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My Favorite Match: WWE Superstars Tell The Stories Of Their Most Memorable Matches



Synopsis

Remember the time Goldust ran over “Rowdy” Roddy Piper in his gold Cadillac? How about when Randy Orton battled Mick Foley with a barbed-wire bat named “Barbie”? When you ask a WWE Superstar what his favorite match is, you might be surprised by his answer. But that’s the thing about a phrase like “favorite match.” It’s not about the greatest match in their careers or the time they won their first title. It’s about the moments that stand out and make them smile. Sometimes, it’s the same smile they had when they left the ring, face full of blood and sweat, to the roars of thousands. Sometimes, it’s the smile they tried so hard to hide when anything and everything seemed to go so wrong that even the ring announcer was accidentally injured in their struggle. And sometimes, it’s the smile only the showmen themselves share with each other as brothers in battle with one goal in mind: doing whatever it takes to put on the best show possible, even if it means landing on a few thousand thumbtacks along the way. These are their stories, straight from the Superstars who performed some of the most memorable matches in WWE history. These are the most unexpected, the most brutal, the most hilarious, and the most unforgettable moments of their careers—captured in their own words.

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Customer Reviews

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book *The Madden Phenomenon* and received his B.A. in Creative Writing from San Francisco State University.

As a fan, I purchased this book over a year ago looking forward to an inside perspective and only just recently managed to finish it. The reason it took so long is certainly not the quantity of material (it's a very quick read start to finish) but rather how no part of the material really managed to keep my interest. Recently I decided to push through and finally made it to the end. The writing style is very basic and most chapters hold very little narrative unity, often spilling over into rambling. My first thought was that this is understandable as, though I consider the skill involved in quality sports entertainment to be sublime, it certainly does not require one to also have a developed literary voice. But, upon reaching the acknowledgements section of the book, the author states that these stories were taken from oral interviews. To me, this meant two things: 1) We were robbed of the opportunity to hear these stories told directly from the source but were instead given rewritten versions by the author and 2) When they were rewritten, no effort (or no successful effort) was taken to effectively translate a spoken into a written narrative. Both of these, in my view, severely reduce the justification for this book's existence much beyond its initial conceptual appeal. To speak to the positive side, this book is not without a few bits of rewarding insight and post match commentary from the participants themselves, as advertised. I particularly enjoyed the information about a performer's state of mind going in to a particular confrontation (such as Shawn Michaels's nerves going in to *Wrestlemania XXVI*) which we, as fans, don't normally have access to. Give it a shot if you'd like. My comments notwithstanding, you may still find something enjoyable to take away from it just, perhaps, not as much as you would have liked.

The tradition in our family for Easter is to fill the kids' baskets with lots of books and art or stationary type stuff (markers, pencils, stickers, etc.) ...along with chocolate of course. Our new foster son isn't much of a reader, but I didn't want to break from tradition, and I'm hoping he'll grow more fond of reading. Since he's obsessed with *WWE* I was hoping he would enjoy this book and another *WWE* reading book I found. When he saw the book he said it looked cool...now hopefully he'll read it!

This book is alright. I was hoping the wrestlers would go more in-depth with details of the matches (move sequences, etc.), back story, etc., but it was a lot of fluff. There is enough to make it interesting, and it's a short read, however. Decent, not great.

This was a gift for someone who really enjoys WWE biography's. He really seemed to like it. My only complaint is that it was rather thinner than expected - it's only 194 pages. Just be prepared this is what's coming your way if you decide to purchase it!

The boy was not impressed. Nice book though, arrived quickly from seller.

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My son is loving it!

My son actually enjoyed reading this book and anyone with a teenage boy knows it is hard to find books that they enjoy.

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