

## Pillars Of Eternity Collectors Edition Strategy Guide Prima Official Game Guides

Head back to the universe of Batman: The Animated Series in Batman and Harley Quinn! Harley Quinn's name has always been synonymous with The Joker. The wacky duo has wreaked havoc upon the streets of Gotham as the Clown Prince and Princess of Crime, and caused mayhem together while truly, deeply, madly in love. But when The Joker pushes Harley's buttons, she rats him out to Batman himself! Before Batman can haul Harley off to Arkham Asylum, her best friend Poison Ivy swoops in and rescues her. Harley and Ivy soon begin a plot of their own against Batman. Harley just wants to have a little fun while she and Ivy scheme against Bats...but all-business Ivy isn't having it. Harley sets out to prove that she's more than Mistah J's henchwoman and Ivy's lackey. Can Harley make a name for herself and prove that she's no one's sidekick? Featuring stories by author Ty Templeton (Batman and Robin Adventures) and Rick Burchett (Batman Adventures). Collects Batman and Harley Quinn chapters #1-7 and Harley Quinn and Batman chapters #1-5

In the time before the Confessors, when the world is a dark and dangerous place, where treason and treachery are the rule of the day, comes one heroic woman--Magda Searus--who has just lost her husband and her way in life.

Master Square Enix's critically acclaimed RPG Octopath Traveler with this comprehensive guide! Explore every corner of Orsterra with the help of this complete guide which includes insight and explanation of the main narrative as well as boss strategies for each of the games' eight protagonists! Dive deeper with detailed environment maps, subquest information, and beautiful illustrations that fully realize Octopath Traveler's HD-2D graphics with exclusive explanations and commentary from the development team. Dark Horse Books and Square Enix present a faithful localization of the original Japanese volume, offered in English for the first time! Whether you're a first-time player or looking to take your game to one hundred percent completion, this guide book is not to be missed!

Prepare To Die Less with this Hardback Guide to Dark Souls !!Going into Dark Souls unaided will get you killed. A lot. Even armed with the complete knowledge of the game that this guide will provide, you're still certain to die at least a few times. But when a gigantic demon takes you by surprise you'll at least have a chance to not lose everything. This is a true survival guide for a game that's almost impossible to survive.

**Area Guide Walkthrough**The Walkthrough makes use of detailed maps to guide you in exploring every inch of the game's huge world. Learn the most useful shortcuts and find all of the hidden areas.

**Enemy Encyclopedia**Everything you need to know to tackle the game's army of lethal foes is contained in one easy-to-use reference chapter. Tactics, data and attack details for all enemies will prove an invaluable resource.

**Weapons & Equipment**Weapons, Armor and Magic are all covered in exhaustive detail. Full stats, locations, upgrade paths and usage strategies are provided so you can easily compare all of the options when choosing your equipment.

**All Items**The complete item lists reveal every last consumable, accessory, upgrading material and offensive item. Quickly discover where to find each one and how to make the most of them.

**Character Building**Plan your character perfectly with our guide to choosing classes, building your character for specific roles

and selecting optimal equipment. Everything Uncovered Discover how to unlock every Achievement or Trophy and learn the secrets of Dark Souls' unique online multiplayer mode.

Bundled With Exclusive Bonus Items: - The Witcher Grimoire: This 96-page book of lore is brimming with rare knowledge about the lands, monsters, people and pastimes of the world of The Witcher. Created by David S. Hodgson, this book can only be found in the Collectible Hardcover Guide. - Art Section featuring more than 30 pages devoted to the beautiful world of The Witcher 3. Collectible Hardcover Guide Includes: - Deluxe foil stamped hardcover strategy guide featuring exclusive art specifically created by the artists at CD Projekt Red. - 100% complete walkthrough for all the quests in the game! - Comprehensive Witcher Training including lengthy tutorials for combat, skills and abilities, crafting, the game of Gwent, and more! - A full atlas of locations and detailed information devoted to the areas within the world of The Witcher. - Complete bestiary covering all types of foes and monsters in the world of The Witcher 3—discover the best strategies for dispatching every enemy you face! - Free Mobile-Friendly eGuide: Unlock the enhanced eGuide for access to updated content, all optimized for a second-screen experience. These limited edition guides will only be printed once. When they are sold out, they will be gone forever!

