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Editorial Review

Review

“This is the beauty of this book, the machinations of a modern pitcher's mind . . . There is delicious inside-baseball material here . . . Boston fans, who know Martinez helped turn around their franchise, will certainly buy this book as a totem to one of the magic moments in baseball history: their 2004 title. So, too, should any true fan of the game. Knowing and gritty, this memoir should've been printed on rawhide.” -- *Los Angeles Times*

“There is little the eight-time all-star holds back about any subject as he offers a revealing look at a colorful career. . . ‘Pedro’ is an easy read, one that you don’t have to be an ardent seamhead to enjoy. . . The intimate details Martinez offers up from both inside and outside the clubhouse make the book a winner.” -- *Washington Post*

“Brightly illuminates Martinez’s many facets . . . The book serves as a significant exception to the case that David Foster Wallace made, in the Philadelphia *Inquirer*, more than two decades ago, against the ‘the sports-star-‘with’-somebody autobiography.’” – *The New Yorker*

“A treat for anyone who loved watching Mr. Martinez pitch or who loves the craft of pitching.” – *The Wall Street Journal*

“A book much-awaited by Red Sox fans fully delivers . . . Very rewarding.” – *The Boston Globe*

“‘Pedro’ the book is as smart, as funny, and as diva-esque as Pedro the pitcher . . . It's all great . . . Buy the book. Read the book. Celebrate a golden era in Boston baseball.” – Dan Shaughnessy, *The Boston Globe*

"The volatile Hall of Fame pitching ace has just published a trash-talking, score-settling but disarmingly emotional memoir, *Pedro*, a book sure to make the reading list of any avid baseball fan . . . No question, this delicious summer read is guaranteed fodder for talk radio, because the always outspoken and opinionated Pedro lets it fly on the page with the same abandon he once showed on the mound.” – *The Daily Beast*

"Well worth the read, an amazing baseball story.” – *Providence Journal*

From the Inside Flap

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From the Back Cover

Later, after I had proven I could get batters out as well as anyone else in the game, I switched to subtler forms of motivation. Skeptics who doubted that my slender body could withstand the rigors of starting, coaches who belittled, berated, or fed off of me like leeches, jealous teammates who wanted to fight me, batters who charged me because they mistook my need to pitch inside for a desire to knock their heads off, a baseball establishment that tried to slow my entry into the rarefied air as one of the elite pitchers of all time, rude media members who probed where they shouldn't have and harped on the negative my God, baseball was a noisy, teeming jungle. from *Pedro*"

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