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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Nails Being A Hammer. Von Luke S. Hyams They'll be jokes about this being a short book, but it's also a terrific book. Flying So High is a mix of sports journalism, history, memoir and fandom. The book covers the nuts and bolts of various cup finals - to the play-off final of this year - and deals with campaigns, scorers and match reports. But book is strongest when we hear author's voice though on the changing face of football (from fashions to the decline in sportsmanship) and also his own experiences in being at certain games. In a sense this book is also a potted history of West Ham too, as cup finals trace the highs and lows of certain eras for the Hammers - and also book discusses the great teams and players the club has seen. Although naturally the book covers the highs of certain victories, Pete May is a true West Ham fan and doesn't shy away from some of the lows of following the team. The book touches upon what might have been in regards to the mid 60s side under Ron Greenwood and also discusses some of the players who could have been great at the club. The "Gerrard" cup final chapter also makes painful reading, as much as May puts a positive spin on it. This is essential reading for any West Ham fan. The gist of the book is that it's not always easy or glorious being a Hammer, but that it is fun, real and a memorable experience (especially in regards to the cup finals the club has been involved in. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Recommended Von Nelson Funny in places. There are some great nuggets of information too where Pete May has read plenty of match reports and newspaper articles about the games. May is an excellent writer but this is as much a book written by a fan as a sport journalist. Would recommend that parents have young fans read this book to give them an introduction to past players and eras. Flying so high will make you look forward to the coming season, as much as our hopes fade and die by the end of it.

Kurzbeschreibung West Ham might not reach that many cup finals, but when they do its unforgettable, bringing telegenic white horses, six-goal thrillers, European glory, three FA Cups and Play-off Final victory. Lifelong fan Pete May relives six classic finals when West Hams bubbles nearly reached the sky, covering the chants, banners, dodgy hairstyles, celebrations and press reaction. West Ham played in the first ever game at Wembley, the 1923 FA Cup Final against Bolton. It saw a pitch invasion by 200,000 fans and brought celebrity to Billie the white horse. In 1964 the Hammers beat Preston 3-2 through Ron Boyces late winner and Bobby Moore ran round the pitch with a giant hammer. A year later Im Forever Blowing Bubbles rang round Wembley as Ron Greenwoods men conquered Europe, beating TSV Munich 1860 through Alan Sealeys double in a tremendous display of attacking football. Alan Taylor, a former mechanic signed from Rochdale, was the star of 1975 FA Cup Final, scoring twice as West Ham defeated Fulham, captained by former Hammers legend Bobby Moore. In the 1980 FA Cup Final Johnny Lyalls claret and blue army were in the second division, but beat Arsenal through a rare Trevor Brooking header as Billy Bonds lifted the trophy for a second time. When West Ham visited the Millennium Stadium in Cardiff for the 2006 FA Cup Final, it produced the most memorable final in recent history and a heartbreaking penalty shoot-out defeat after a brilliant 3-3 draw. The Hammers returned to Wembley in 2012 after an absence of 31 years as Ricardo Vaz Tes late winner against Blackpool secured promotion in the Championship Play-off Final and resulted in Bobby Moores statue being adorned with a claret and blue scarf. Six great finals that sum up what it means to be a West Ham supporter. Pete Mays previous books on West Ham include Hammers in the Heart and West Ham: Irons in the Soul. His other books include Theres a Hippo in My Cistern, Rent Boy and Sunday Muddy Sunday. As a journalist he has contributed to the Guardian, Observer and Independent and numerous other publications. Raised in Essex, he now lives in north London with his wife and two daughters a dog named Vulcan and a large collection of football programmes. He is an associate lecturer in sports journalism at the London College of Communication. PRAISE FOR WEST HAM: IRONS IN THE SOUL 'Without doubt West Ham: Irons In The Soul is a true fans view of the recent events at the club. Id like to thank Pete May for writing this book because its given me an honest insight into West Ham and if results go extremely well I might even try a pre-match breakfast in Kens Cafe.' (Alan Pardew, former West Ham manager) 'If Ernest Hemingway had come from suburban Essex, dined in Ken's Cafe and been a season ticket holder at Upton Park he may well have come up with this book. Very funny, a real egg and chips romp.' (Phill Jupitus) 'A unique insight from the bestselling hammers author Pete May which allow irons fans like myself to relive some of the greatest moments ever witnessed in the Uptown Park era.' (Cass Pennant, author of Congratulations. You've Just Met the ICF) Kurzbeschreibung West Ham might not reach that many cup finals, but when they do its unforgettable, bringing telegenic white horses, six-goal thrillers, European glory, three FA Cups and Play-off Final victory. Lifelong fan Pete May relives six classic finals when West Hams bubbles nearly reached the sky, covering the chants, banners, dodgy hairstyles, celebrations and press reaction. West Ham played in the first ever game at Wembley, the 1923 FA Cup Final against Bolton. It saw a pitch invasion by 200,000 fans and brought celebrity to Billie the white horse. In 1964 the Hammers beat Preston 3-2 through Ron Boyces late winner and Bobby Moore ran round the pitch with a giant hammer. A year later Im Forever Blowing Bubbles rang round Wembley as Ron Greenwoods men conquered Europe, beating TSV Munich 1860 through Alan Sealeys double in a tremendous display of attacking football. Alan Taylor, a former mechanic signed

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