switzerland, has spent over three hundred weeks of his career ranked as the number-one player in the world and has won twenty Grand Slam titles and two Olympic medals. But neither player's career would have been nearly as successful without the decade-long rivalry that pushed them to rise to the peak of tennis excellence. Nadal and Federer have met thirty-eight times over the course of their careers, and have shared the distinction of being ranked the two best players in the world for an astounding six years in a row from 2005-2009. In *Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal*, international sports journalist Sebastian Fest uses information gleaned from his numerous interviews with both players over the last decade to narrate the rivalry, and its impact not only on the players, but on the sport itself. Documenting their respective wins and losses, hopes and disappointments, and relationships with their rivals, Fest formulates a unique biography of two of the greatest players of tennis. Skyhorse Publishing, as well as our Sports Publishing imprint, is proud to publish a broad range of books for readers interested in sports—books about baseball, pro football, college

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Of all of the many illustrious champions in tennis, there are few whose names are as synonymous with Wimbledon as Boris Becker, who, in 2015, celebrates the 30th anniversary of his remarkable entry into the sport's pantheon of greats. Boris's story is almost without parallel in tennis, from astonishing teenage talent, to champion, to a renowned television commentator, manager, and now as coach to one of the world's greatest contemporary players, Novak Djokovic. In this wonderful new book, Boris shares his unique story, tracing his career through the many changes in the sport but which has, at its heart, his

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loving relationship with Wimbledon, the place where it all began for him. He will talk frankly about his own career, how it transformed his life and those of so many others, reflecting on what it was like to play in the era of McEnroe, Connors, Lendl and Edberg - about the highs and lows of his life as played on the grand stage of Centre Court, amongst others; the changes that have transpired in fitness, the media, the partying, the equipment, the tactics, the personalities, the technology and the commerce.

Roger Federer is undoubtedly the brightest star in tennis. His astounding all-round ability has led to him being labelled as one of the most complete players the game has ever seen. This biography traces the rise of Federer, from his first tentative strokes with a tennis racket to how he handled the sudden death of his first real coach and mentor. René Stauffer has been closely covering Roger Federer's career for nearly 25 years. In this comprehensive biography, Stauffer talks at length to the man himself, his family, friends, coaches and rivals to paint an unrivalled picture of the greatest male tennis player of all time. From his early life in Basel, Switzerland, where he first picked up a tennis racquet, to the heights of his 20th Grand Slam victory and all

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points in between, Stauffer reveals the secrets to Federer's success, the hardships and doubts that he has faced and examines the legacy that Federer has created in the modern game.

Federer and Me

A Fan's Pilgrimage Across 7 Swiss Cantons in 10 Acts

Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal

Andy Murray Wimbledon Champion

Novak Djokovic - The Biography

An Autobiography

The Master

*A riveting, revealing portrait of tennis champion and global icon Serena Williams that combines biography, cultural criticism, and sports writing to offer “a deep, satisfying meditation” (The New York Times) on the most consequential athlete of her time. There has never been an athlete like Serena Williams. She has dominated women’s tennis for two decades, changed the way the game is played, and—by inspiring Naomi Osaka, Coco Gauff, and others—changed, too, the racial makeup of the pro game. But Williams’s influence has not been confined to the tennis court. As a powerful Black woman who struggled to achieve and sustain success, she has emerged as a cultural icon, figuring in conversations*

