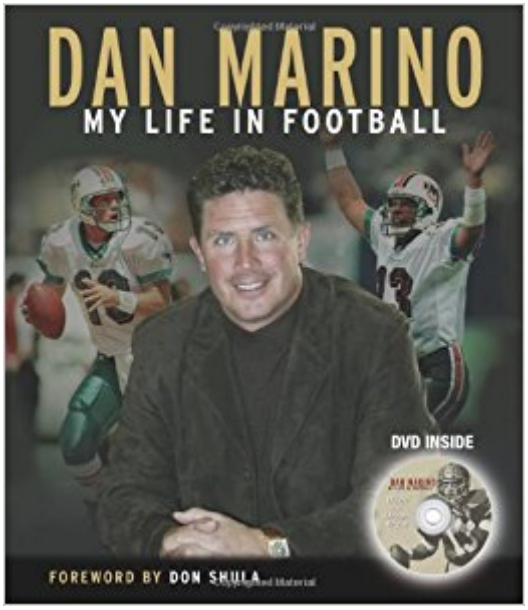
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Synopsis

Dan Marino: My Life in Football takes fans into the private life of arguably the greatest quarterback to ever play the game. In addition to his own personal reflections, stories, and anecdotes from his playing days at the University of Pittsburgh and the Miami Dolphins, Marino shares some of his most private moments with his family, friends, and behind-the-scenes of some of the more exciting and unusual moments that he has enjoyed. Hundreds of vibrant, full-color photographs accompany a specially-produced DVD that is available only with this book. The exclusive DVD that contains never-before-seen footage of Marino’s high school and college playing days in addition to interviews with former teammates and coaches that aims to explain the genesis of Marino’s amazing talent. With unprecedented access to the Hall of Fame quarterback’s lifeÃ¢â ¬â •from hearing stories directly from Marino to seeing how the quarterback lives with his family and friendsÃ¢â ¬â •no other book offers the insight into Marino’s life that this one does.

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"I’ve been fortunate enough to travel the world, appear in movies, be in music videos, grace the most popular magazine covers, talk on the biggest TV shows, and get to know some of the world’s most famous celebrities. All that is nice. It’s wonderful, really. But nothing gave me a rush quite like running out with the team for a big game, in a packed stadium, on a sunny Sunday afternoon. Or on a snowy Saturday evening. Or on a nationally televised Monday night. It didn’t matter when or where. Throwing a football brought me the most fun and the biggest pleasure of anything outside of my family." --Dan Marino "I enjoyed the relationship with Dan as

much or more than any I’ve had in my coaching career. Everyone knew he’d end up in Canton, too. I’m just glad, once again, he ends up there as a Dolphin." --From the Foreword by Don Shula

You know you’re living in rarefied air when the topic of "the best there ever was" follows you like a shadow. Such is the case for Hall of Fame quarterback Dan Marino, who holds dozens of NFL passing records, including most completions (4,967), most yardage (61,361), and most touchdowns (420), making him the most prolific quarterback in league history. But for all he accomplished on the football field, as a Miami Dolphin for 17 spectacular seasons, as well as during his All-American high school and college careers in Pittsburgh, Dan has distinguished himself from other professional athletes of his era with his off-the-field contributions and his intense devotion to his family and friends. As he joins his sport’s greatest legends in Canton, Ohio, Dan brings with him a distinction that goes far beyond his incredible athletic achievements. His legacy will be that of a man who raised his position and his sport to new heights, as well as that of a man who redefined the persona of the American hero during a time when professional sports were realizing the need for lasting and meaningful role models. Dan fulfilled the roles of sports hero and American icon like few before him, pouring his energies equally and generously into his career, his family, and his community. This spectacular pictorial book tells Dan’s entire story—in his own words and through never-before-seen archival family photographs and video footage. It is the rare and inspirational story of an exceptional athlete who realized that he had the God-given tools to virtually rewrite the NFL record books, and who walked the extra miles to use that platform to make the world around him a better place. This is Dan’s personal story, and, like his life, it goes way beyond his accomplishments on the football field.

