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Guy Martin: My Autobiography



Synopsis

It was the start of the third lap of the 2010 Senior TT, the last race of the fortnight. The last chance to get a TT win for another year, and I was pushing hard. Ballagarey. The kind of corner that makes me continue road racing. A proper man's corner. You go through the right-hander at something like 170mph, leant right over, eyes fixed as far down the road as I can see. But this time something happened. This time the front end tucked. . . Guy Martin, international road-racing legend, maverick star of the Isle of Man TT, truck mechanic, and TV presenter, lives on the edge, addicted to speed, thoroughly exhilarated by danger. In this book we'll get inside his head as he stares death in the face, and risks his life in search of the next high. We'll discover what it feels like to survive a 170mph fireball at the TT in 2010, and come back to do it all again. He'll sweep us up in a gritty sort of glory as he slogs it out for a place on the podium, but we'll also see him struggle with the flipside of fame. We'll meet his friends and foes, his family, his teammates, and bosses, and we'll discover what motivates him, and where his strengths and weaknesses lie. For the first time, here is the full story in Guy's own words. From the boy who learned to prep bikes with his dad, to the spirited team mechanic, paying his way by collecting beer glasses in pubs, to the young racer at the start of his first race and the buzz he's been chasing ever since. This thrilling autobiography is an intense and dramatic ride.

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"Entertaining ... Very much like talking to Guy - fast, scattergun-style, slightly confusing and contradictory on occasion! Guy Martin fans will love it." Motorcycle Racer

Guy Martin is a British motorcycle racer and mechanic, and in his spare time he presents TV programs. In 2011 he starred in the BAFTA nominated cult documentary film TT: Closer to the Edge. Guy has previously made documentary series with North One Televisionâ "one for the BBC, called The Boat that Guy Built, and How Britain Worked for Channel 4, and now Speed.

An interesting book written about an extraordinary man. Guy is certainly, as the Brits call it, a "one off", which in English means they broke the mold when they made him. A genuinely nice man, with simple tastes and an incredible desire to compete and win. If he lived 1,000 years ago, he'd have been a knight, always looking for the next test of strength and endurance. If you are a dedicated fan, or like me, one who was starting an interest in his incredible feats of endurance and skill, then this is the book for you. It's a book in which he opens his heart and discusses his life, good and bad.

As a fan I loved it; as a motorcyclist, I thought too much info (the TV/personal sections.) I guess you should expect that as it's an autobiography. I'll have no trouble giving it to another rider/riding partner who will love it too. :)

I thought it was just great all around reading about someone that is just like most of us gearheads out here but has taken it and done what most of us dream of doing.... look forward to reading his other books.

Great read from cover to cover. I've read a lot of autobiographies some work and some don't. This one is addictive if you have any interest in motorsports.

What a character! Well done. Kept me turning the pages. He's not afraid to expose his own faults, and certainly does not pontificate on his strengths. I will be buying his next book!

Guy Martin pulls no punches, he says what he thinks, but I don't see him as arrogant. I'm not a biker, yet I thoroughly enjoyed this look at the mindset of one. There's a lot of humour in the book, and there's a lot of candour. Very enjoyable read.

Great book. Very interesting to find out who Guy is and more importantly why Guy is. Very enjoyable if you are into motorcycle racing of any kind.

Loved it. Easy read. Awesome look into what makes Guy tick. I would recommend this book to any motorcycle racing enthusiast.

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