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*about body image, working mothers, and more. Seeing Serena chronicles Williams's return to tennis after giving birth to her daughter—from her controversial 2018 US Open final against Naomi Osaka through a 2020 season that unfolded against a backdrop of a pandemic and protests over the killing of Black men and women by the police. Gerald Marzorati, who writes about tennis for The New Yorker, travels to Wimbledon and to Compton, California, where Serena and her sister Venus learned to play. He talks with former women's tennis greats, sports and cultural commentators—and Serena herself. He observes Williams from courtside, on the red carpet, in fashion magazines, on social media. He sees her and writes about her prismatically—reflecting on her many, many facets. The result is an “enlightening...keen analysis” (The Washington Post) and energetic narrative that illuminates Serena's singular status as the greatest women's tennis player of all time and a Black woman with a global presence like no other. When a career-ending injury left elite athlete and professional football player Lewis Howes out of work and living on his sister's couch, he decided he needed to make a change for the better. He started by reaching out to people he admired, searching for mentors, and applying his past coaches' advice from sports to life off the field. Lewis did more than bounce back: He built a multimillion-dollar online business and is now a sought-after business coach, speaker, and podcast host. In*

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*the New York Times bestseller The School of Greatness, Howes shares the essential tips and habits he gathered in interviewing "the greats" on his wildly popular podcast of the same name. In discussion with people like Olympic gold medalist Shawn Johnson and Pencils of Promise CEO Adam Braun, Howes figured out that greatness is unearthed and cultivated from within. The masters of greatness are not successful because they got lucky or are innately more talented, but because they applied specific habits and tools to embrace and overcome adversity in their lives. A framework for personal development, The School of Greatness gives you the tools, knowledge, and actionable resources you need to reach your potential. Howes anchors each chapter with a specific lesson he culled from his greatness "professors" and his own experiences to teach you how to create a vision, develop hustle, and use dedication, mindfulness, joy, and love to reach goals. His lessons and practical exercises prove that anyone is capable of achieving success and that we can all strive for greatness in our everyday lives. For all fans of tennis, this lavish edition features all the highlights of the game as it developed from the early traditions of lawn tennis to the wildly popular spectator sport of today, including notorious matches; the advances in technology and physical standards for players; the politics of tennis as impacted by world events. With rare and unrivaled access, bestselling coauthor of Soccernomics and*

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*longtime Financial Times journalist Simon Kuper tells the story of how FC Barcelona became the most successful club in the world—and how that era is now ending FC Barcelona is not just the world’s highest grossing sports club, it is simply one of the most influential organizations on the planet. At last count, it had approximately 214 million social media followers, more than any other sports club except Real Madrid CF—and by one earlier measure, more than all thirty-two NFL teams combined. It has more in common with multinational megacompanies like Netflix or small nation-states than it does with most soccer teams. No wonder its motto is “More than a club.” But it was not always so. In the past three decades, Barcelona went from a regional team to a global powerhouse, becoming a model of sustained excellence and beautiful soccer, and a consistent winner of championships. Simon Kuper unravels exactly how this transformation took place, paying special attention to the club’s two biggest stars, Johan Cruyff and Lionel Messi, who is arguably the greatest soccer player of all time. Messi joined Barça at age thirteen and, more than anyone, has been the engine and standard-bearer of Barcelona’s glory. But his era is coming to an end—and with it, a once-in-a-lifetime golden run. This book charts Barça’s rise and fall. Like many world-beating organizations, FC Barcelona closely guards its secrets, granting few outsiders access to the Camp Nou, its legendary home stadium. But after*

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*decades of writing about the sport and the club, Kuper was given access to the inner sanctum and the people behind the scenes who strive daily to keep Barcelona at the top. Erudite, personal, and capturing all the latest upheavals, his portrait of this incredible institution goes beyond soccer to understand FC Barcelona as a unique social, cultural, and political phenomenon.*

*How Player and Racket Work Together*

*Boris Becker's Wimbledon*

*The Eagles of Heart Mountain*

*Novak Djokovic*

*All In*

*Footsteps of Federer*

*The International Tennis Federation*

**#1 NATIONAL BESTSELLER** *Far more than a superb memoir about the highest levels of professional tennis, Open is the engrossing story of a remarkable life. Andre Agassi had his life mapped out for him before he left the crib. Groomed to be a tennis champion by his moody and demanding father, by the age of twenty-two Agassi had won the first of his eight grand slams and achieved wealth, celebrity, and the game's highest honors. But as he reveals in this searching autobiography, off the court he was often unhappy and confused, unfulfilled by his great achievements in a sport he had come to resent. Agassi writes candidly*

