

## The Secret Race Inside The Hidden World Of The Tour De France Doping Cover Ups And Winning At All Costs

You have found the key to the secret garden, now open the gates and marvel at the uniqueness of each plant and flower petal! Shower these flowers with colors and try to understand how individual lines and forms create unique patterns that deserve your focus and attention. So what are you waiting for? Secure a copy of this coloring book today!

**\*\*Winner - Sweetspot Cycling Book of the Year\*\*** For 11 years I was a professional cyclist, competing in the hardest and greatest races on Earth. I was in demand from the world's best teams, a well-paid elite athlete. But I never won a race. I was the hired help. When my mum dropped me off in a small French town aged 17, I was full of determination to be a professional cyclist, but I was completely green. I went from mowing the team manager's lawn to winning every amateur race I entered. Then I turned pro and realised I hated the responsibility and pressure of chasing victory. And that's when I became a domestique. I learned to take that hurt and give it everything I had to give, all for someone else's win. When the order came in to ride I pushed out with the hardest rhythm I could, dragging the group faster and faster, until my whole body screamed with pain. There were times I rode myself to a standstill, clutching the barrier metres from the line, as the lead group shot past. But that's what made me so good at my job. As my career took off, I started looking at the fans lining the route, cheering us like heroes. The passion for cycling oozed off them, but they couldn't know what it was really like. They didn't see the terrible hotels, the crazy egos or all the shit that goes with great expectations. Well, this is how it is...

"A vivid portrait of life as a professional cyclist by international champion David Millar, this arrestingly candid memoir follows his rise as a young racing star, his fall to the pervasive influence of performance-enhancing drugs--and his subsequent redemption"--

Offers ninety-two humorous and insightful rules of cycling, from tips on what gear to use and how to enforce proper road etiquette as well as stories from the sport's legendary figures.

**WINNER OF THE WILLIAM HILL SPORTS BOOK OF THE YEAR AWARD** On a fateful night in 2009, Tyler Hamilton and Daniel Coyle met for dinner in Boulder, Colorado. Over the next eighteen months, Hamilton would tell Coyle his story, and his sport's story, in explosive detail, never sparing himself in the process. In a way, he became as obsessed with telling the truth as he had been with winning the Tour de France just a few years before. The truth would set Tyler free, but would also be the most damning indictment yet of teammates like Lance Armstrong. The result of this determination is *The Secret Race*, a book that pulls back the curtain and takes us into the secret world of professional cycling like never before. A world populated by unbelievably driven and some flawed characters. A world where the competition used every means to get an edge, and the options were stark. A world where it often felt like there was no choice.

Every April, up to a million fans line the streets of Flanders to watch one of cycling's most exciting and dangerous one-day races: the Ronde. Flanders is cycling's heartland, and the sport's followers there are among cycling's most knowledgeable. The race is characterised by a series of short, steep narrow climbs, often over slippery cobbles that can soon send the unwary cyclist tumbling. Despite the race's huge popularity, there is no proper English language book on the story of the Ronde, but here Pickering fills that void. He explains how the Ronde is inseparable from its landscape, and from the people who line the route. He not only provides a stunning, in-depth account of the race itself, but assesses its history and how it has come to form such a vital part of Flemish identity. He will also reveal why this is such a tough race to master, one that has been targeted by the seemingly all-conquering Team Sky, but yet still remains beyond their reach. This is a book about cycling in its purest, most compelling form.

Who is *The Secret Cyclist* and why all the secrecy? "Every public aspect of our lives is so tightly controlled that being truly honest is all but impossible in a newspaper interview, never mind a whole book. You try write a warts-and-all blog about your office. Question how the business is run, make sure you remember to call your boss a moron, and then tell me how it goes." He's ridden for World Tour teams for ten years. He's achieved top ten finishes in Grand Tours. He likes coffee. These are just a few details about the professional rider who wants you to know what the view looks like from the centre of the peloton. What do the riders really make of Team Sky? How does the pay structure work? Why should you never trust a kit endorsement from a professional? Is doping still an issue? *The Secret Cyclist* tackles the big questions head-on, revealing a side to cycling that fans have never seen before.

