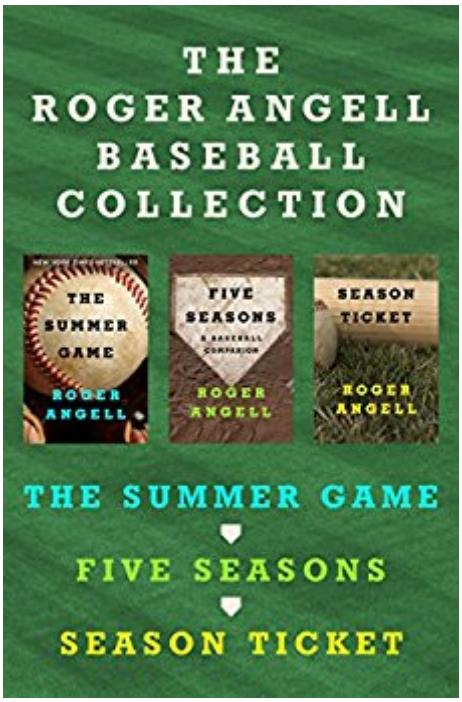
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The Roger Angell Baseball Collection: The Summer Game, Five Seasons, And Season Ticket



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Synopsis

A captivating collection of three nonfiction baseball books by acclaimed writer Roger Angell:Ã Â The Summer Game,Ã Â Five Seasons, andÃ Â Season TicketThe Summer Game, originally published in 1972, is a stunning collection of AngellÃ¢â ¬â„¢s essays on the major leagues, covering a span of ten seasons. Angell brilliantly captures the nationÃ¢â ¬â„¢s most beloved sport through the 1960s, spanning both the winning teams and the Ã¢â ¬Å“horrendous losers,Ã¢â ¬Â• and including famed players Sandy Koufax, Bob Gibson, Brooks Robinson, Frank Robinson, Willie Mays, and more. With the panache of a seasoned sportswriter and the energy of an avid baseball fan, AngellÃ¢â ¬â„¢s sports journalism is an insightful and compelling look at the great American pastime.InÃ Â Five Seasons,Ã Â New YorkerÃ Â sportswriter Roger Angell calls 1972 to 1976 Ã¢â ¬Å“the most important half-decade in the history of the game.Ã¢â ¬Â• The early to mid-1970s brought unprecedented changes to AmericaÃ¢â ¬â„¢s ancient pastime: astounding performances by Nolan Ryan and Hank Aaron; the intensity of the Ã¢â ¬Å“best-everÃ¢â ¬Â• 1975 World Series between the Cincinnati Reds and the Boston Red Sox; the changes growing from bitter and extended labor strikes and lockouts; and the vast new influence of network television on the game. Angell, always a fan as well as a writer, casts a knowing but noncynical eye on these events, offering a fresh perspective to baseballÃ¢â ¬â„¢s continuing appeal during this brilliant and transformative era.And inÃ Â Season Ticket, Roger Angell once again journeys through five seasons of AmericaÃ¢â ¬â„¢s national pastimeÃ¢â ¬â •chronicling the larger-than-life narratives and on-field intricacies of baseball from 1982 to 1987. AngellÃ¢â ¬â„¢s collectedÃ Â New YorkerÃ Â essays, written in his unique voice as a fan and baseball aficionado, cover the development of the game both on the diamond and off. While diving into subjects such as Sparky AndersonÃ¢â ¬â„¢s Ã¢â ¬â„¢84 Detroit Tigers, the legendary 1986 World Series and the Curse of the Bambino, and the increasingly pervasive issue of player drug use, Angell reveals the craft and technique of the game, and the unforgettable stories of those who played it.

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Customer Reviews

If you like baseball in all its forms from the sandlot to the bigs, I think you'd like this collection. I encountered Roger Angell's baseball writing in the columns he wrote for the New Yorker, but the essays collected in these books grouped here pretty much predate my acquaintance there. What I like best about his writing is the accessibility; he is a knowledgeable fan speaking to other fans, making connections and offering insights. Since he is covering years when I was a fan following baseball, the books offer me a pleasing revisiting of the past, but even if you weren't of age to be actively engaged with the players and games he's covering, if you're buying this sort of book you'll find his guidance pleasant.

A wonderful collection and a terrific price. Angell is a master of baseball writing. He takes you inside the game as he has gotten to know players, managers, scouts and front office executives. More than that, he writes from a fan's perspective. He's a student of the game who loves his subject. I had read these books previously in paper. I will read them again and again.

Roger Angell is now 93 years old. These books were written in the 1970's and 1980's I think. This trilogy is a must read for real baseball fans. The writing is excellent. Have your dictionary handy; Angell's vocabulary is very rich. His baseball articles appeared in the New Yorker magazine for many years. In a recent New Yorker, there is a photo of now old man Angell with his little dog. The accompanying article is cleverly written on the theme of being old. This guy is a real American, New York treasure!

Great summer reading for the baseball fan or the fan of good writing. Actually, you wouldn't have to

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Truly great baseball writing

What a fabulous writer and opportunity to read this collection of his writings and musings on baseball

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