

## Novak Djokovic The Sporting Statesman

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 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.

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 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.

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London-based American journalist Grossman continues her coverage of the Internet by assessing the battles she believes will define its future. Among them are scams, class divisions, privacy, the Communications Decency Act, women online, pornography, hackers and the computer underground, criminals, and sociopaths. Annotation copyrighted by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR

Looks at the history of some of the best tennis matches, focusing on breaking down, analyzing, and putting historical context into each match.

What makes Spanish tennis so unique and successful? What exactly are those Spanish coaches doing so differently to develop superstars like Rafael Nadal and David Ferrer that other systems are not doing? These and other questions are answered in *The Secrets of Spanish Tennis*, the culmination of five years of study on the Spanish way of training by USTA High Performance Coach Chris Lewit. He visited many of the top Spanish academies and studied and interviewed some of the leading coaches in Spain to discern and distill this unique and special training methodology.

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This book takes a close look at how the sport industry has been impacted by the global Coronavirus pandemic, as entire seasons have been cut short, events have been cancelled, athletes have been infected, and sport studies programs have moved online. Crucially, the book also asks how the industry might move forward. With contributions from sport studies researchers across the world, the book offers commentaries, cases, and informed analysis across a wide range of topics and practical areas within sport business and management, from crisis communication and marketing to event management and finance. While Covid-19 will inevitably cast a long shadow over sport for years to come, and although the situation is fast-evolving and the future is uncertain, this book offers some important early perspectives and reflections that will inform debate and influence policy and practice. A timely addition to the body of knowledge regarding the pandemic, this is an important resource for researchers, students, practitioners, the media, policy-makers, and anybody who cares about the future of sport.

Presents a comprehensive study of the technology behind the sport of tennis and contains

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diagrams and graphs to give a visual understanding of the physics involved in such things as the flight and bounce of the ball.

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From one of the world's most beloved and bestselling authors, a terrifically useful and readable guide to the problems of the English language most commonly encountered by editors and writers. What is the singular form of graffiti? From what mythological figure is the word "tantalize" derived? One of the English language's most skilled writers guides us all toward precise, mistake-free usage. Covering spelling, capitalization, plurals, hyphens, abbreviations, and foreign names and phrases, Bryson's Dictionary for Writers and Editors will be an indispensable companion for all who care enough about our language not to maul, misuse, or contort it. As Bill Bryson notes, "English is a dazzlingly idiosyncratic tongue, full of quirks and irregularities that often seem willfully at odds with logic and common sense." This dictionary is an essential guide to the wonderfully disordered thing that is the English language.

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- The outstanding English-language biography of the great Swiss star, arguably the greatest tennis player of all time, now exhaustively revised and updated

The terrifying comic strip about a woman taxi driver--take a seat and buckle up for a wild ride

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.

Roger Federer is a legend not only in the world of tennis but also in the wider sporting arena.

With a record-breaking tally of 16 Grand Slam titles to his name, he shows no sign of slowing down and in 2010 added another Australian Open win to his collection, as well as taking the trophy in the end-of-season ATP World Wide Tour Finals in London.

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 Vavrinc 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.

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

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tennis, along with a mine full of useful information and contacts.

The Appalachian region stretches from Mississippi to New York, encompassing rural areas as well as cities from Birmingham to Pittsburgh. Though Appalachia's people are as diverse as its terrain, few other regions in America are as burdened with stereotypes. Author Frank X Walker coined the term "Affrilachia" to give identity and voice to people of African descent from this region and to highlight Appalachia's multicultural identity. This act inspired a group of gifted artists, the Affrilachian Poets, to begin working together and using their writing to defy persistent stereotypes of Appalachia as a racially and culturally homogenized region. After years of growth, honors, and accomplishments, the group is acknowledging its silver anniversary with *Black Bone*. Edited by two newer members of the Affrilachian Poets, Bianca Lynne Spriggs and Jeremy Paden, *Black Bone* is a beautiful collection of both new and classic work and features submissions from Frank X Walker, Nikky Finney, Gerald Coleman, Crystal Wilkinson, Kelly Norman Ellis, and many others. This illuminating and powerful collection is a testament to a groundbreaking group and its enduring legacy.

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

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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:

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"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.

Novak Djokovic is not just one the world's greatest tennis players - he is a de facto ambassador for his country, Serbia.