Kate is sent to Monaco to interview media-beloved F1 racer Cristiano. The two are passionately attracted to each other moments after meeting, and they become tied together in both heart and body. But during his race the next day, Cristiano gets into a terrible accident and is gravely injured. Just like that, she never hears from him again. Kate cries, believing that to him she was merely a one-night plaything. Four years later, they are reunited, and he looks at her with a puzzled expression and says, "Who are you? I don't remember what happened that night." Now that she knows he had amnesia, Kate is unsure whether she should reveal to him the big secret she's been hiding all this time...

*The Secret Race* Inside the Hidden World of the Tour de France Bantam

When Emma O'Reilly joined the US Postal cycling team in 1996, she could have had no idea how she would become a central figure in the biggest doping scandal in sporting history. Yet when Lance Armstrong, starting his comeback from cancer, signed for US Postal, it was Emma, the only woman on the team, who became his personal soigneur. This is the definitive inside story of that time, and of the enormous repercussions that resonate to this day for Emma, Lance and the whole sport. Emma had the strength to break cycling's omerta by speaking out against the culture of doping. She thought she would be one of many whistleblowers, doing what she believed was right. Isolated and shunned by the sport she loved, however, her reputation was systematically destroyed. And yet she had the courage to bounce back, and remarkably, to forgive those who made her existence a living hell.

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This is the ultimate memoir of truth and its many consequences.

THE Translation of this venerable Piece of Antiquity is undertaken upon a double Score; being designed as well to entertain the Curiosity of the Learned, as to supply the Defects of the Ignorant. If the original Language would have been more acceptable to the one, it would have been less intelligible to the other. I cannot, without uttering a Falsity, venture to affirm that so singular and valuable a Piece will be made Public, at least as yet: And in the mean Time I shall flatter myself, that this little Essay may contribute in some sort or other to the diversion, if not Instruction, of People in every Condition of Life. If this is well received, the other Parts will make their Appearance at proper Distances of Time. I publish no more at present, because I would not be thought to impose too much upon any one's Patience; as for losing my own Labour, I am under no bad Apprehensions about that; for the Reader cannot reject with a greater Disdain, than I have translated with Pleasure, the Contents of this Book.

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A once top-ranked cyclist chronicles his downfall after testing positive for doping after winning gold at the 2004 Olympics while also addressing the practice's pervasiveness in the sport and his relationship with Lance Armstrong.

Trading on the sterling reputation that enabled him to survive a widely publicized doping confession, American cyclist "Big George" Hincapie—a record seventeen-time Tour de France participant, Olympian, and key witness in the Lance Armstrong doping case—offers an insightful account of his esteemed career and a sports era defined by performance-enhancing drug use. In this highly anticipated cycling memoir, Big George Hincapie provides the most comprehensive account of a dark period in professional cycling, in which doping scandals have decimated the careers of some of the top athletes in the field. The Loyal Lieutenant reveals how Hincapie's life has been intrinsically tied to the sport he loves, from his earliest days in Queens, where he was influenced by his Colombian father's love of cycling and the Colombian "cycling warrior" archetype. Hincapie takes us through his amateur years to the Olympics, and chronicles his exhilarating ride as a professional, including finding his true calling as Lance Armstrong's most prized "domestique"—leading his then best friend to seven straight Tour de France victories. Hincapie speaks openly about his relationship with Armstrong, how he himself began doping, and why he quit long before the headline-making revelations. His personal evolution is the journey of a man dedicated to coming clean about his past and to restore honor to the sport he loves.