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Red Dead Redemption 2 Complete Official Guide Standard Edition Compiled and crafted in association with Rockstar Games, this guide is your indispensable companion to the vast, dangerous, and breathtaking world of Red Dead Redemption 2. GUIDE DETAILS HUNDREDS OF UNTOLD TALES, TOLD: All events at your fingertips, from the most memorable missions to the rarest chance encounters – you need never miss a single moment of the story CHARTING THE WILDS: Hi-res annotated maps detail everything you might hope to find as you travel: special collectibles, hidden lock boxes, uncharted landmarks... they're all here 100% COMPLETION: Treasure hunts, gunslingers, robberies, loansharking, bounty hunting, table games – all streamlined for total completion VISUAL SOLUTIONS: Supported by annotated 4K screenshots COMPLETION ROADMAPS: Comprehensive flowcharts reveal the exact availability conditions of all missions and unlockables EXPERT ANALYSIS: All key systems and parameters fully documented, with exhaustive appraisals of all weapons, items, horse breeds, animals – and so much more EASE OF USE: Instant searches, print navigation systems and an extensive 2-page index give you immediate access to the information you need.

This book describes the paleomagnetism of sediments and sedimentary rocks, how sediments and sedimentary rocks become magnetized, and how the physical and chemical processes involved can affect the accuracy of paleomagnetism. Topics covered include depositional and post-depositional remanence acquisition, the detection and correction of compaction-caused inclination shallowing, reduction diagenesis of magnetic minerals, chemical remagnetization, and rotation of remanence by grain-scale rock strain. The book also has a chapter on environmental paleomagnetism, including examples of the new technique of high-resolution rock magnetic cyclostratigraphy and its application to sedimentary sequences. By emphasizing the accuracy of sedimentary paleomagnetism and the magnitude of post-depositional processes that can affect it, the book will be invaluable in the geologic

interpretation of sedimentary paleomagnetic data. Paleomagnetism of Sedimentary Rocks will be welcomed by paleomagnetists, students of paleomagnetism and all Earth scientists who use sedimentary paleomagnetic data in their research. Additional resources for this book can be found at: [www.wiley.com/go/kodama/paleomagnetism](http://www.wiley.com/go/kodama/paleomagnetism).

“Atkinson and Jewell invite each of us to reimagine one’s connection to the land while cultivating nature close to home. A must-read for anyone searching for inspired solutions for designing or refining a garden.” —founder of Pass the Pistil From windswept deserts to misty seaside hills and verdant valleys, the natural landscapes of the American West offer an astounding variety of climates for gardens. Under Western Skies reveals thirty-six of the most innovative designs—all embracing and celebrating the very soul of the land on which they grow. For the gardeners featured here, nature is the ultimate inspiration rather than something to be dominated, and Under Western Skies shows the strong connection each garden has with its place. Packed with Atkinson’s stunning photographs and illuminated by Jewell’s deep interest in the relationships between people and the spaces they inhabit, Under Western Skies offers page after page of encouraging ingenuity and inventive design for passionate gardeners who call the West home.

“The wonderful cathedral of Notre-Dame de Paris, one of the greatest achievements of European civilization, was on fire. The sight dazed and disturbed us profoundly. I was on the edge of tears. Something priceless was dying in front of our eyes. The feeling was bewildering, as if the earth was shaking.” —Ken Follett “[A] treasure of a book.” —The New Yorker In this short, spellbinding book, international bestselling author Ken Follett describes the emotions that gripped him when he learned about the fire that threatened to destroy one of the greatest cathedrals in the world—the Notre-Dame de Paris. Follett then tells the story of the cathedral, from its construction to the role it has played across time and history, and he reveals the influence that the Notre-Dame had upon cathedrals around the world and on the writing of one of Follett’s most famous and beloved novels, The Pillars of the Earth. Ken Follett will donate his proceeds from this book to the charity La Fondation du Patrimoine.

Pillars of Eternity (original working title Project Eternity) is an upcoming old-school fantasy role-playing video game from Obsidian Entertainment. It is notable for its crowd funding campaign, which raised £3,986,929, at the time the highest funded crowd sourced video game on Kickstarter. The game will be released in 2015. Packed with never-before-seen art and in-depth lore, this is the definitive exploration of the acclaimed new video game, Pillars of Eternity, from Obsidian Entertainment!