A limited, leather bound , individually numbered edition of the magnificent official celebration of the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. A glorious keepsake of the London 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games, full of unforgettable images, powerful quotes and fascinating statistics. It traces the whole incredible story, from early preparation through the creation of the Olympic Park, the Torch Relay and the innovative Cultural Olympiad. It explores both Games in detail, revealing how record-breaking athletes, spectators, volunteers and locals have all made London 2012 their own. Beautifully designed and featuring the Games' most evocative photography and a foreword by Sebastian Coe KBE, London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games: The Commemorative

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Book captures the magical atmosphere of a once in a lifetime event. Only 2012 have been produced and will only be available for sale until the end of the year. This book offers an accessible overview of the role sport plays in international relations and diplomacy. Sports diplomacy has previously been defined as an old but under-studied aspect of the estranged relations between peoples, nations and states. These days, it is better understood as the conscious, strategic and ongoing use of sport, sportspeople and sporting events by state and non-state actors to advance policy, trade, development, education, image, reputation, brand, and people-to-people links. In order to better understand the many occasions where sport and diplomacy overlap, this book presents four new, interdisciplinary and theoretical categories of sports diplomacy: traditional, 'new', sport-as-diplomacy, and sports anti-diplomacy. These categories are further validated by a large number of case studies, ranging from the Ancient Olympiad to the recent appearance of esoteric, government sports diplomacy strategies, and beyond, to the activities of non-state sporting actors such as F.C. Barcelona, Colin Kaepernick and the digital world of e-sports. As a result, the landscape of sports diplomacy becomes clearer, as do the pitfalls and limitations of using sport as a diplomatic tool. This book will be of much interest to students of diplomacy, foreign policy, sports studies, and International Relations in general.

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Learn the Inspiring Story of One of Tennis' Greatest Stars, Novak Djokovic! Read on your PC, Mac, smartphone, tablet or Kindle device! In *Novak Djokovic: The Inspiring Story of One of Tennis' Greatest Legends*, you will learn the inspirational story of one of tennis' 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,

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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

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Collects poems about the African American experience in such rural areas as the Appalachian region.

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

#### Kings Road Publishing

Describes how athletes reach a high level of performance in which they feel perfectly attuned toward their sport

FEDERER is almost universally recognised as the greatest tennis player of all time; he might also be the greatest athlete. Adored around the world, Federer has become one of sport's most iconic and popular figures. In this innovative graphic biography, Federer's genius is explored and celebrated like never before, with beautiful infographics looking at his serving patterns, the speed of his shots, the spin he generates, his movement, as well as his performance in high-

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pressure situations such as tiebreaks and Grand Slam finals. Federer's astonishing records - no man has won more majors, or spent more weeks as the world number one - are also showcased against his rivals and the legends of the game. Drawing on his conversations with Federer, as well as exclusive interviews with those close to the Swiss, Mark Hodgkinson tells the story of how a young hothead from Basel transformed himself into a calm and poised athlete who came to dominate tennis. And who, while deep in his thirties, has continued to seek improvements, to challenge men many years younger than him and to contend for the sport's biggest prizes. The infographics, stunning photography and insight and analysis - from Federer's rivals, idols, coaches and members of his inner circle - will give you a new appreciation of his greatness and how his tennis has moved so many people.

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 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

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his people, and how determination married to sensitivity can create a sporting statesman. Exactly what does a conductor do in front of an orchestra? Internationally renowned conductor Christopher Seaman offers lively and informative answers in this wise yet humorous book. 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.

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In January 1982, an elderly white widow was found brutally murdered in a small town of Greenwood, South Carolina. The arrest and conviction of Edward Lee Elmore, a semiliterate, mentally retarded black man with no previous felony record is a textbook example of what can go wrong in the American justice system. With the exemplary moral commitment and tenacious investigation that have distinguished his reporting career, Raymond Bonner follows the efforts of a courageous young attorney, Dianna Holt, to save Elmore's life. -- from back cover.

TENNIS. 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 also examines how Roger has bounced back from arguably one of the most challenging periods of his career as, following a serious illness and a dip in form, he broke his run of successive Wimbledon championship wins and was toppled from the Number One spot by rival Rafael Nadal. In characteristic style, Roger silenced his critics by once again winning the US Open title in August 2008. Roger's professionalism and charm, as well as the time he devotes to his charitable foundation, have won him huge amounts of respect from both his fellow sportsmen and tennish professionals alike.

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 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

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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 football, pro and college basketball, hockey, or soccer, we have a book about your sport or your team. In addition to books on popular team sports, we also publish books for a wide variety of athletes and sports enthusiasts, including books on running, cycling, horseback riding, swimming, tennis, martial arts, golf, camping, hiking, aviation, boating, and so much more. While not every title we publish becomes a New York Times bestseller or a national bestseller, we are committed to publishing books on subjects that are sometimes overlooked by other publishers and to authors whose work might not otherwise find a home.

