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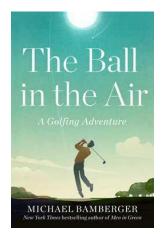
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Bamberger, Michael,

BALL IN THE AIR: A Golfing Adventure

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From Michael Bamberger, the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Men in Green* and celebrated contemporary golf writer, *The Ball in the Air* is a love letter to the amateur game, doing for golf what *Friday Night Lights* did for football. *Over Michael Bamberger's storied writing career, he has written five golf books and hundreds of Sports Illustrated* stories about professional golf and those who play it. That is, the .001 percent. Now "the poet laureate of golf" (*GOLF Magazine*) trains his eye on the rest of us. In Bamberger's most intimate book yet, he takes the lid off a game that is both quasi-religious *and* a nonstop party. In this freewheeling and timeless book, an age-old question is posed early and answered over its pages: Why does the game cast such a spell on us? The Ball in the Air is reported with deep curiosity and written with you-are-there intimacy. It captures golf as a way of life. You get to know a collection of

golfers you won't find elsewhere: a young woman who was raised in a maintenance shed in South Asia and now plays on a college team in Southern California; a middle-aged globe-trotting caddie who is to golf what William Finnegan is to surfing; a renowned senior amateur from Chicago, a finalist in a long-ago British Amateur in St. Andrews, who is giving competitive golf one last go. You join golf societies with members who have fallen into various golfing rabbit holes. (Golden Age architects!) You visit some exalted private courses, and a bunch of good-time-Charlie public ones, across the United States and in the Kingdom. You hang with a legendary pro whose childlike wonder for the game makes him the ultimate amateur. The Ball in the Air is a fast-moving and spirited tribute to people who can do the whole eat-pray-love thing in one green place (and adjacent clubhouse), lucky souls who, as Bamberger writes, "can marvel at a white ball in a high sky and get lost." Bamberger, a writer and columnist for GOLF Magazine, spent twenty-two years as a writer at Sports Illustrated after thirteen years as a newspaper reporter. He has written a play (Bart & Fay) and seven books, including the New York Times bestseller Men in Green, The Second Life of Tiger Woods, To the Linksland, and Wonderland. His work has appeared in the annual anthology The Best American Sports Writing and other collections.

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Benedict, Jeff
<u>LEBRON</u>
Hardcover * April 2023



Bestselling author Jeff Benedict tells the story of basketball superstar LeBron James. Benedict is the bestselling author of sixteen nonfiction books, as well as a television and film producer. His latest book, *The Dynasty*, is the definitive inside story of the New England Patriots under Robert Kraft, Bill Belichick and Tom Brady. Published in 2020, it was an instant *New York Times* bestseller. The book is being developed into a 10-part documentary series, which Jeff is executive producing. In 2018, Jeff co-wrote the #1 bestseller *Tiger Woods*. Jeff was an executive producer on the HBO documentary *Tiger* that was based on the book and aired in 2021. The book is currently being developed into a scripted series, which Jeff is executive producing.

Jeff is also the executive producer on a documentary based on his book *Poisoned* that will air on Netflix. Jeff has been a special-features writer for *Sports Illustrated*, the *Los Angeles Times*, and the *Hartford Courant*, and his essays have appeared in the *New York Times*. His stories have been the basis of segments on *60 Minutes, CBS Sunday Morning, HBO Real Sports, Discovery Channel, Good Morning America, 20/20, 48 Hours, NFL Network*, and NPR.

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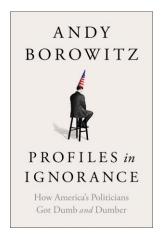
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Borowitz, Andy