Computer role-playing games (CRPGs) are a special genre of computer games that bring the tabletop role-playing experience of games such as Dungeons & Dragons to the computer screen. This new edition includes two new chapters: The Modern Age, and a chapter on Indies and Mobile CRPGs. The new modern age chapter will cover, among other topics, Kickstarter/FIG crowdfunded projects such as Torment: Tides of Numenera and Pillars of Eternity. It’ll also bring the book up to date with major games such as Dragon Age, Witcher, Skyrim. Expanded info in first chapter about educational potential of CRPGs. Color figures will be introduced for the first time. Key Features gives reviews of hundreds of games across many platforms. comprehensive book covering the history of computer RPGs. comprehensive index at the back, letting you quickly look up your favourite titles

A woman kidnapped by bandits. A mercenary sent alone to rescue her. Time is running out, the odds are against him and he must play a dangerous game to survive...High up in the fells, a mercenary called Valguard pits himself against a band of vicious thieves and seemingly impossible odds on a daring night-time raid on a remote, fortified stronghold to rescue a hostage. Meanwhile, his employer, The Duke, waits at the border for news of the mission. Will he outwit the ruthless group of over twenty bandits known as The Cutters? Or has his luck ran out and this time he has sent his friend to a very bloody death?The first Valguard book and prologue to the forthcoming novel 'Ten of Swords'

Veteran video game designer Dustin Hansen takes readers on a fun and fascinating trip through the brief but intensely innovative history of video games in Game On!

We thought we had gone through the topic in the first volume, those two games opened new pists of reflexions. The in-depth analysis of Hidetaka Miyazaki's Dark Souls saga continues with this volume 2, decoding the Bloodborne and Dark Souls III episodes. An indispensale ebook for all the fans of the game Dark Souls ! EXTRACT The project, christened Project Beast, began soon after the Astorias of the Abyss DLC was released in August 2012. At the time, FromSoftware was also beginning to build Dark Souls II, its cash cow. Miyazaki kept his distance from this sequel, which was handed off to Tomohiro Shibuya and Yui Tanimura, with support from the FromSoftware president and creator of King's Field, Naotoshi Zin, who supervised the game system. On his end, Hidetaka Miyazaki formed a trusted team of regular collaborators, such as lead programmer Jun Itô (who had already filled this role for Demon's Souls and Dark Souls), composer and lead sound designer Tsukasa Saitô (Armored Core games), and most of his regular artists: Daisuke Satake, Masanori Waragai and Hiroshi Nakamura. The success of Demon's Souls, and the even greater success of Dark Souls, allowed FromSoftware to grow its ranks significantly. In total, no fewer than fifty programmers participated in the project, along with around twenty game system designers and fifty people working on visual creation (animation, scenery, characters, etc.). Thanks to financial support from Sony, many Japanese, Chinese and Taiwanese studios were sub-contracted during the production to help with graphics and visuals. ABOUT THE AUTHORS Passionate about films and video games, Damien Mecheri joined the writers team of Gameplay RPG in 2004, writing several articles for the second special edition on the Final Fantasy saga. He continued his work with the team in another publication called Background, before continuing the online adventure in 2008 with the site Gameweb.fr. Since 2011, he has come aboard Third Éditions with Mehdi El Kanafi and Nicolas Courcier, the publisher's two founders. Damien is also the author of the book Video Game Music: a History of Gaming Music. For Third Éditions, he is actively working on the "Level Up" and "Année jeu vidéo" collections. He has also written or co-written several works from the same publisher: The Legend of Final Fantasy X, Welcome to Silent Hill: a journey into Hell, The Works of Fumito Ueda: a Different Perspective on Video

Games and, of course, the first volume of *Dark Souls: Beyond the Grave*. Curious by nature, a dreamer against the grain and a chronic ranter, Sylvain Romieu is also a passionate traveler of the real and the unreal, the world and the virtual universes, always in search of enriching discoveries and varied cultures. A developer by trade, he took up his modest pen several years ago to study the characteristics and richness of the marvelously creative world of video games. He writes for a French video game site called *Chroniques-Ludiques*, particularly on the topic of RPGs, his preferred genre. Reviews over 400 seminal games from 1975 to 2015. Each entry shares articles on the genre, mod suggestions and hints on how to run the games on modern hardware.

An exploration of how design might be led by marginalized communities, dismantle structural inequality, and advance collective liberation and ecological survival. What is the relationship between design, power, and social justice? “Design justice” is an approach to design that is led by marginalized communities and that aims explicitly to challenge, rather than reproduce, structural inequalities. It has emerged from a growing community of designers in various fields who work closely with social movements and community-based organizations around the world. This book explores the theory and practice of design justice, demonstrates how universalist design principles and practices erase certain groups of people—specifically, those who are intersectionally disadvantaged or multiply burdened under the matrix of domination (white supremacist heteropatriarchy, ableism, capitalism, and settler colonialism)—and invites readers to “build a better world, a world where many worlds fit; linked worlds of collective liberation and ecological sustainability.” Along the way, the book documents a multitude of real-world community-led design practices, each grounded in a particular social movement. *Design Justice* goes beyond recent calls for design for good, user-centered design, and employment diversity in the technology and design professions; it connects design to larger struggles for collective liberation and ecological survival.

