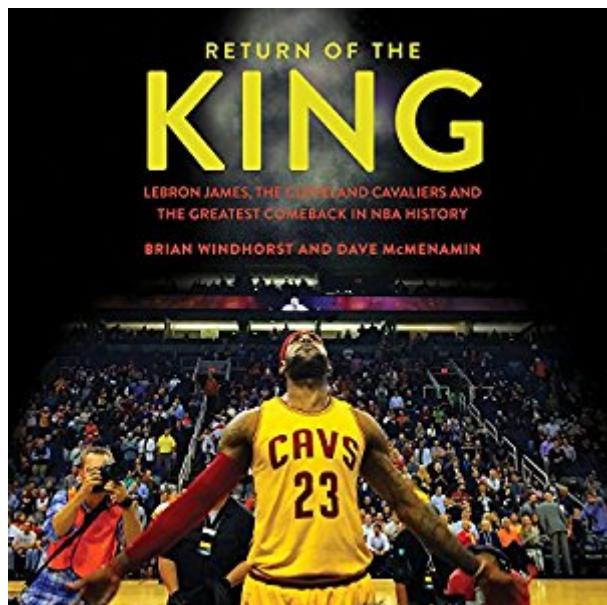


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Return Of The King: LeBron James, The Cleveland Cavaliers And The Greatest Comeback In NBA History



Synopsis

The inside story of LeBron James' return and ultimate triumph in Cleveland. What really happened when LeBron James stunned the NBA by leaving a potential dynasty in Miami to come home to play with the Cleveland Cavaliers? How did the Cavs use secret meetings to put together the deal to add star Kevin Love? Who really made the controversial decision to fire coach David Blatt when the team was in first place? Where did the greatest comeback in NBA history truly begin - and end? Return of the King takes you onto the private planes, inside the locker room conversations, and into the middle of the intense huddles where one of the greatest stories in basketball history took place, resulting in the Cavs winning the 2016 NBA title after trailing the Golden State Warriors three games to one. You'll hear from all the characters involved - the players, the executives, the agents, and the owners - as they reveal stories never before told. Get the background on all the controversies, the rivalries, and the bad blood from two reporters who were there for every day, plot twist, and social media snafu as they take you through the fascinating ride that culminated in a heart-stopping game seven.

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Customer Reviews

A great read that's full of interesting information that wasn't available to the general public. Brian and Dave fill in the missing pieces that weren't reported or even known by them until they pried it out of the players, coaches, and executives of the Cavs after they won the championship. Brilliant investigative work done when everyone involved with the Cavs were basking in the glow of being

the hometown heroes and had let their guard down. Real fans of the Cavs probably know about 50 percent of the information in the book, but having it put in chronological order and, as I already said, filling in the holes with missing information, makes it must reading.

Very thorough and detailed book. I just wish there were more "behind the scenes" stories. This was more so a week by week game recap covering two seasons. If you're a Cavs fan and you follow the beat writers, most of the information is a repeat of what you've already heard/read. Aside from more detail into LBJ's resigning with the Cavs, not much new information is uncovered in this book. The authors did a great job, but I would recommend this book more for those people not already following the team on a daily basis .

Pretty interesting though if you are a serious Cavs fan there is really nothing new that you didn't already know. I was disappointed because the marketing for the book (Windhorst) said there would be a lot of revealing unknown behind the scenes information revealed in the book. There was very little written that I didn't already know. But if your not a serious Cavs fan, it will be revealing and probably interesting to you.....

As a huge Cavaliers fan this is the second book I read on the season. But this one is definitely way more in depth. For the supercasual basketball fan it may not be the greatest but if you love this team and you like basketball in general it's a very interesting read

This book is awesome, it talks about everything that happened since the beginning to the end of the rebuilding of the team. It also mentions how every player felt during crucial moments throughout games, plays, also rumors, trades, the money involved, comments amongst players, how the team operates in certain aspects. I really learned a lot of things that I didn't know about plays, the league. Etc... I recommend this books to everyone, not only because I am Lebron James fan, but because I am also a fan of the game of basketball, and I didn't really expect to learn so many things from this book.

Awesome behind the scenes stories about one of the most important prophecies fulfilled in NBA history. Brian is an awesome journalist and I really appreciate his work.

Being from Cleveland I thought I knew it all from constantly reading the sports page, online content

and whatnot. This book gave me great inside news within the whole organization. I just wish the book would not have ended. Loved it that much. Great job Brian.

This book is a must for any Cavs fans, but is incredibly disappointing for those of us who followed the story of this team over the past two years. It is a missed opportunity. The reason is simple: the book is really a compendium of the very in-depth and excellent reporting that McMenamin especially, as the Cavs beat writer for ESPN, and Windhorst did throughout the Cavs run. The book is well-written and the reporting is seamlessly woven into a single narrative, but aside from a bit more insight from Gilbert and Griffen, there is nothing new here if you were following this story closely. For example, the clearly were not able to score interviews with LeBron or Blatt to give us real insights into the dynamics after some time and perspective: we are left with the remove of the writers' views of the interactions and the many statements made at the time of the feud. How much credit should Blatt have gotten for defensive adjustments in the first run to the finals (vice Lue as "defensive coordinator"? What does Irving really think about how things went down? Same thing on the Gilbert-LeBron or Love-LeBron dynamics. What do they think of each other now? Those are the big ones, but I could go on. Folks like Timo and Delly have left the team, so their insights would be great to have. In sum, McMenamin in particular did a phenomenal job covering the team over the past several years; the book suffers in that he does not go much beyond his own reporting to give us more depth to the backstory...

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