PROFILES IN IGNORANCE: How America's Politicians Got Dumb And Dumber

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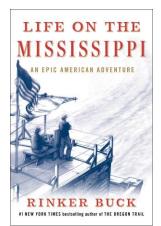
The first work of straight nonfiction from Andy Borowitz, "America's sharpest political satirist" (*The Washington Post*), *Profiles in Ignorance: How America's Politicians Got Dumb and Dumber* examines modern American politics in five entertaining and enlightening profiles. Borowitz argues that over the past fifty years, American politicians have grown increasingly allergic to knowledge, and mass media have encouraged the election of ignoramuses by elevating candidates who are better at performing than thinking. Starting with Ronald Reagan's first campaign for governor of California in 1966 and culminating with the election of Donald J. Trump to the White House, Borowitz shows how, during the age of 24-hour news and social media, the US has elected politicians to positions of great power whose lack of the most basic information is terrifying. In addition to Reagan, Quayle, Bush, Palin, and Trump, Borowitz covers a host of congresspersons, senators, and governors who have helped

lower the bar over the past five decades. Borowitz is an award-winning comedian and *New York Times*—bestselling author. He grew up in Cleveland, Ohio, and graduated from Harvard College, where he became President of the Harvard Lampoon. In 1998 he began contributing humor to *The New Yorker*'s "Shouts & Murmurs" and "Talk of the Town" departments. In 2001 he created The Borowitz Report, a satirical news column, which has millions of readers around the world. In 2012, *The New Yorker* began publishing The Borowitz Report. As a storyteller, he hosted "Stories at the Moth" from 1999 to 2009. As a comedian, he has played to sold-out venues around the world, including during his national tour, "Make America Not Embarrassing Again," from 2018 to 2020. He is the first-ever winner of the National Press Club's humor award. He lives with his family in New Hampshire.

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Buck, Rinker <u>LIFE ON THE MISSISSIPPI: An Epic American Adventure</u> Hardcover * August 2022

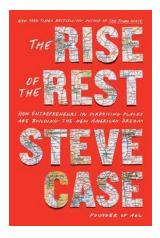


Life On the Mississippi is the eagerly awaited follow-up to his #1 New York Times bestseller The Oregon Trail. Fans of The Oregon Trail will enjoy the same blend of history and adventure about building and riding an authentic flatboat of the flatboat era and piloting it down the length of the Mississippi River today. Rinker Buck began his career in journalism at the Berkshire Eagle and was a longtime staff writer for the Hartford Courant. He has written for Vanity Fair, New York, Life, and many other publications and his work has won PEN New England Award, the Eugene S. Pulliam National Journalism Writing Award, and the Society of Professional Journalists Sigma Delta Chi Award. He is the author of The Oregon Trail as well as the acclaimed memoirs Flight of Passage and First Job.

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Case, Steve THE RISE OF THE REST: How Entrepreneurs In Surprising Places Are Building The New American Dream Hardcover * September 2022



RISE OF THE REST is based on a simple idea: cities can be renewed again through a vibrant startup culture if they have the right kind of support. Great entrepreneurs can be found anywhere, so let's go find them and invest in them. It's the American way, because America itself was a startup. It struggled to get going and almost didn't make it. Today it's the leader of the free world, built by entrepreneurs. But America needs help keeping its promises. We've seen as much as 75 percent of venture capital going to just three states—California, New York and Massachusetts—while the rest of the country fights it out for the remaining 25 percent. Only 10 percent of investments go to women-run enterprises, and one percent to Black founders. Rise of the Rest is about leveling the playing field for everybody. This book, *Rise of the Rest: How Entrepreneurs Are Building the New American Dream*, tells that story. Case is one of America's best-known and most accomplished entrepreneurs, and a

pioneer in making the Internet part of everyday life. Case's passion for helping entrepreneurs remains his driving force. He was the founding chair of the Startup America Partnership—an effort launched at the White House in 2011 to accelerate high-growth entrepreneurship throughout the nation. Case also was the founding co-chair of the National Advisory Council on Innovation & Entrepreneurship, and a member of President Obama's Council on Jobs and Competitiveness, where he chaired the subcommittee on entrepreneurship. As chairman and CEO of Revolution, a Washington, DC based investment firm he cofounded in 2005, Case partners with visionary entrepreneurs to build businesses such as Zipcar, Sweetgreen, and many others. He is the Chairman and CEO, Revolution; Founder and Partner, Revolution Growth; Co-Founder, America Online; Chairman, Case Foundation.