Hope County Needs You! Premium Hardcover Book: A must-have for any fan of *Far Cry 5*. World Map Poster: Every collectible, hunting ground, fishing spot, and point of interest in the game marked and cataloged for quick and easy reference! Bonus Art and Interviews Section: A showcase of art and concepts highlighted with interviews from the development team. Complete Walkthrough: Full coverage of all of the missions in the game! Detailed Location Maps: Illustrated with strategic infiltration points, important items, and more! Free Mobile-Friendly eGuide: Includes a code to access the eGuide, a web-access version of the complete guide optimized for a second-screen experience.

From the concert stage to the dressing room, from the recording studio to the digital realm, *SPIN* surveys the modern musical landscape and the culture around it with authoritative reporting, provocative interviews, and a discerning critical ear. With dynamic photography, bold graphic design, and informed irreverence, the pages of *SPIN* pulsate with the

energy of today's most innovative sounds. Whether covering what's new or what's next, SPIN is your monthly VIP pass to all that rocks.

Corporia is a 208-page tabletop role-playing game of genre-bending fiction and futuristic urban fantasy. In Corporia, you take on the roles of reborn Knights of the Round Table or their supernaturally-powered allies, fighting an invisible war for justice in the struggle between otherworldly Chaos magics and the oppressive Order of the ruling mega-corporations! Corporia is 'knights in shining Armani.' It's what happens when you mix Camelot with a spoonful of Torchwood, add a pinch of cyberpunk, a dash of Joss Whedon's Angel, and a sprinkling of Shadowrun. If you enjoy these, you're going to love Corporia. Highlights One simple, unified game mechanic for all abilities, including fighting, spellcasting, and hacking! All characters can join the Hacker in virtual conflicts; no one gets left out! Spellcasters can cast whatever they can imagine, limited only by their skill rank in any of eight schools of magic - and all 64 sample spells can be easily modified at will! Four personality traits (three public, one private) keep situations interesting and provide points for permanent and temporary improvements, supplementing the core dice mechanics without becoming the main aspects of the rules! Metal melee weapons are more effective against monsters than firearms, keeping swords and daggers relevant even in a future of X-Calibre energy pistols and glowing raypiers! An innovative, modern design style in a book full of page-turning concepts!

#1 New York Times Bestseller Oprah's Book Club Selection The “extraordinary . . . monumental masterpiece” (Booklist) that changed the course of Ken Follett’s already phenomenal career—and begins where its prequel, *The Evening and the Morning*, ended. “Follett risks all and comes out a clear winner,” extolled *Publishers Weekly* on the release of *The Pillars of the Earth*. A departure for the bestselling thriller writer, the historical epic stunned readers and critics alike with its ambitious scope and gripping humanity. Today, it stands as a testament to Follett’s unassailable command of the written word and to his universal appeal. *The Pillars of the Earth* tells the story of Philip, prior of Kingsbridge, a devout and resourceful monk driven to build the greatest Gothic cathedral the world has known . . . of Tom, the mason who becomes his architect—a man divided in his soul . . . of the beautiful, elusive Lady Aliena, haunted by a secret shame . . . and of a struggle between good and evil that will turn church against state and brother against brother. A spellbinding epic tale of ambition, anarchy, and absolute power set against the sprawling medieval canvas of twelfth-century England, this is Ken Follett’s historical masterpiece.

IN THIS GUIDE: 27"x27" map poster, art gallery, detailed world atlas, quest walkthroughs, skill tree recommendations, and complete coverage of new modes, boss strategies, and enemy tactics! This 320-page hardcover Collector's Edition guide features a large, full-color map of the Summerset Isles, labeled with every important location. Explore the newest

Chapter in The Elder Scrolls® Online with the detailed maps, quest guides, and expert combat tactics within! 27" x 27" Map Poster: Thoroughly labeled with all important locales and resources. Art Gallery: Striking images of the new Chapter. Foreword from the Developer: A message to fans. An Atlas of Summerset: Every major point of interest is called out and cataloged for your reference. Use our detailed print maps and our digital interactive maps to expertly navigate the isles! Character Builds: Hints and advice on choosing skills and constructing effective characters for your adventures. Crafting and Armor: Customize your appearance and stats with crafting guides and details on new armor sets. New Stories and Quests: Maps with walkthroughs that pinpoint and describe how to complete all of the new quests and storylines contained in this expansion. PLUS: Complete coverage of Delves, Dungeons, Trials, and more! Digital Bonus: Unlock your digital version of this guide with the free code included inside. Access your digital guide anytime, anywhere, on any web-enabled device.

