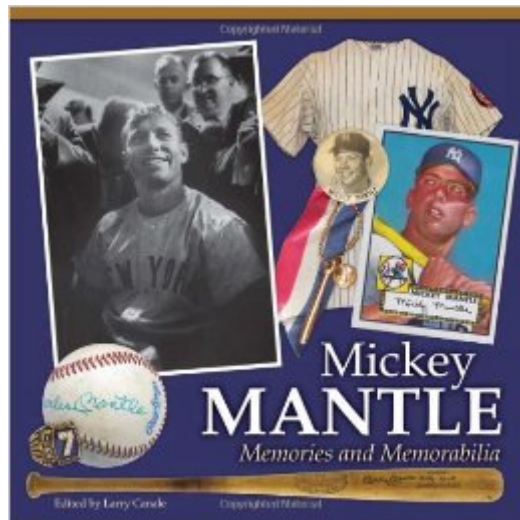


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Synopsis

"When it comes to sports memorabilia, Mantle is king. No other sports athlete has been covered more or is more popular than Mantle, bar none. No one comes close." -T.S. O'Connell, editor of Sports Collector's Digest Mickey Mantle is one of the most beloved sports figures of all times. Playing brilliantly for the New York Yankees, Mantle won three American League Most Valuable Player Awards and was named to 16 All Star games. He played on 12 pennant winners and seven World Series Championship clubs with the Yankees. He still holds records for most World Series home runs, RBIs, runs, walks, extra-base hits, and total bases, all topped off by his induction in the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1974. Fifteen years after his death, his memorabilia is still the most sought after of any sports figures past or present. Mickey Mantle: Memories and Memorabilia highlights the life, memories, and memorabilia of one of American sports' all time greatest heroes. With over 600 images of fantastic photography and artwork, no book on the market captures the history, nostalgia, memories, and memorabilia of the man they call "The Mick."

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Customer Reviews

I got this book for my dad as an early Father's Day gift. He really enjoys it. First and foremost, the book is a tribute to Mickey Mantle and beautifully celebrates his great career. It proved to be a wonderful gift. The book is well designed and quite attractive, featuring pictures from Mantle's youth and throughout his career with the Yankees, as well as beyond. Found throughout is memorabilia that ranges from autographed pictures from his Commerce High School days in Oklahoma (my

favorite is a picture of Mantle on the basketball team), to items from his days with the Yankees (player contracts, MVP awards, a Silver Bat Award, tickets, programs and more). Sprinkled throughout the narrative are brief stories of Mantle from the view of fans which provide warm recollections. The entire book is lovely but my favorite chapter is the Foreword by Ozzie Sweet, the famous sports photographer with more than 1,750 magazine covers to his credit. The Foreword includes a number of classic Sweet photographs of Mantle that border on true art. The book is 10 x 10, which allows for large pictures and great impact. Highly recommend as a gift or for yourself.

Now, THIS is pretty cool. It's not one of those memorabilia books with things stuffed into tissue packets. Hey, those are cool, too, but this isn't that. This seems to be Mick's saved stuff and some chatter about the items. As I said.....COOL! You're not going to find anything Earth-shattering. You've seen all this crap.....er.....stuff before. But hearing The Mick talk about it is.....well.....COOL! There's one negative that bugs me. Apparently, no one bothered to proofread this book before sending it to press. There are a LOAD of typos. Simple stuff, too, that could have been easily noted and fixed. It's a fun book that you can pick up cheap. If Mick was one of your heroes (as he was one of mine), you've got a great bargain available here. Grab it while the gettins' good. It's COOL!

As a longtime Yankee fan, of course I expected to like this book. But as a baseball fan, I absolutely love it! With Mantle's memorabilia on display, it's a perfect way to track his career from a young centerfielder (with the intense pressure of being DiMaggio's heir apparent) to the legendary hall of famer he would become. A must for baseball fans of all stripes, not just pinstripes.

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