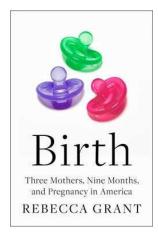
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Grant, Rebecca

BIRTH: Three Mothers, Nine Months, and Pregnancy in America

Hardcover * April 2023



In BIRTH, journalist Rebecca Grant gives us a uniquely intimate and inspiring portrayal of three women experiencing pregnancy and childbirth on their own terms in today's America, as they all pass through the doors of the same birth center in Portland, Oregon. There's Alison, a teacher whose long path to a healthy pregnancy has led her to question traditional hospital birth; T'Nika, who herself was born with the help of a midwife, and now aspires to be a Labor & Delivery nurse, driven by a commitment to equality in healthcare; and Jillian, an office manager and aspiring midwife who works at Andaluz, who is excited for a new beginning, but wonders how bringing a new life into the world might mean the deferral of her own dreams. Told with a gripping blend of rigorous on-theground reporting, deep social history, and compassionate personal detail, *Birth* is a never-before-seen look at how we all begin. Grant is a freelance journalist

based in Portland, Oregon who covers reproductive rights, health, and justice. Her work has appeared in NPR, *The Atlantic, Vice, The Nation, The Washington Post, Mother Jones, Marie Claire, Cosmopolitan, Huffington Post Highline*, and *The Guardian*, among other publications. She has received grants and fellowships from the International Women's Media Foundation, the International Reporting Project, and The Investigative Fund, reporting stories around the US and the world. Rebecca studied English and Art History at Cornell University and served in the Peace Corps in Thailand. Before full-time freelancing, she worked at *Washingtonian Magazine* and wrote about startups in San Francisco.

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Key, Harrison Scott HOW TO STAY MARRIED: (Actual Results May Vary) Hardcover * June 2023

One gorgeous autumn day, Harrison discovers that Lauren, his churchgoing wife of 14 years, is having an affair with a family friend. This revelation propels the hilarious, heartbreaking action of *How to Stay Married*, sending our narrator on a journey from heaven to hell and back again. She wants to leave their family and marry this man, she says. But why? How could his wife burn it all down and walk away? Harrison faces an onslaught of terrible choices: Kick her out and set fire to her clothes in the yard? Beat this other man to death with a shovel? Win back his wife? How do you fight for a woman who hoped for many years that you would die in a tragic bicycle accident? What to make of his wife's alleged belief in a God and a faith where a betrayal of this magnitude constituted one of the highest crimes imaginable? Armed with little but a sense of humor and a hunger for the truth, Harrison embarks on a hellish pilgrimage into his past, seeking answers to the riddles of faith, doubt, and forgiveness. Through an absurd series of escalating confessions and betrayals that would drive most people insane with rage, Harrison fights for his wife and his family and, in a climax almost too ridiculous to be believed, finally learns that love is no joke. *How to Stay Married* is a comic romp through the mysteries of faith, love, betrayal, and forgiveness. Key is the author of *The World*'s

Largest Man, winner of the 2016 Thurber Prize for American Humor, and Congratulations, Who Are You, Again?. In 2019, Harrison delivered a TEDx talk about the limitations and challenges of following one's creative ambition ("The Funny Thing About the American Dream"), which has since been featured on TED.com and has earned approximately 100K views. His humor and nonfiction have appeared in The Best American Travel Writing, Oxford American, Outside, The New York Times, McSweeney's Internet Tendency, Town & Country, The Mockingbird, Salon, Reader's Digest, Image, Southern Living, Gulf Coast, Creative Nonfiction, and elsewhere. He has performed his work for live audiences and radio, including a story adapted for Snap Judgement (WNYC Studios), and has spoken and performed at more than 200 book festivals, bookstores, conferences, variety shows, and universities. He lives in Savannah, Georgia.

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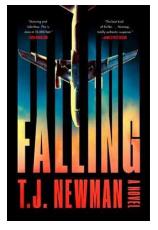
Klein, Ezra and Derek Thompson ABUNDANCE Hardcover * Spring 2024 (tent.)