Fabulous piece of writing. It is really quite astounding that Machen is largely forgotten as a writer. In *The Secret Glory*, I particularly loved Machen's satirical social comments about the class system, Christian hypocrisy and the sadistic puritanism of English Public Schools. This isn't always an easy book to read but it is very rewarding, and after reading, like the best literary works, carves out a place for itself in one's psyche. (M.J. Johnson)

Reproduction of the original: *An Old Chester Secret* by Margaret Deland

Upton Sinclair, one of America's foremost and most prolific authors, addresses the cultivation of the mind and the body in this 1922 volume. Sinclair's goal was to attempt to tell the reader how to live, how to find health, happiness and success, and how to develop fully both the mind and the body. Part One: *The Book of the Mind* covers such subjects as faith, reason, morality, and the subconscious. Part Two: *The Book of the Body* develops such subjects as errors in diet, the fasting cure, food and poisons, work and play, and diseases and their cures .

Johan Bruyneel knows what it takes to win. In 1998, this calculating Belgian and former professional cyclist looked Lance Armstrong in the eye and said, "Look, if we're going to ride the Tour, we might as well win." In that powerful phrase a dynasty was born. *We Might As Well Win* takes readers behind the scenes and inside the team car, as Bruyneel reveals the planning, training, strategy, and tactics that led to a record seven Tour de France victories with Armstrong and an eighth with Alberto Contador. Through thrilling stories of his own racing career and those of the cyclists he has guided during his extraordinary career, Bruyneel reveals the keys to victory both in cycling and in life. This paperback edition includes a new afterword on the 2008 season, with Bruyneel's reflections on his record eleventh grand tour victory at the Giro d'Italia and the exclusion of his team Astana from the 2008 Tour de France.

Two people driven to win. Only one can claim the prize. She's a sprint car racer driven by secrets. He's the man who must uncover them on national TV. *Slide Job*: A dirty move in which a race driver skids his/her car sideways in front of another car to steal a position. Sprint car driver Morgan Blade is willing to do anything to help save her critically ill father, even become a contestant on a new TV racing reality show. But once the cameras start rolling, she realizes the cost of the prize money. If the show's sexy producer has his way, her most heartbreaking secrets will be revealed to a worldwide audience. Secrets are Tyler Dalton's business. Forced to produce one more reality show to fulfill his contract, he can't wait to get it over with and move on with his life. However, part of who he is means giving it his best. In reality TV, controversy drives ratings. So despite a combustible attraction to his star, Tyler must unveil the secrets beneath Morgan's fiery faade. But when she becomes more than just another contestant ... will he go for the slide job, even if it means losing her?

"Love your neighbor like yourself" is a divine recommendation which too often takes just the opposite way in the midst of the human community. Unfortunately, this fact is observed across every race and religion in this earth. At different levels of course, we tend to behave like crabs toward our fellow men. It means that we are hypocrites, wicked, envious, insincere, jealous, hateful; all this, just for selfish reasons. Let us love one another like he has loved us. This is the key to peaceful and loving cohabitation.

This is the antidote against this social and spiritual cancer.

Are you awed by the smell of flowers or the busy buzz of the bees? Are you awed by the all of the snow or the rustle of the trees? In *The Book of Awe*, readers are reminded to take a minute and see the beauty in the everyday things around them.

The zodiac race is starting soon! Henri the Horse wants to win the race, but he lives really far away. Will he make it there in time? In addition to climbing tall mountains and entering dark forests, he will also have to make it across a scorching desert! Will he get lost? Join Henri's adventure to see how he uses his knowledge and wits to meet every challenge! Little readers will find out about how Henri the Horse claimed his Zodiac sign, and also learn the order in which all the zodiac animals were placed in the race. W C Jefferson's charming rhymes and T F Wister's whimsical drawings bring to life a new version of an ancient tale of how the 12 animals of the Chinese Zodiac came to have a year named after them.

Lance Armstrong's War is the extraordinary story of greatness pushed to its limits; a vivid, behind-the-scenes portrait of perhaps the most accomplished athlete of our time as he vies for a historic sixth straight victory in the toughest sporting event on the

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planet. It is the true story of a superlative sports figure fighting on all fronts—made newly vulnerable by age, fate, fame, doping allegations, a painful divorce, and an unprecedented army of challengers—while mastering the exceedingly difficult trick of being Lance Armstrong, a combination of world-class athlete, celebrity, regular guy, and, for many Americans, secular saint. With a new afterword by the author, featuring in-depth reporting on: Armstrong's unprecedented seventh consecutive Tour de France victory New blood doping allegations Armstrong's continuing personal and legal battles, and his retirement A fascinating journey through the little-known landscape of professional bike racing, Lance Armstrong's War provides a hugely insightful look into the often inspiring, always surprising core of a remarkable athlete and the world that shapes him.