It's here! The creator of Fairy Tail, manga superstar Hiro Mashima, is back with a high-flying space adventure! All the steadfast friendship, crazy fighting, and blue cats you've come to expect... IN SPACE! A young boy gazes up at the sky and sees a streaming bolt of light. The friendly, armor-clad being at his side tells him gently, "That's a dragon." The fact that he's joking isn't important. What's important is the look of wonder on the boy's face... and the galaxy-spanning adventure that's about to take place! Join Hiro Mashima (Fairy Tail, Rave Master) once more as he takes to the stars for another thrilling saga!

Seven stunning stories of speculative fiction by the author of A Boy and His Dog. In a post-apocalyptic world, four men and one woman are all that remain of the human race, brought to near extinction by an artificial intelligence. Programmed to wage war on behalf of its creators, the AI became self-aware and turned against humanity. The five survivors are prisoners, kept alive and subjected to brutal torture by the hateful and sadistic machine in an endless cycle of violence. This story and six more groundbreaking and inventive tales that probe the depths of mortal experience prove why Grand Master of Science Fiction Harlan Ellison has earned the many accolades to his credit and remains one of the most original voices in American literature. I Have No Mouth and I Must Scream also includes "Big Sam Was My Friend," "Eyes of Dust," "World of the Myth," "Lonelyache," Hugo Award finalist "Delusion for a Dragon Slayer," and Hugo and Nebula Award finalist "Pretty Maggie Moneyeyes."

"The game takes place in the fantasy world of Eora, mainly inside the nation of Dyrwood. The infants in Dyrwood are plagued by a recent phenomenon in which they become "hollowborn" upon birth, meaning they are born with no soul. During the beginning of the game, the protagonist experiences an awakening of power due to a disastrous supernatural event, discovering they are a "Watcher": a person who can see souls and past lives. The objective of the game is to find

out what caused their awakening and how to solve the hollowborn problem."--Wikipedia.

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- Exclusive maps detailing the New Vegas world!
- Complete coverage of every main mission adventure as well as all side quests and encounters.
- Every collectible catalogued and located so you won't miss any.
- Huge pull out poster map of the huge New Vegas landscape with points of interest, main sights, and major landmarks labeled.
- Hardcover collector's edition!

Spells and prophecies sew havoc in the fight for humankind in the 4th novel of the #1 New York Times bestselling author's epic fantasy series. Having taken his rightful place as Lord Rahl, ruler of D'Hara, Richard must once again postpone his wedding to Kahlan Amnell in order to face the fearsome Imperial Order in a fight for the New World and the freedom of humankind. But while Richard has the brave people of D'Hara at his command, Emperor Jagang of the Imperial Order has a significant advantage: he doesn't fight fair. Jagang invokes a prophecy that binds Richard and Kahlan to a fate of pain, betrayal, and a path to the Underworld. At Jagang's behest, a Sister of the Dark gains access into the fabled Temple of the Winds and unleashes a plague that sweeps across the lands like a firestorm. To stop the plague, Richard and Kahlan must risk everything they have—and everything they've hoped for.

Are you looking for detailed information about walkthroughs, quests, skills and abilities in order to step up your game? Then this guide book is for you! This unofficial Divinity: Original Sin 2 Strategy Guide provides fans and newcomers with a good introduction to the game as well as many useful advice during this journey. Divinity: Original Sin 2 is a single-player and cooperative multiplayer fantasy RPG with tactical turn-based combat, and a highly interactive world. The story is set far into the future, years after the events of Divinity: Original Sin. Sourcerers are now declared criminals by Bishop Alexander, and those suspected of having Source powers are hunted and purged of their powers. To save yourself, you'll be traveling through dangerous lands, majestic cities, lost temples, searching for a way to defeat Alexander, discovering that the only way lies deep within yourself... This game guide includes: - Introduction - Walkthrough - Quests - Classes - Races - Skills and Abilities - Talents - Creating the Strongest Character - How to Steal Without Consequence - Quests You Shouldn't Skip - Tips for Beginners - Tips and Tricks So grab your copy today and enjoy playing the game!

