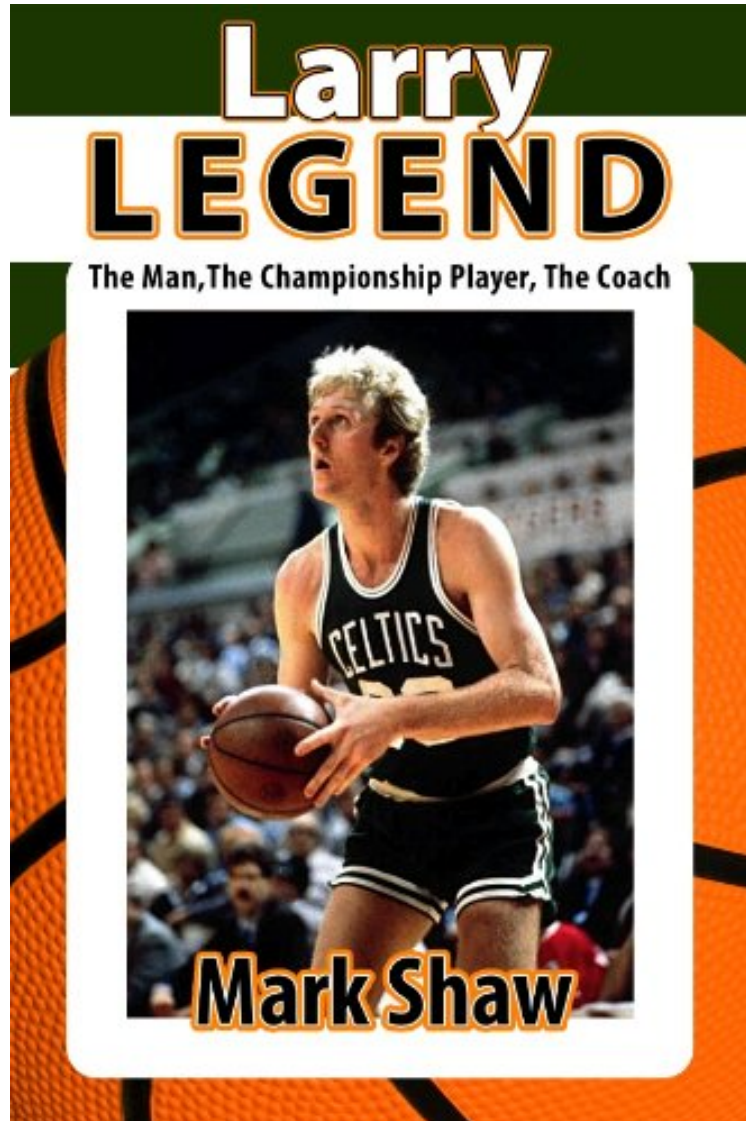


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skimmingVon Nick Sortali'm having a hard time getting through this book, although the topic is one of my favorites and the writing is ok. it seems to be written by someone who is a bit infatuated with Mr. Bird. and why must he refer to Bird as "the Birdman" on every single page? I'm far from an expert on the NBA, but most of the things the author is

writing has been covered six times a day on SportsCenter. And the book jumps back and forth, between Bird's time before the NBA and his time as an NBA coach.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Shaw brilliantly captures why Bird is one of the greatest.Von MarieOf all the books I read about Bird, Mark Shaw truly captures why he is one of the greatest minds in the game of basketball. The insights and interviews of the players who played against him and for him showed why he is revered not just by Celtic fans, but by basketball fans worldwide. If you are a basketball fan, this is a must have for your collection.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Larry Legend is a prizewinner, a great sports book.Von Ein KundeWhat I like about Mark Shaw books is that he tells it like it is. Larry Legend not only portrays Larry Bird as a great basketball player but the author criticizes him re his coaching ability and also says he is a failure as a father to his only daughter. That gives a balanced look at Bird, one that I feel is important.

KurzbeschreibungLarry Legend chronicles the life and times of Larry Bird, championship player and 1998 NBA Coach of the Year. Using that season as the book theme, the former Boston Celtic great is portrayed from his days as high school and college phenom through the Celtics championships and Bird's election to the Hall of Fame. Featuring quotes from Michael Jordan, Magic Johnson, Dennis Rodman, and Reggie Miller, Larry Legend tells the whole Bird story past to present..deEven without his masterful debut as coach of the 1997-1998 Indiana Pacers, Larry Bird's brilliant, gutsy career with the Boston Celtics--three NBA championship rings and a trio of Most Valuable Player trophies--cries out for celebration and reassessment. He was a dominant player, a thinking player who controlled the game as much with his leadership as his keen passing, tough "D," and the soft touch of his jumper. In Larry Legend, Shaw interweaves chapters of Bird's biography with chapters chronicling his Coach of the Year season to create a hybrid volume; rather than do both well, he does both adequately. Everything is here--Bird's French Lick, Indiana, childhood; why he left Bobby Knight and the Indiana University pressure cooker for lower profile Indiana State; the glory years with the Celtics; the rivalry with Magic Johnson; the back problems; and the ways he re-created the Pacers in his own court-burned image. The problem is presentation. As he jumps back and forth in time, Shaw impedes his own flow, a foul that Bird never committed. That's too bad, because Shaw is a capable reporter who loves his subject and does an otherwise admirable job of fleshing out the life of a man beneath the "Legend" of the title. --Jeff Silverman.comEven without his masterful debut as coach of the 1997-1998 Indiana Pacers, Larry Bird's brilliant, gutsy career with the Boston Celtics--three NBA championship rings and a trio of Most Valuable Player trophies--cries out for celebration and reassessment. He was a dominant player, a thinking player who controlled the game as much with his leadership as his keen passing, tough "D," and the soft touch of his jumper. In Larry Legend, Shaw interweaves chapters of Bird's biography with chapters chronicling his Coach of the Year season to create a hybrid volume; rather than do both well, he does both adequately. Everything is here--Bird's French Lick, Indiana, childhood; why he left Bobby Knight and the Indiana University pressure cooker for lower profile Indiana State; the glory years with the Celtics; the rivalry with Magic Johnson; the back problems; and the ways he re-created the Pacers in his own court-burned image. The problem is presentation. As he jumps back and forth in time, Shaw impedes his own flow, a foul that Bird never committed. That's too bad, because Shaw is a capable reporter who loves his subject and does an otherwise admirable job of fleshing out the life of a man beneath the "Legend" of the title. --Jeff Silverman