Even the biggest cycling fan can one day wake up to find that he has lost his faith Bad Blood is the story of Jeremy Whittle's journey from unquestioning fan to Tour de France insider and confirmed sceptic. It's about broken friendships and a sport divided; about having to choose sides in the war against doping; about how galloping greed and corporate opportunism have led the Tour de France to the brink of destruction. Part personal memoir, part devastating exposé of a sport torn apart by drugs and scandal, Bad Blood is a love letter to one man's past, and a warning to cycling's future. 'Whatever you think about doping, you must read this book ... Well-balanced, considered, compelling' Rouleur Shortlisted for the 2008 William Hill Sports Book of the Year

----- On 8 July 1998 Festina team soigneur Willy Voet was stopped by the police. In his car were the drugs the team needed if they were to have any chance of playing a competitive part in the 1998 Tour de France. The car was searched, he was immediately arrested and so the story that has been undermining the sport of cycling since the death of Tommy Simpson in 1967, finally broke. Imprisoned for sixteen days, sacked from the Festina team and ostracised from the sport to which he had dedicated his life, Willy Voet at last was able to tell the truth. His sensational story will change cycling forever. Cocaine, amphetamines, EPO, heroin - all these are now considered not optional but necessary, not to win but just to compete in the Tour de France. Details of how these drugs are obtained, mixed together to make cocktails, administered and concealed are all included in this graphic and uninhibited account of how drugs brought cycling to its knees.

The definitive account of Lance Armstrong's spectacular rise and fall. In June 2013, when Lance Armstrong fled his palatial home in Texas, downsizing in the face of multimillion-dollar lawsuits, Juliet Macur was there—talking to his girlfriend and children and listening to Armstrong's version of the truth. She was one of the few media members aside from Oprah Winfrey to be granted extended one-on-one access to the most famous pariah in sports. At the center of Cycle of Lies is Armstrong himself, revealed through face-to-face interviews. But this unfolding narrative is given depth and breadth by the firsthand accounts of more than one hundred witnesses, including family members whom Armstrong had long since turned his back on—the adoptive father who gave him the Armstrong name, a grandmother, an aunt. Perhaps most damning of all is the taped testimony of the late J.T. Neal, the most influential of Armstrong's many father figures, recorded in the final years of Neal's life as he lost his battle with cancer just as Armstrong gained fame for surviving the disease. In the end, it was Armstrong's former friends, those who had once occupied the precious space of his inner circle, who betrayed him. They were the ones who dealt Armstrong his fatal blow by breaking the code of silence that shielded the public from the grim truth about the sport of cycling—and the grim truth about its golden boy, Armstrong. Threading together the vivid and disparate voices of those with intimate knowledge of the private and public Armstrong, Macur weaves a comprehensive and unforgettably rich tapestry of one man's astonishing rise to global fame and fortune and his devastating fall from grace.