I’m not a Dolphin or Marino fan, but I enjoy reading about NFL history. I was looking for a book on Marino, and this appeared to be the best of what little is out there.It’s mainly pictures, as other reviews noted. The book is just under 200 pages and probably no more than 25 pages of it are text. Most of that is from Marino directly and reads kind of like you had met him in a bar and he was giving you quick answers to questions about his life - Pretty much surface stuff that doesn’t go into much detail. If like me you are looking for a full biography of him, this is not it.It’s too bad. Marino had a very interesting career that a good writer could really dig into, even pretty much from the start with his odd last year in college and free fall in the 1983 draft - which ultimately was a blessing in disguise when he landed with a good Miami team. There was then the great year in 1984 followed

by his only Super Bowl appearance (in which Miami lost to the 49ers), the near miss the following year in 1985, and then a strange drop off over the following years. His Achilles injury in 1993 was followed by a stirring comeback in 1994, although the team came up short of a championship again in 1994.The 1994 49ers had loaded up with free agents and won the Super Bowl. In 1995, with Marino and Shula both getting on in their careers, Miami tried the same method. The team got off to a good start but fell apart and played badly late in the year, leading the team owner to force Shula into retirement and bring in former Cowboy coach Jimmy Johnson. Johnson talked big about rebuilding the team and taking it to the Super Bowl. However, Johnson and Marino soon grew apart, the rebuild did not succeed, and both retired after the 1999 season without having won the elusive Super Bowl.Virtually none of this is covered in the book in any detail. (I don't think it even mentions Jimmy Johnson). Sports Illustrated, the back issues of which are available on its SI Vault site, covered the team pretty regularly in the Marino years, especially the drama with Shula, Marino and Johnson in the 1995 to 1999 years. It takes a little time to find the articles but they frankly read better than this book - The definitive book about Marino unfortunately remains to be written.I'd recommend this book primarily only for fans of the Dolphins who want a picture book - it does have a lot of good photo's of Marino.

Having been a huge fan of Dan Marino's and the Miami Dolphins since 1983 I can highly recommend this book."My Life in Football" details Marino's early days playing football at Central Catholic High School in Pittsburgh, PA to being drafted by the Dolphins in 1983 and follows through to Dan's broadcasting career and charity work. The personal and professional photographs alone are worth the price of this book but add an introduction by one of the greatest NFL coaches in history, Don Shula, and you'll be hard pressed to find a better inside view of professional football.

Bought this as a gift for my husband. It came a day early. I thought there would be most text than there is but I know he will live it. There is a ton of photos at the end of the book. A good keepsake for any Dan super fan!

I flipped through the Pages of this Dan Marino Book, and how lovely are the illustrations. Crsip, clean, Clear photographs, & the Story Lenght is just right. My husband is going to Love this! Thanks!!

THIS BOOK IS NOT A VERY DETAILED LOOK AT MARINO'S CAREER. IT HAS VERY LITTLE

STORY OR COMMENTARY. BUT IT HAS A TON OF GREAT PHOTOS OF DAN AND HIS FAMILY ALONG WITH HIS CAREER IN HIGH SCHOOL, COLLAGE AND NFL. IT ALSO HAS A VERY NICE DVD WITH HIGHLIGHTS OF HIS FANTASTIC CAREER. IF YOU ARE A FAN OF HIS OR A DOPLPHIN FAN THIS IS A VERY NICE KEEPSAKE. FOR THE NORMAL NFL FAN THIS IS AN OK BOOK.

I bought this book for my 11 year old grandson. He’s a huge Dolphin’s fan and that includes Marino. It was nice to have a cd included. My grandson loved it, including all the pictures.

Just a book of pictures

Purchased as a birthday gift for a die hard Marino fan, this book is great! I loved that it was written by this amazing Miami Dolphin legend. Recipient says it is "AWESOME".

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