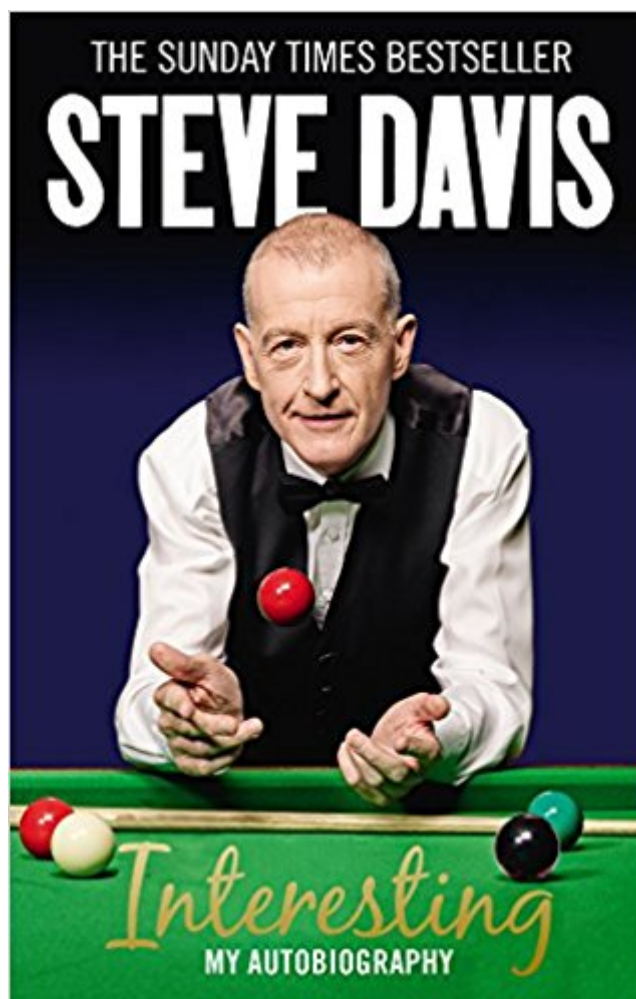


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Interesting: My Autobiography



Synopsis

Steve Davis was just a rookie from Plumstead, south London, learning how to play from an old book his snooker-obsessed father had given him, when an encounter with Barry Hearn changed his life forever. With his backing, Steve began touring the country in a clapped-out car as an amateur. Challenging established professionals and winning titles, supported by his loyal following the Romford Roar, it wasn't long before he progressed to the world's stage. By the 1980s, Steve had helped transform a previously shady sport into a national obsession. He and a cast of legends such as Ray Reardon, Dennis Taylor, and Alex Higgins, with other young guns like Jimmy White, were doing silent battle in front of huge audiences. Tens of millions of viewers would witness the nail-biting conclusions of his world championship finals; this was snooker's golden era. The man behind the "boring" tag has always been the sport's smartest and sharpest man. With his cool, obsessive approach, Steve rewrote the rule book and became untouchably the best player in the world and the best paid sportsman in the country. Interesting lays it all bare: what it was like to win in those pressure-cooker situations; how to cope at the top, when everyone wants you to lose; and how you deal with the moment when a man comes along who is finally better than you. This is a memoir that closely evokes the smoke-filled atmosphere of those arenas, the intrigue behind the scenes, and the personal psychology and sacrifice that is required to stay at the top of such an exacting sport.

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Customer Reviews

Finally, the glorious moment of holding Steve Davis' autobiographic book in my hands, has arrived! I

have been waiting for this day since I started the blogging about snooker almost five years ago. Steve invites you for a walk down memory lane and exposes his feeling of vulnerability as well as those of superiority that made him have one of the most illustrious snooker careers in the history of this crazy and colourful cue sport. From the moment that his father put Joe Davis' book in his hands, to the minute he met "The Governor" Barry Hearn, or from starring in the Pot Black series, to recording his first 147 in front of his father (who was also his coach), at Plumstead Common just a few days before his 20th birthday, Steve tells you the story in a way that you swear he's kidnap you in Dr Who's Tardis and you are back in time witnessing his every memory. I did a short review on my snooker blog, so if you want to know more about this book, I invite you here:

http://snookermylove.blogspot.ro/2015/04/interesting-my-autobiography-by-steve_17.html

Sadly, I wasn't much of a snooker fan when Mr. Davis was mopping the floor with the world's elite players during the eighties. Therefore I awaited his biography with quite some excitement and curiosity. I was not to be disappointed. Steve Davis has in my mind written the best snooker autobiography to this day, even though there is not much drinking, drug abuse or womanizing. He is giving the reader a vivid image of how life was like at the top, and he is brutally honest (to himself) describing his feelings losing big matches and finally having to admit that his time as the world's best cueist had come to an end. Thank you Steve, for sharing, and to you snooker fans out there, buy this book! I promise you, it really is interesting!

Funny and well written. A good read for snookers fans of all eras, but particularly if you watched the game back in the 80s. The book not only details the highs and lows of Steve's career but offers some interesting (no pun intended) insights on the game as a whole, its development and the players who have made the game what it is today. Highly recommended.

Huge Steve Davis my whole life and loved this read.

Light hearted read for snooker fans

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