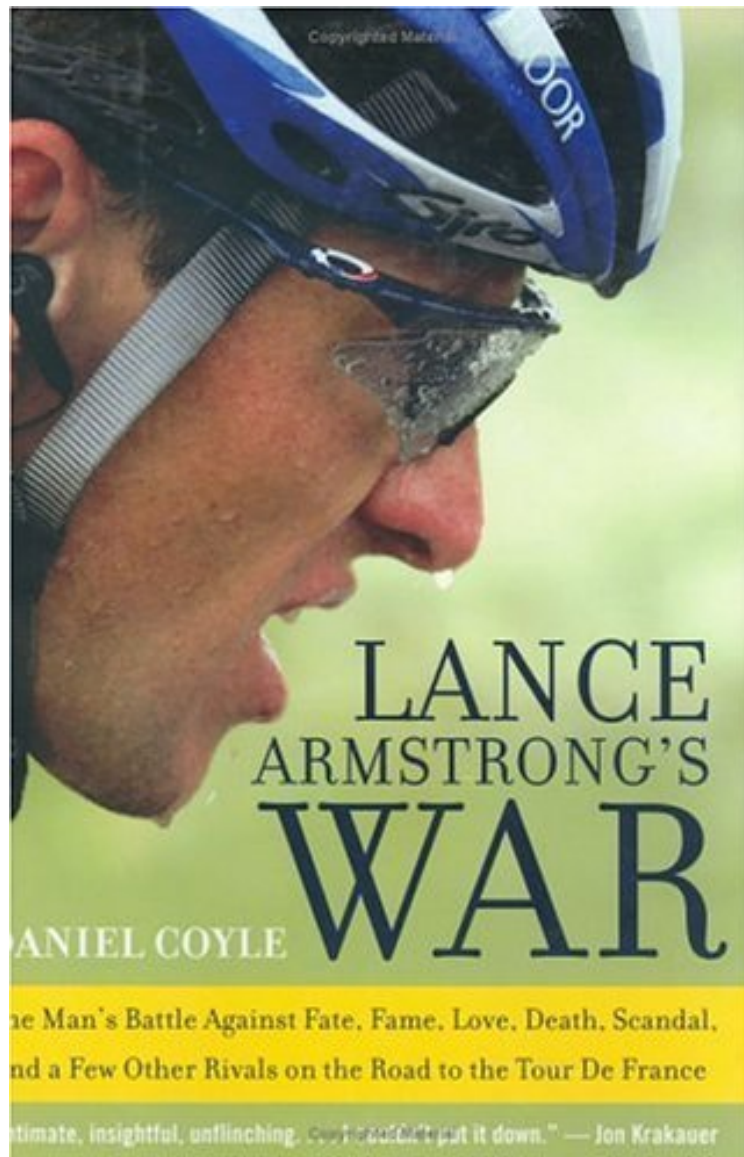


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A glimpse on the other LanceVon bxaTo make it clear from the start:I am a devoted fan of L.A., the athlete, cancer survivor and founder of the LAF. I am (or rather: have been until I read this book), however, not very much in awe when it comes to L.A.'s personality (as displayed on TV screen - granted, that's probably just one side of any person anyway), neither when we talk about Armstrong books written by himself.This being said, I started LA's War with an open mind, ready for new facts and details about HIMself and U.S., Postal. But also ready for some whincing about really awkward or plain embarrassing statements. And ready for a book written in probably poor semantic style.Surprise - it was a lot different than I thought, and luckily so:1. It certainly makes a difference in language, and thus in reading joy, if a cyclist (ghostwriter?) or a journalist (here: Daniel Coyle) is writing a book about the world and champions of cycling. Relief!2. The book underscores what has been written often, especially during the last two years or so: Lance Armstrong sure is a very straightforward guy (sometimes misinterpreted as "simple"), but also a very complex personality. For sure it would be anything but easy to be around him - but it would sure be extremely exciting and very inspiring in a lot of senses, not just regarding sports and attitude of a sportsman.3. I did not expect to read all those rather detailed bios on other cyclists of the 2002/2003 TdF Peloton --- that was an extra goodie of "Lance Armstrong's War" to get these information about Tyler Hamilton, Alexandre Vinokourov, the US view on Jan Ullrich's annual slow start into the season - you name it.All in all: No big book in terms of style, language and so forth. However, which of the cycling books are (well, maybe Peter Winnen's "Letters from L'Alpe d'Huez"?).BUT: Way more than a book just about Lance Armstrong, even more than a book about LA and his US Postal team. It's a book about all the most important riders of the recent TdFs and their annual way of getting ready (physically AND mentally) for that brutal race. PLUS it's a book about a very interesting and thought-provoking, inspiring fellow human being whose thoughts, actions, ways of organizing life and struggles with it.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Very entertaining and interesting bookVon Juergen HuellenI read this book 1 year after LA long awaited confession and after reading all books about this subject from David Walsh. So far I was interested, how the (Co-) author of the book "The secret race" wrote about LA and his environment in the year 2004. Honestly I expected the usual ghost writer praising about LA.I was really surprised that the author gave a personal reflection about his involvement in the 2004 Tour de France circus of Armstrong. With irony and facts he leaves the doping decision open to the reader. I also appreciated, that the author tells about LA contemporary greatest rivals and most important teammates. Even 20 years later a very entertaining book.

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