The first in-depth look at Lance Armstrong's doping scandal, the phenomenal business success built on the back of fraud, and the greatest conspiracy in the history of sports Lance Armstrong won a record-smashing seven Tours de France after staring down cancer, and in the process became an international symbol of resilience and courage. In a sport constantly dogged by blood-doping scandals, he seemed above the fray. Then, in January 2013, the legend imploded. He admitted doping during the Tours and, in an interview with Oprah, described his "mythic, perfect story" as "one big lie." But his admission raised more questions than it answered—because he didn't say who had helped him dope or how he skillfully avoided getting caught. The Wall Street Journal reporters Reed Albergotti and Vanessa O'Connell broke the news at every turn. In Wheelmen they reveal the broader story of how Armstrong and his supporters used money, power, and cutting-edge science to conquer the world's most difficult race. Wheelmen introduces U.S. Postal Service Team owner Thom Weisel, who in a brazen power play ousted USA Cycling's top leadership and gained control of the sport in the United States, ensuring Armstrong's dominance. Meanwhile, sponsors fought over contracts with Armstrong as the entire sport of cycling began to benefit from the "Lance effect." What had been a quirky, working-class hobby became the pastime of the Masters of the Universe set. Wheelmen offers a riveting look at what happens when enigmatic genius breaks loose from the strictures of morality. It reveals the competitiveness and ingenuity that sparked blood-doping as an accepted practice, and shows how the Americans methodically constructed an international operation of spies and revolutionary technology to reach the top. It went on to become a New York Times Bestseller, a Wall Street Journal Business Bestseller, and win numerous awards, including a Gold Medal for the Axiom Business Book Awards. At last exposing the truth about Armstrong and American cycling, Wheelmen paints a living portrait of what is, without question, the greatest conspiracy in the history of sports.

A look into the world of professional cycling as seen by a teammate of Lance Armstrong.

Sy Middleton, a teenager living in Manhattan, enters a secret world when he is initiated into Earth-tribe and becomes a Triber. In the Middle Realm, Tribers from Earth-, Fire-, Air- and Water-tribe train to enhance their powers and compete in monthly Lunar Festivals. The Zodiac Council has protected the Lower and Middle Realms from the Darkforce for thousands of years, but the balance of power has shifted, placing humanity at risk. The Darkforce has stolen the Book of Dreams. Sy and his friend Joshua Ryderson embark on a quest to find it...

"The holy grail for disillusioned cycling fans . . . The book's power is in the collective details, all strung together in a story that is told with such clear-eyed conviction that you never doubt its veracity. . . . The Secret Race isn't just a game changer for the Lance Armstrong myth. It's the game ender."—Outside NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • WINNER OF THE WILLIAM HILL SPORTS BOOK OF THE YEAR AWARD The Secret Race is the book that rocked the world of professional cycling—and exposed, at long last, the doping culture surrounding the sport and its most iconic rider, Lance Armstrong. Former Olympic gold medalist Tyler Hamilton was once one of the world's top-ranked cyclists—and a member of Lance Armstrong's inner circle. Over the course of two years, New York Times bestselling author Daniel Coyle conducted more than two hundred hours of interviews with Hamilton and spoke with numerous teammates, rivals, and friends. The result is an explosive page-turner of a book that takes us deep inside a shadowy, fascinating, and surreal world of unscrupulous doctors, anything-goes team directors, and athletes so relentlessly driven to win that they would do almost anything to gain an edge. For the first time, Hamilton recounts his own battle with depression and tells the story of his complicated relationship with Lance Armstrong. This edition features a new Afterword, in which the authors reflect on the developments within the sport, and involving Armstrong, over the past year. The Secret Race is a courageous, groundbreaking act of witness from a man who is as determined to reveal the hard truth about his sport as he once was to win

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the Tour de France. With a new Afterword by the authors. "Loaded with bombshells and revelations."—VeloNews "[An] often harrowing story . . . the broadest, most accessible look at cycling's drug problems to date."—The New York Times " 'If I cheated, how did I get away with it?' That question, posed to SI by Lance Armstrong five years ago, has never been answered more definitively than it is in Tyler Hamilton's new book."—Sports Illustrated "Explosive."—The Daily Telegraph (London)

Vivia is a hag, one of the last of her race, and can die, visit the underworld and return at will. She has a job she loves—helping London's most vulnerable supernaturals, even if her colleague Malcolm drives her round the bend on a daily basis. Then Malcolm is outed as a zombie and, along with his teenage son Ben, flees the police. When Malcolm is captured, he is only able to pass on one message before his dead brain degrades completely: 'He killed me.' As Ben remains missing, the police find decades-old corpses hidden near Malcolm's house, and Vivia begins to realise there's a lot more at stake than just a possible zompocalypse...