***about his early success and his uncomfortable relationship with fame, his marriage to Brooke Shields, his growing interest in philanthropy, and—described in haunting, point-by-point detail—the highs and lows of his celebrated career. Jay Shetty, social media superstar and host of the #1 podcast On Purpose, distills the timeless wisdom he learned as a monk into practical steps anyone can take every day to live a less anxious, more meaningful life. When you think like a monk, you'll understand: -How to overcome negativity -How to stop overthinking -Why comparison kills love -How to use your fear -Why you can't find happiness by looking for it -How to learn from everyone you meet -Why you are not your thoughts -How to find your purpose -Why kindness is crucial to success -And much more... Shetty grew up in a family where you could become one of three things—a doctor, a lawyer, or a failure. His family was convinced he had chosen option three: instead of attending his college graduation ceremony, he headed to India to become a monk, to meditate every day for four to eight hours, and devote his life to helping others. After three years, one of his teachers told him that he would have more impact on the world if he left the monk's path to share his experience and wisdom with others. Heavily in debt, and with no recognizable skills on his résumé, he moved back home in north London with his parents. Shetty reconnected with old school friends—many working for some of the world's largest corporations—who were experiencing tremendous stress, pressure, and unhappiness, and they invited Shetty to coach them on well-being, purpose, and mindfulness. Since then, Shetty has become one of the world's most popular***

***influencers. In 2017, he was named in the Forbes magazine 30-under-30 for being a game-changer in the world of media. In 2018, he had the #1 video on Facebook with over 360 million views. His social media following totals over 38 million, he has produced over 400 viral videos which have amassed more than 8 billion views, and his podcast, On Purpose, is consistently ranked the world's #1 Health and Wellness podcast. In this inspiring, empowering book, Shetty draws on his time as a monk to show us how we can clear the roadblocks to our potential and power. Combining ancient wisdom and his own rich experiences in the ashram, Think Like a Monk reveals how to overcome negative thoughts and habits, and access the calm and purpose that lie within all of us. He transforms abstract lessons into advice and exercises we can all apply to reduce stress, improve relationships, and give the gifts we find in ourselves to the world. Shetty proves that everyone can—and should—think like a monk.***

***The most revealing and in-depth biography of Andy Murray yet published. When Roger Federer and Rafa Nadal both exited in the first few days of Wimbledon 2013, the level of expectation on Andy Murray to become the first British champion of the men's competition since 1936 rose to new heights. Two sets down in the quarter-final, he recovered to keep alive the hopes of a nation. Then, on a boiling hot Sunday afternoon, Murray faced up to the world's best player, Novak Djokovic, with the title almost within his grasp. After three hours of tension, drama and sheer brilliance, Murray was Wimbledon champion and 17.3 million viewers, glued to the action, celebrated with him after his straight-sets***

***victory. But how had the man from Dunblane, Scotland, a country once characterised as the worst tennis nation in the world, risen to the top? In this fascinating and revealing biography, Mark Hodgkinson, who first interviewed Murray when he was just 17, looks into the people who have influenced the Scot's career - his family, his coaches and his girlfriend among them - and assesses how he has won over a dubious and critical public. Murray's story is extraordinary, and this book gets to the heart of that remarkable drama.***

***Djokovic is one of the most dominant tennis players in the world. This biography tells the story of how he became one of the best and offers an inside look at his Serve to Win technique. Novak Djokovic is a Serbian professional tennis player who is currently ranked world No. 1 in men's singles tennis by the Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP). He has won 17 Grand Slam singles titles, the fourth most in history, and held the No. 1 spot in the ATP rankings for a total of 294 weeks, which is second only to Roger Federer. His serve-and-volley game and low center of gravity make him one of the best defenders on the tour. He is also known for his mental strength and often comes back from deficits to win matches. Djokovic has won numerous awards, including the Laureus World Sportsman of the Year, BBC Overseas Sports Personality of the Year, and ESPN's Best Male Tennis Player. In 2020, he was named one of Time magazine's 100 most influential people. Djokovic was born in Belgrade, Yugoslavia (now Serbia) in 1987. His parents are self-employed entrepreneurs and have a pizza restaurant chain. He began playing tennis at age four and was soon recognized as a prodigy.***