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

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As the governing party of peace and reform, and then as the third party striving to keep the flame of freedom alive, the Liberal Party, the SDP and the Liberal Democrats have played an undoubtedly crucial role in the shaping of contemporary British society. And yet, the leaders who have stood at its helm - from Earl Grey to Nick Clegg, via William Gladstone, David Lloyd George and Paddy Ashdown - have steered the Liberal vessel with enormously varying degrees of success. With the widening of the franchise, revolutionary changes to social values and the growing ubiquity of the media, the requirements, techniques and goals of Liberal leadership since the party's origins in the struggle for the Great Reform Act have been forced to evolve almost beyond recognition - and not all its leaders have managed to keep up. This comprehensive and enlightening book considers the attributes and achievements of each leader in the context of their respective time and political landscape, offering a compelling

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analytical framework by which they may be judged, detailed personal biographies from some of the leading academics and experts on Liberal history, and exclusive interviews with former leaders themselves. An indispensable contribution to the study of party leadership, *British Liberal Leaders* is the essential guide to understanding British political history and governance through the prism of those who created it.

A NEW YORK TIMES NOTABLE BOOK A “thoroughly captivating biography” (The San Francisco Chronicle) of American icon Arthur Ashe—the Jackie Robinson of men’s tennis—a pioneering athlete who, after breaking the color barrier, went on to become an influential civil rights activist and public intellectual. Born in Richmond, Virginia, in 1943, by the age of eleven, Arthur Ashe was one of the state’s most talented black tennis players. He became the first African American to play for the US Davis Cup team in 1963, and two years later he won the NCAA singles championship. In 1968, he rose to a number one national ranking. Turning professional in 1969, he soon became one of the world’s most successful tennis stars, winning the Australian Open in 1970 and Wimbledon in 1975. After retiring in 1980, he served four years as the US Davis Cup captain and was inducted into the International Tennis Hall of Fame in 1985. In this “deep, detailed, thoughtful chronicle” (The New York Times Book Review), Raymond Arsenault chronicles Ashe’s rise to stardom on the court. But much of the book explores his off-court career as a human rights activist, philanthropist, broadcaster, writer, businessman, and celebrity. In the 1970s and 1980s, Ashe gained renown as an advocate for sportsmanship, education, racial equality, and the elimination of apartheid in South Africa. But from 1979 on, he was forced to deal with a serious heart condition that led to multiple surgeries and blood transfusions, one of which left him HIV-positive. After devoting the last ten months of

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his life to AIDS activism, Ashe died in February 1993 at the age of forty-nine, leaving an inspiring legacy of dignity, integrity, and active citizenship. Based on prodigious research, including more than one hundred interviews, Arthur Ashe puts Ashe in the context of both his time and the long struggle of African-American athletes seeking equal opportunity and respect, and “will serve as the standard work on Ashe for some time” (Library Journal, starred review). Who'd make it into the best England team ever? And you can chose anyone, regardless of when they might have played. Would W.G. Grace be playing alongside Denis Compton and David Gower? Or Kevin Pietersen? The debate could be endless, so who better to make the selection than Geoffrey Boycott, himself one of England's all-time highest scoring Test batsmen and now the game's most forthright, shrewd and iconoclastic commentator. Based on his own fresh analysis amd interpretation of the statistics, Boycs has come up with his own, sometimes surprising Best Eleven of all time. And he's not just cast a critical eye over England's finest either. Every other test-playing nation comes under the spotlight. You may not agree - in fact, you're almost certain not to - but each player has been carefully chosen and the case for his inclusion forcefully argued in what is sure to be the most entertaining, thought-provoking and memorable cricket books of the year from one of the game's most outspoken and enduring characters.

For many in Israel and elsewhere, Benjamin Netanyahu is anathema, an embarrassment; yet he continues to dominate Israeli public life. How can we explain his rise, his hold on Israeli politics, and his outsized role on the world's stage? In Bibi, Anshel Pfeffer reveals the formative influence of Netanyahu's father and grandfather, who bequeathed to him a once-marginal brand of Zionism combining Jewish nationalism with religious traditionalism. In the

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Zionist enterprise, Netanyahu embodies the triumph of the underdogs over the secular liberals who founded the nation. Netanyahu's Israel is a hybrid of ancient phobia and high-tech hope; of tribalism and globalism — just like the man himself. We cannot understand Israel today without first understanding the man who leads it.

In early April 2010 Nick Clegg was fighting for recognition, even as the young, fresh and personable leader of Britain's third political party. Two weeks later he was the focus of 'Cleggmania' and his popularity was compared with Churchill's. Four weeks after that he became the second most important figure in the government - but within a year he was ridiculed and reviled as popular hopes turned to disappointment. But who is Nick Clegg? What has made him the man he is today? By what route did he enjoy one of the most spectacular rises - and falls - in British politics? This fully revised and updated edition of Chris Bowers' acclaimed biography contains an analysis of the first years of coalition government, and tells us what we can expect of the Deputy Prime Minister as the next general election approaches. With a lightness of touch that captures the spirit of the unstuffy Lib Dem leader, and with the benefit of access to Clegg himself and the many people who have shaped and worked with him, Bowers presents a sensitive, critical and above all insightful portrait of one of the leading political figures of our age.

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