This book is more than an overview of race. While it includes haplographic studies and ancestry tracing, there is still a lot that is unknown about who we are as a HUMAN race. The story begins with the first people who lived with dinosaurs and the massive mutations occurring 5 thousand and 10 thousand years ago. Why these happened are important when tracing our ancestry. This study does not cover the near term expansion and massive mixing of races. What it does is look for beginnings and endings. Both suggest mutation, separation, migration, and adaptation in a world that is just a changing as race.

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The new memoir tracing story of cycling since the 1980s, through the eyes of Jonathan Vaughters, founder of team Education First and one of the sport's most towering figures. Jonathan Vaughters' story is the story of modern cycling. From his early years as a keen cyclist in his hometown in Colorado to his unflinching rite of passage as a professional rider with US Postal to his elevation as one of cycling's most resilient, ethical and intelligent team bosses, the highs and lows of his career have mirrored those of the sport itself. Vaughters has had a front-row seat for most of the major events in cycling over the past three decades. He was both a former teammate of Lance and a leading witness against him. And he went on to renounce doping and start the first pro cycling team to dedicate itself to clean riding, which has grown into one of the most successful teams competing today and started a movement that has swept across the sport. This is also not simply a story of races won and lost: Vaughters shows readers how he navigated the complex, international business of building Slipstream into a world-class cycling team. Over the past decade, he has led the sport out of the scandal-plagued Armstrong era. By presenting the world with a team made of talented racers built around a rigorous approach to clean racing, he set a new standard within cycling that has since spread across the peloton. Written from the unique perspective of both a racer and a team manager, *One-Way Ticket* gives the complete story of what it takes to build a winning team and repair the reputation of a sport.

Cycling Book of the Year - Cross British Sports Book Awards When the 'Iron Curtain' descended across Europe, Dieter Wiedemann was a hero of East German sport. A podium finisher in The Peace Race, the Eastern Bloc equivalent of the Tour de France, he was a pin-up for the supremacy of socialism over the 'fascist' West. Unbeknownst to the authorities, however, he had fallen in love with Sylvia Hermann, a girl from the other side of the wall. Socialist doctrine had it that the two of them were 'class enemies', and as a famous athlete Dieter's every move was pored over by the Stasi. Only he abhorred their ideology, and in Sylvia saw his only chance of freedom. Now, playing a deadly game of cat and mouse, he plotted his escape. In 1964 he was delegated, once and once only, to West Germany. Here he was to ride a qualification race for the Tokyo Olympics, but instead committed the most treacherous of all the crimes against socialism. Dieter Wiedemann, sporting icon and Soviet pawn, defected to the other side. Whilst Wiedemann fulfilled his lifetime ambition of racing in the Tour de France, his defection caused a huge scandal. The Stasi sought to 'repatriate' him, with horrific consequences both for him and the family he left behind. Fifty years on, and twenty-five years after the fall of the Berlin Wall, Dieter Wiedemann decided it was time to tell his story. Through his testimony and that of others involved, and through the Stasi file, which has stalked him for half a century, Herbie Sykes uncovers an astonishing tale. It is one of love and betrayal, of the madness at the heart of the cold war, and of the greatest bike race in history.

A journalist describes the struggle of a group of youngsters from a Chicago housing project and their white-collar coaches to triumph in Little League baseball, chronicling their journey from the first practice to the championship game. Reprint.

Alise has uncovered a web of family secrets reading her mother's journals that connect to the lives of those closest to her. Now she has to contend with her new career as Director of Global Charity at TG and the irresistible Tyler Moore, while harboring secrets of her own. Tyler Moore is new in town and wants to make his mark on the world as the new Director of Marketing at TG, but at the same time he wants Alise Addison with a passion he's never known. Tyler becomes engrossed in Alise's life as an old flame from her mother's past returns to exact revenge, while also harboring a secret that threatens a relationship between them. Together Alise and Tyler are about to discover that every family has their secrets and some family secrets should stay hidden. Excerpt: *My Secrets: Book Two in The Secret Series* "You've known about this for weeks! Alise, I trusted you and you lied to me! What else are you keeping from me?" He really didn't want me to answer that question because it was a truckload of secrets. "As a matter of fact you know what don't answer that! You were right. You just like your mother!"

