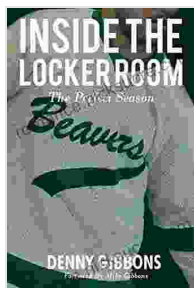


# Inside the Locker Room: The Perfect Season

Fifty years ago, the Miami Dolphins made history by completing the only perfect season in NFL history. They went 17-0, including a 14-7 victory over the Washington Redskins in Super Bowl VII. This feat has never been matched, and it remains one of the most remarkable achievements in sports history.

In his new book, "Perfect: The Inside Story of the Miami Dolphins' 1972 Season," author John Eisenberg takes readers inside the locker room of the Dolphins that year. He tells the story of how a group of talented players, led by head coach Don Shula, came together to create a team that would forever be etched in the annals of football history.



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Eisenberg's book is based on extensive interviews with players, coaches, and front office personnel from the 1972 Dolphins. He also draws on

archival footage and documents to provide a comprehensive and immersive account of the season.

One of the most striking things about the 1972 Dolphins was their camaraderie and chemistry. They were a close-knit group of players who genuinely enjoyed playing together. This bond was forged in training camp, where Shula pushed his players hard but also created a positive and supportive environment.

The Dolphins were also a supremely talented team. They had a great quarterback in Bob Griese, a dynamic running back in Larry Csonka, and a dominant defense led by Nick Buoniconti and Jake Scott. But it was more than just talent that made this team special. They were also incredibly well-coached and disciplined.

Shula was a brilliant coach who knew how to get the most out of his players. He was also a great motivator, and he instilled in his players a belief that they could achieve anything. The Dolphins responded by playing with a relentless intensity and focus that never wavered.

The 1972 Dolphins faced their share of challenges throughout the season. They had to overcome injuries, close games, and hostile crowds. But they never lost their composure or their belief in themselves. They simply kept winning, and they did it with style.

The Dolphins' perfect season was a truly remarkable achievement. It is a testament to the talent, dedication, and teamwork of the players and coaches involved. It is also a reminder that anything is possible if you set your mind to it and never give up.

John Eisenberg's book, "Perfect: The Inside Story of the Miami Dolphins' 1972 Season," is a must-read for any fan of football history. It is a fascinating and inspiring account of one of the greatest teams ever assembled.

## **Key Players**

- Bob Griese, quarterback
- Larry Csonka, running back
- Nick Buoniconti, linebacker
- Jake Scott, safety

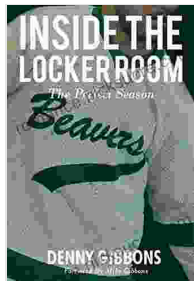
## **Key Moments**

- Week 1: Dolphins defeat the New England Patriots 20-10 in the season opener.
- Week 12: Dolphins defeat the Baltimore Colts 16-13 in a hard-fought battle.
- Week 14: Dolphins defeat the Pittsburgh Steelers 21-17 in a come-from-behind victory.
- Super Bowl VII: Dolphins defeat the Washington Redskins 14-7 to complete the perfect season.

## **Legacy**

The 1972 Miami Dolphins are considered one of the greatest teams in NFL history. They were the first team to go undefeated and untied in a 17-game season, and they remain the only team to accomplish this feat.

The Dolphins' perfect season has been the subject of numerous books, articles, and documentaries. It is a story that continues to inspire and amaze fans of football and sports in general.

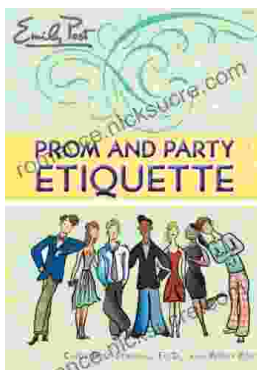


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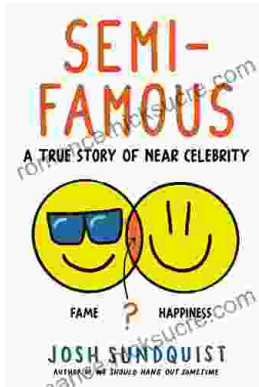
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