From two reporter-columnists, one at *The New York Times* and the other at *The Atlantic*, a book on how to rethink big, entrenched problems that seem mired in systemic scarcity: from climate change to housing, education to healthcare. Thompson is a staff writer at The Atlantic, where he has worked for the last 14 years. Writing on economics, technology, and society, Derek is known for breaking down complicated trends in simple and fun language and for coining terms that become part of the national discourse—like abundance agenda, the everything shortage, and workism. In the first half of 2022 the same year he published his popular "abundance agenda" thesis and launched his series on progress—he was the most-read writer at The Atlantic. His book Hit Makers sold in the UK (Penguin), Germany (Redline), Netherlands (Scriptum), Portuguese/Brazil (Harper), Spanish/Latin America (Oceano Mexico), China/simplfied (CITIC), Chinese/complex (Business Weekly), Korean (Book 21), Czech Republic (Jan Melvil), Romania (Publica), Russian (Azbooka-Atticus). Klein is an Opinion columnist and podcast host at the New York Times. His podcast, "The Ezra Klein Show," receives more than a half-million downloads per episode, and is routinely in the top 25 podcasts on Apple's charts. In 2021, Time, New York Magazine, and the Atlantic all named it one of the podcasts of the year. He's among the Times's most-read columnists, where he's merged traditional opinion writing and explanatory reporting to bring clarity to policy debates often mired in complexity. In 2020, Klein published "Why We're Polarized," a bestselling examination of the forces driving polarization, and paralyzing politics, in the United States.

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Newman, T.J. FALLING Hardcover * July 2021



You just boarded a flight to New York. There are one hundred and forty-three other passengers onboard. What you don't know is that thirty minutes before the flight your pilot's family was kidnapped. For his family to live, everyone on your plane must die. The only way the family will survive is if the pilot follows his orders and crashes the plane. Enjoy the flight.

T. J. Newman, a former bookseller turned flight attendant, worked for Virgin America and Alaska Airlines from 2011 to 2021. She wrote much of *Falling* on cross-country red-eye flights while her passengers were asleep. She lives in Phoenix, Arizona. This is her first novel.

"Stunning and relentless. This is Jaws at 35,000 feet." —Don Winslow "Falling is the best kind of thriller...Nonstop, totally authentic suspense." —

James Patterson

"Amazing...Intense suspense, shocks and scares...Chilling." —Lee Child

"The perfect summer thriller. Relentlessly paced and unforgettable." —Janet Evanovich

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Oakes, John

THE FAST: The History, Science, Philosophy and Promise of Doing Without (tentative title) by Hardcover * Spring/Summer 2024

THE FAST is an extended cultural history of fasting as well as a meditation on the process. In the aftermath of the Trump Administration, in what seemed to be the waning months of Covid, veteran publishing executive John Oakes decided to go on a seven-day fast. The politics, philosophy, history, and biological implications of this experience will resonate throughout this book. THE FAST will include brief meditations on compulsive consumption, precarity and boundaries, and the ancient principle of voluntary deprivation that can be found in just about every major spiritual tradition. THE FAST will be based on extensive research and firsthand observation, which includes the author's trip to Minneapolis to experience perceptual fasting at what is reputedly the quietest place on Earth, interviews with doctors, spiritual leaders (including ministers, rabbis, an imam, and a Buddhist monk), and activists. This topic also ties into trends around slowing down and wellness. In recent years, fasting has undergone a tremendous resurgence in popularity among seekers of spirituality of all stripes, health advocates, and activists who undertake hunger strikes as a dramatic, non-violent form of protest—one that's often proven to be effective. THE FAST is aimed at a popular, non-academic audience, but it is not a how-to book. There are dozens of books on fasting—The Complete Guide to Fasting, The Obesity Code, Intermittent Fasting, Essential Fasting, Fast Feast Repeat, and on and on—but none on fasting's deep philosophical roots, its sociological implications, and its important role in world culture. Oakes is the publisher of The Evergreen Review, a political and literary journal, and editor-at-large for OR Books, which he co-founded in 1989. He has written for a variety of publications, among them The Oxford Handbook of Publishing (2019; he wrote Chapter 7 on "Publishing and Culture"), Publishers Weekly, the Review of Contemporary Fiction, the Associated Press, and The Journal of Electronic Publishing. He founded and directed the New School Publishing

Institute until its demise due to Covid in 2020. He was named a chevalier de l'ordre des arts et des lettres by the French government and he is a cum laude graduate of Princeton University, where he earned the English Department undergraduate thesis prize for an essay on Samuel Beckett.

