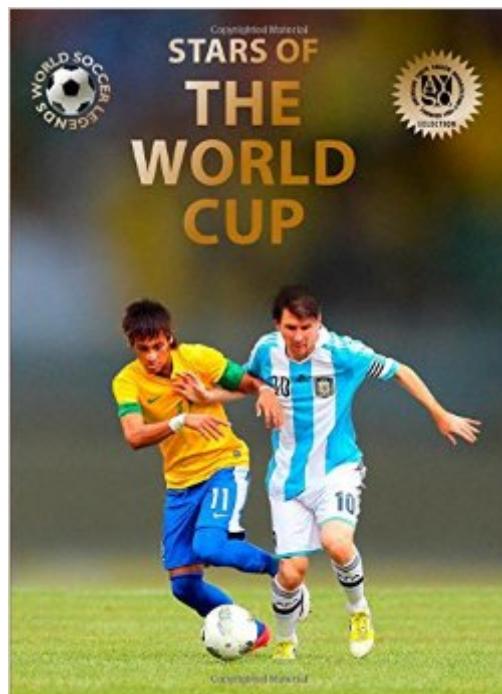


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# Stars Of The World Cup (World Soccer Legends)



## Synopsis

World Soccer LegendsEverything you need to know about most exciting clubs and the best players on the planet.Stars of the World CupLearn all about twenty-eight of the best players competing for the 2014 FIFA World Cup, from unstoppable scorers like Messi and Ronaldo to crafty playmakers like Iniesta and Modric, and ironclad defenders like Philipp Lahm and Thiago Silva.Get the inside scoop on their strengths and weaknesses heading into the showdown in Brazil.See incredible action shots of their on-field wizardry.

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## Customer Reviews

My Grandson loves this book. He was very interested in the World Cup this Summer and knows the names of all the players. Photos are great. Lots of info. And Balotelli has the same birthday...what could be greater.

3.5 StarsA small collection of international soccer stars and a brief bio for each. Most of these players are the latest generation of futbol athletes and have only been active in the international arena for the past 5-10 years. All should be participants in the upcoming World Cup this summer. Great photos. A nice choice for young soccer fans.[Net Galley Feedback](#)

I got this book for my eight year old son, who is fascinated by the World Cup, even months after its

completion. I read it too, but I am relying on his impressions and comments for this review. He said that the best things about this book were that it had a bunch of players that he could recognize, and a bunch of players that he learned a lot about. He enjoyed finding familiar names like Rooney, Neymar, Muller, Robben and Van Persie, along with players he'd never heard of. He especially liked the "plus and minus" feature, so he could find out what's good and bad about that player. He also liked that most of them were photographed wearing their club jersey, rather than their national one. He especially liked the front picture of the previous World Cup, with Spain lifting the trophy. His only complaint was his opinion that some of the players chosen for inclusion were overrated. As a parent, I thought the book had interesting information about each player. It offered a glimpse into their childhood, insight into their skills and a professional history. I especially liked the way the author dealt honestly and openly about the flaws in each player. Rather than just lauding each one as a hero, the author acknowledged problematic behaviors--like Robben's selfishness and Suarez' violent temper. The photography is beautiful, and features sports action rather than posed pictures. I too liked the "plus and minus" feature, along with the stars showing their position, club and country. The book also included a significant number of players, not just the 10-15 you always see.

For the football addicts out there, this is a book giving data concerning some twenty eight international footballers who were competing for the 2014 FIFA World Cup. Each one has a double page spread with photographs of them in action, a brief biography about them and indications of their main plus and minus features. It includes such details as their date and place of birth, the teams they have played for and their appearances in the World Cup. The action photographs of the players are superb. This will definitely appeal to anyone who is interested in finding out about these male star footballers. Thanks to the author, publisher and NetGalley too, for letting me read an ARC in exchange for an honest review.

'Stars of The World Cup' came out in plenty of time for this year's World Cup. I just stumbled onto it and decided to give it a quick read. Even though the World Cup is long over, it was fun to relive the player bios. It's features 28 of the players that were prominent in this year's World Cup arranged in alphabetical order. All the major players are here from Messi and Clint Dempsey to Muller and Aguero. Each player gets a two page spread. One is an action photo, the other is a short bio along with a plus and minus score for the player. Pluses include things like 'natural goal scorer' or 'respected leader.' Minuses include things like age or aggression (or lack of aggression) on the field. It's a bright quick read and perfect for sports minded young readers. As a very casual soccer

fan, I enjoyed learning more about these players. My son confirmed that the facts were good and they picked the right players to be in the book. I received a review copy of this ebook from Abbeville Press and NetGalley in exchange for an honest review. Thank you for allowing me to review this ebook.

This book is in full color. Each page has a different soccer player and has some stats about them. It reminds me a lot of reading a baseball card. Young boys LOVE this sort of thing. Easy to read. I think it's really for kids in the 7-12 range, but if they were any older, they would probably prefer to just start looking up stats of their favorite players online.

I loved this book and others from the series. Beautiful pictures, hard to find level. Unfortunately, poorly constructed. Two of the books from this company burst the stitching upon opening. For a series designed for children, these are very poorly made.

Bought this for a mixed age classroom of young soccer fans (grades K-5). Kids love, love, love it. So much that it's falling apart. We've taped it back together and it continues to be a favorite.

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