Enjoy exotic 'postwar' images of Power Armor, Deathclaws, and more - each suitable for hanging above your bunk in Sanctuary Hills with the Minutemen or in your quarters at the mysterious Institute. Every piece is printed on sturdy gallery quality stock and coated with a gloss varnish to protect and showcase the art. Whether you're a casual fan of amazing art, or a grizzled wasteland wanderer, this poster book is sure to be a valued addition to your settlement.

The official guide to Valve Corporation's Xbox 360 video game. The guide follows a new concept: the solution only gives



away as much as the player wants to know. Thanks to a multi-layered walkthrough consisting of different levels of information, the guide lets players decide for themselves how much help they receive. From just a small hint right up to a complete solution -- everything is there. This guarantees a maximized gaming experience. Also included are an interview with the game's producers, previously unpublished concept drawings and artwork from Portal and Portal 2, and a comprehensive section on Trophies/Achievements, for all of those who wish to fully master the game.

Master the hunt and forge your legend! Dauntless is a fresh take on the action-RPG genre, developed by industry veterans from Riot Games, BioWare, and other acclaimed studios. After a cataclysmic event, mankind survives in a harsh, yet majestic world of floating islands. Ferocious beasts known as Behemoths now stalk the earth. You are a Slayer, an elite warrior who risks life and limb hunting the Behemoth threat. On your journey, you'll forge an extraordinary arsenal of weapons and gear to overcome formidable challenges threatening our survival. Now, you have a unique opportunity to witness the creation of this magnificent epic like never before. Dark Horse Books and Phoenix Labs are thrilled to present the most intimate look at the development of the game with *The Art of Dauntless*, a meticulously curated tome full of hundreds of pieces of concept art each paired with exclusive commentary from the team that created it. You won't want to miss this unique opportunity to experience the Shattered Isles in a whole new way!

Do you have a real relationship with God, or do you just have a religion? Do you know God, or do you just know about God? In *How Big Is Your God?* Paul Coutinho, SJ, challenges us to grow stronger and deeper in our faith and in our relationship with God—a God whose love knows no bounds. To help us on our way, Coutinho introduces us to people in various world religions—from Hindu friends to Buddhist teachers to St. Ignatius of Loyola—who have shaped his spiritual life and made possible his deep, personal relationship with God.

With *Broken Age*, adventure gaming auteur Tim Schafer returned for the first time in 16 years to the genre that he helped create, and after a historic, record-breaking crowdfunding campaign, the full adventure is here in all its beautiful, hand-painted glory! Now, Dark Horse Books is proud to partner with Double Fine Productions to offer an intimate look into the worlds of *Broken Age*! Featuring hundreds of pieces of art, and commentary from the notable voices of director Tim Schafer, lead artist Nathan "Bagel" Stapley, concept artists Peter Chan and Scott Campbell, art director Lee Petty, and more!

Mantle or Mays? A-Rod or Jeter? Biggio or Morgan? Clemens, Maddux, and Randy Johnson -- or Pedro, Palmer, and Carlton? These are questions baseball fans can spend endless hours debating. Former All-Star pitcher and National League Manager of the Year Larry Dierker has his own opinions, and he shares them in *My Team*, his fascinating discussion of the greatest players he has seen in his four decades in the major leagues. Dierker selects twenty-five

players for My Team and another twenty-five for the opposition, the Underdogs, or "Dogs." There are two players at each position, five starting pitchers, and four relievers. (When your starters are the likes of Roger Clemens, Greg Maddux, Bob Gibson, Tom Seaver, Nolan Ryan, and Juan Marichal, you don't worry about bullpen depth.) All are players that Dierker has played with or against or watched in his years as player, coach, manager, and commentator. Each athlete must have played at least ten years in the major leagues to qualify, and players are judged on their ten best seasons. Leadership skills and personality -- critical components of team chemistry -- are highly valued. So how is it possible to select two teams composed of outstanding ballplayers from the past forty years and not have room for Sandy Koufax, Reggie Jackson, Carl Yastrzemski, or Cal Ripken Jr.? Dierker explains his choices, analyzing each position carefully, always putting the team ahead of the individual player. He provides statistics to back up his selections, and often relates personal anecdotes about the players. (From his first All-Star Game in 1969, Dierker offers a wonderful anecdote about Hank Aaron, by then an All-Star veteran.) My Team may start more debates than it settles, but Dierker's insights, and his passion for the game, will enlighten and fascinate true baseball fans.

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