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***He turned professional in 2003 and won his first Grand Slam singles title at the 2010 Wimbledon Championships. Since then, he has been one of the most dominant players You can learn about Djokovic's childhood, his professional career, and what makes him one of the best tennis players in history. Plus, you'll get insights into his Serve to Win technique that will help you improve your own game. Purchase this book today!***

***The Full and Extraordinary Story***

***The Barcelona Complex***

***A Century of Contribution to Tennis***

***An Unauthorized Biography***

***The Sporting Statesman - Novak Djokovic and the Rise of Serbia***

***Novak Djokovic Bio: A Perfect Season?***

***Tennis Science***

Roger Federer could live anywhere in the world, but he always returns to the place he loves most: Switzerland. Dave Seminara is a mad traveler and tennis lifer who has written about Federer for The New York Times and other publications. A pair of autoimmune diseases and a knee surgery kept Dave from playing tennis for years, but as he inched toward recovery, he had a bright idea: why not start his tennis comeback on hallowed ground—courts that his hero Roger Federer graced in Switzerland.

Footsteps of Federer is a funny, novella-length account of Seminara's travels across seven Swiss cantons in search of insights into Federer's character, which is inextricably linked to his deep roots in, and love for, his country. Seminara timed his

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unique pilgrimage to the 2019 Swiss Indoors, where he had a chance to ask Roger a number of offbeat questions before and after Federer hoisted his record tenth title there. Seminara's Federer pilgrimage took him to Switzerland's most important abbey, where he prayed with Abbot Urban Federer; to the vineyard of Jakob Federer from Berneck, where the Federer clan originated from; to the stunning villa where Roger and Mirka were married; and to many of the neighborhoods and tennis clubs where Roger has lived and trained at over the years.

A user-friendly companion for the tennis fan, for players at any level and for the person working in tennis. It combines a guide through the history and current day international structure of tennis, along with a mine full of useful information and contacts.

All the passion, drama, and beauty of tennis is captured in this most up-to-date comprehensive history--from its early beginnings as a sport, the greatest matches ever played, to its global star players and personalities of present day. This volume is a must-read for tennis aficionados. Tennis, the much-loved sport, is a game for the ages dating back to sixteenth-century royal court matches played by King Henry VIII. History of Tennis captures the sport's long history, never short of theatrics, rivalries, power plays, political controversies, and inspiring personal stories. Beautiful historic and contemporary images of gripping matches like the unforgettable Bjorn Borg versus John McEnroe tiebreak match in 1980, to behind-the-scenes moments with tennis legends, and never-before-seen shots, grace each page accompanied by Richard Evans's intriguing stories and unique insight detailing the evolution of this majestic sport by decade. Starting as a European royal pastime and gaining popularity in

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**England and France, the sport made its way to America in the late 1870s as the new game of lawn tennis, creating along the centuries legendary tennis superstars such as Bill Tilden, Suzanne Lenglen and the Four Musketeers, Fred Perry, Billie Jean King, John McEnroe, and Steffi Graf. Now one of the most highly watched sports globally with top-billing icons like Novak Djokovic, Serena Williams, Rafael Nadal, and Naomi Osaka, there is no stopping the power of this allenthrralling game. This is a must-have volume for lifelong fans and those intrigued by the sporting theater and grand culture of tennis. A champion tennis player reveals his dietary secret to optimum fitness, providing weekly menus, mindful eating tips, and recipes to support a gluten-free lifestyle.**