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Radke, Heather

BUTTS: How We Shape Our Bodies and How Our Bodies Shape Us

Hardcover * November 2022



An unexpected, fascinating journey into the scientific and cultural history of the female butt, from fossils and flappers to Buns of Steel and Baby Got Back. Growing up Heather Radke always felt that her butt was too big. That is, until one day a decade or so later, when she realized that bodies like hers were suddenly everywhere, in music videos and song lyrics, advertisements, and on the cover of celebrity tabloids. The thing she had been raised to be ashamed of was suddenly a kind of superpower: what had happened? To find out, Radke—now a museum curator and writer—set out on a journey to discover how a random collection of fat and flesh became the most racialized, sexualized, and mythologized part of the female body. Part reportage, part personal journey, and part cabinet of curiosities, *Butts* provides an entertaining and informative, but thoughtfully analytic understanding of how our most private feelings about our own bodies emerge from larger forces, and how and why certain kinds of

bodies come in and out of fashion.

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Singer, Saul and Dan Senor

THE GENIUS OF ISRAEL: What One Small Nation Can Teach The World

Hardcover * November 2022

From the co-authors of the New York Times-bestselling Start-Up Nation: The Story of Israel's Economic Miracle comes the highly anticipated follow-up, The Genius of Israel, breaking down the defining factors behind Israel's successful trajectory of innovation and explaining how other nations can learn from its development. In Singer and Senor's prior book Start-Up Nation, the co-authors addressed the trillion dollar question: How is it that Israel—a country of 7.1 million, only 60 years old, surrounded by enemies, in a constant state of war since its founding, with no natural resources produces more start-up companies than large, peaceful, and stable nations like Japan, China, India, Korea, Canada and the UK? Senor and Singer's astute analysis of Israel's unique policies and culture, and their practical conclusions of how other nations could learn from its example, made Start-Up Nation a major bestseller in the US and around the globe, translated into 30 languages. Now in their follow-up, The Genius of Israel, Senor and Singer study the global innovation race and present a new universal metric to evaluate where different nations stand in the guest to achieve new levels of innovation. They identify the two categories of countries most likely to make a dramatic leap forward, and they illustrate how the world has greatly changed in the decade since Start-Up Nation was published. Senor is an executive at Elliott Management and co-author of the best-seller Start-Up Nation: The Story of Israel's Economic Miracle. He was a senior advisor to Paul Ryan's 2012 campaign for vice president and foreign policy advisor to Mitt Romney's presidential campaigns. A former Defense Department official, Senor has been based in Baghdad and at US Central Command

in Qatar, and was a US Senate aide in the 1990s. He has written for *The Wall Street Journal*, *The New York Times*, *USA Today*, and *The Washington Post*. He lives in New York City. Saul Singer is the co-author of the best-selling book *Start-Up Nation: The Story of Israel's Economic Miracle*. He is a former Editorial Page Editor and columnist at the *Jerusalem Post*. In Israel, Singer has briefed visiting executives from or spoken at the Israeli headquarters of companies such as: Johnson & Johnson, Proctor & Gamble, Xerox, General Electric, IBM, AT&T, Microsoft, and DuPont.Before moving to Israel in 1994, he served for ten years as an advisor to different U.S. Members of Congress and on the staffs of the U.S. House Foreign Affairs and Senate Banking Committees. He lives in Jerusalem with his wife and three children.

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Steinberger, Michael

<u>PHILOSOPHER IN THE VALLEY: Alex Karp, Palantir, and the Rise of the Surveillance State</u> by Hardcover * Spring/Summer 2024