In *My World*, Peter Sagan, one of cycling's greatest riders of all time, gives bike racing fans a glimpse behind the scenes of his cycling life, revealing the full extent of his dedication to competition and determination to win. With four Tour de France points jersey victories, three road race world championships, the 2018 Paris-Roubaix, and multiple spring classics among Sagan's palmares, the world of cycling agrees that this intense yet fun-loving rider is among the most dominant and fun-to-watch riders of his generation. Inside *My World*, Sagan discusses his relationship with fellow riders, his heroes, and how he copes with the expectation of success. He also shares technical details about his preparation, dissects the art of the sprint, and analyzes the tactics that play out during a fiercely competitive stage or race.

The basis for the upcoming major motion picture *The Program* directed by Stephen Frears (*High Fidelity*, *The Queen*, *Philomena*), starring Chris O'Dowd as journalist David Walsh and Ben Foster as Lance Armstrong. When Lance Armstrong won his first Tour de France in 1999, the sports world had found a charismatic new idol. Journalist David Walsh was among a small group covering the tour who suspected Armstrong's win wasn't the feel-good story it seemed to be. From that first moment of doubt, the next thirteen years of Walsh's life would be focused on seeking the answers to a series of hard questions about Armstrong's astonishing success. As Walsh delved ever deeper into the shadow world of performance-enhancing drugs in professional athletics, he accumulated a mounting pile of evidence that led a furious Armstrong to take legal action against him. But he could not make Walsh—or the story—go away, and in the autumn of 2012, Walsh was vindicated when the cyclist was stripped of his seven Tour de France titles. With this remarkable book, Walsh has produced both the definitive account of the Armstrong scandal, and a testament to the importance of journalists who are willing to report a difficult truth over a popular fantasy.

The world's most challenging athletic endeavour is also one of the biggest and most popular annual sports events in the world. The 2005

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race witnessed Texan Lance Armstrong clinch his seventh Tour de France victory - something that no other rider has achieved in the event's 100-year history. This book will look into the unprecedented build up to the Tour, focusing on Armstrong's season and on the physical and mental limits of endurance through which he forced himself. Starting off in February when he made his annual move to Girona in Spain where preparation for the Tour becomes all-consuming, all the details of his hypermasochistic training regime will be unveiled, from sleeping in an altitude tent to the miles of gruelling riding through the pain barrier. This 'inside story' will also involve access to Armstrong's US Postal Service Team and key rivals in the battle for the Yellow Jersey - among them German Jan Ulrich, American Tyler Hamilton, and Spaniard Joseba Beloki. Above all, Armstrong's motivational strengths and burning desire to achieve will be the focus of a book that celebrates a unique sporting phenomenon. It promises to be a fascinating look at history in the making and the colourful world of pro cycling.

Before Bradley Wiggins, there was Sean Yates. Behind Bradley Wiggins, there was Sean Yates. One of only five Britons to wear the yellow jersey in the Tour de France, Sean Yates burst onto the cycling scene as the rawest pure talent this country has ever seen. After turning professional at the age of 22, he soon became known as a die-hard domestique, putting his body on the line for his teammates. Devastatingly fast, powerful and a fearless competitor, Yates won a stage of the Tour, as well as the Vuelta a España, in 1988, and went on to don the coveted maillot jaune six years later. Having put British cycling on the map as a rider, Yates was soon in demand as a directeur sportif, using his tactical knowledge to inspire a new generation of cyclists to success. And after Team Sky came calling, Yates was the man to design the brilliant plan that saw Sky demolish the opposition in 2012, and for Bradley Wiggins to become the first cyclist from these shores to win the Tour. Straight-talking, entertaining and revelatory, *It's All About the Bike* is the story of a remarkable career told from the unique perspective of a man who is immersed in the history of the sport he loves.

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