Go to Palantir's website and you are greeted by the kind of anodyne techno-utopianism that is de rigueur at annual stockholders' meetings and Apple Stores. With good data and the right technology, people and institutions today can still solve hard problems and change the world for the better. But what is Palantir? In the not-entirely-hyperbolic words of its billionaire CEO, it is "the de facto operating system of the West's most vital institutions." Named by co-founder Peter Thiel after the palantir seeing stones of Tolkein's LORD OF THE RINGS, Palantir is an unrivalled data mining behemoth that is run by one of the most unconventional and heterodox CEO's to be found among the Davos global elite, Alex Karp. What are those "vital institutions" using Palantir to "change the world for the better"? The CIA, MI6, Mossad, ICE, all the branches of the US military, the SEC, the IRS, the CDC, the executive branch, BP, Airbus, the World Health Organization, the World Food Programme—just about everything your tax dollars pay for that touches your life, and many things your consumer dollars pay for, as well. Unlike its household-name peers—Meta, Apple, Microsoft, Amazon, and Alphabet—Palantir rarely makes a splash outside of the business pages. Even though its business is us. Steinberger will for the first time illuminate the paradoxical and idiosyncratic figure who is as consequential to the security of our democracy and our information as anyone in in the world of technology or government. Steinberger is the perfect candidate to write this book. He has Karp's implicit trust. He has written important profiles for the *Times Magazine* about Joe Biden and George Soros, and has written about business for *The Times* of London and *The Financial Times*. He is also a James Beard Award-winning wine writer (he's the author of two books about food and wine culture), and covers tennis for the NYT, including his excellent recent A1 overview of the Djokovic-Australia contretemps, which he puts in the context of Djokovic's broader biography, his allegiance to nontraditional medicine, and his outsider identity as a Serbian national hero.

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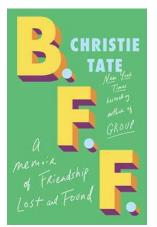
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Tate, Christie

B.F.F.: A Memoir of Friendship Lost and Found by Christie Tate Hardcover * February 2023



Following the instant New York Times bestseller and Reese's Book Club pick Group, B.F.F. is a delightfully funny, heartwarming, and deliciously voyeuristic memoir from Christie Tate about her lifelong struggle to form deep and lasting female friendships, and the friend who helps her discover the human connection she seeks. After more than a decade of dead-end dates and dysfunctional relationships, Christie Tate has reclaimed her voice and found a loving man who doesn't drink. Her days of agonizing in group therapy over guys who won't commit are over, the grueling emotional work required to attach to another person tucked neatly into the past. Or so she thought. Weeks into giddily sharing stories of her new boyfriend at Saturday morning recovery meetings, Christie receives a gift. Meredith, twenty years her senior and always impeccably accessorized, gives her a box of holiday-themed scarves as well as

a gentle suggestion: maybe now is the perfect time to examine why friendships give her trouble. "The work never ends, right?" she says with a wink. From the hilarious, razor-sharp author behind the instant New York Times-bestseller Group, B.F.F. is a testament to the diner dates and desperate phone calls that make a friendship, and the ways one life—however messy and imperfect—can alter another. Tate is a Chicago-based writer and essayist. She has been published in The New York Times (Modern Love), The Rumpus, The Washington Post, Chicago Tribune, McSweeney's Internet Tendency, Eastern Iowa Review, and elsewhere. Kiese Laymon selected her essay "Promised Lands" as the winner of the New Ohio Review's 2019 nonfiction contest.

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Wong, Chun Han
PARTY OF ONE
Hardcover * May 2023

Chun Han Wong's Party of One, a definitive and vital new account of Xi Jinping's China, corrects widely held misconceptions about Xi's agenda and explains how his embrace of hard-edged authoritarianism has set this rising superpower on a collision course with Western liberal democracies. Wong has been a reporter with The Wall Street Journal since 2010. During his five years at the Journal's Beijing bureau, Chun Han wrote widely on subjects spanning elite politics, Communist Party doctrine, human and labor rights, as well as defense and diplomatic affairs. He has chronicled Xi Jinping's campaign to accrue personal power and enforce Party control—from crackdowns on corruption, dissent and independent scholarship, and efforts to enforce the Party's narratives in online spaces, businesses, schools and even private homes. In August 2019, after the Chinese government refused to renew Chun Han's press credentials, he moved to the Journal's bureau in Hong Kong, where he has continued covering Chinese politics, examining Xi's hard-nosed strategy for crushing dissent in the former British colony, his increasingly coercive efforts to reel in the island democracy of Taiwan, as well as the domestic and diplomatic fallout from the Covid-19 pandemic that first emerged in central China. Chun Han was born and raised in Singapore. A native speaker in English and Mandarin Chinese, he graduated from the London School of Economics with first class honors and received the Derby Bryce Prize for achieving the best degree in International History in his class.

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