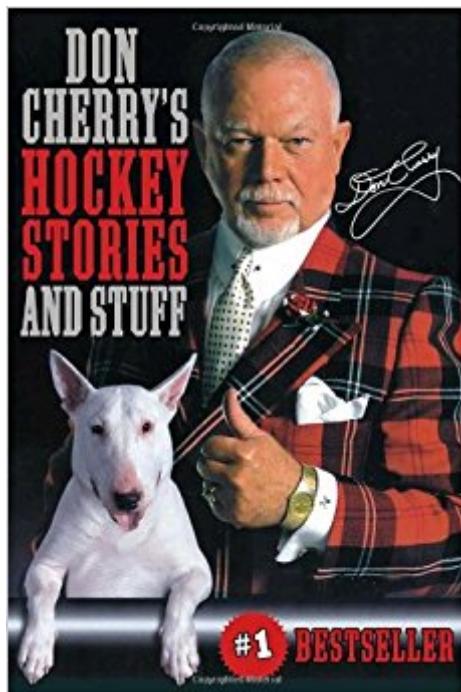


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# Don Cherry's Hockey Stories And Stuff



## Synopsis

#1 National Bestseller Don Cherry has been named a National Hockey League Coach of the Year with a winning percentage of over .600 and also received Coach of the Year honours in the American Hockey League. His comments on Hockey Night in Canada's "Coach's Corner" routinely make headlines as they entertain, educate, and often upset some fans throughout North America. He may be controversial, but no one can deny the popularity he enjoys; popularity that was reflected in his top 10 ranking in the competition to determine "The Greatest Canadian." Now from Grapes himself comes the book that hockey fans of all ages have been waiting for. Written with veteran sports journalist Al Strachan, here are Don Cherry's favourite stories from his career in hockey. And you can imagine the stories he has to tell. From the Hardcover edition.

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"Never one to mix words, [Don] Cherry provides an analysis that transcends the reporting found in printed dailies, websites, and typical television broadcasts. That is what he is most often criticized for: not being like everyone else. Cherry provides poignant analysis about the game of hockey that escapes most other commentators. He endeavours to elucidate the small moments within a game that may appear inconsequential, but are integral to the outcome: a failure to clear the zone, a player shying away from a check, a poor line change. This is where Cherry is most valuable as a commentator. As a former coach, one who found great success, he is able to give viewers insights unlike anyone else." Ian Smart, 411mania.com "Don Cherry in print sounds just like Don Cherry over the air. If you like Cherry, you'll like this." Toronto Star From the Hardcover edition.

Twenty-five years into Don Cherry's hockey career, a chance appearance on Hockey Night in Canada impressed CBC officials enough for them to create a platform for the provocative ex-player and coach, "Coach's Corner." And the rest is history. Don Cherry's success extends to a line of popular DVDs, a chain of restaurants, and a syndicated radio show. In addition to these ventures he has spent the past few years raising funds for Rose Cherry's Home for Kids, a hospice for terminally ill children named after his beloved late wife, who died of cancer in June 1997. Don Cherry has passionately campaigned for the Milton, Ontario, hospice both on and off the air. Al Strachan, a former columnist with the Toronto Sun, The Globe and Mail and The Montreal Gazette, regularly appears on Hockey Night in Canada and The Score. He can be heard on Sirius Radio. Strachan has been writing about hockey and hanging out with NHL players, coaches, general managers, and owners for thirty-five years. He lives in Toronto and St. Andrews, New Brunswick. From the Hardcover edition.

If you've seen Don Cherry on his "Coach's Corner" show on TV's "Hockey Night In Canada," then you are well-prepared to read this book. "Grapes" goes from one topic to the next, rapid-fire, sometimes not completely finishing his thought. He just says what hits him at the moment. His grammar isn't the best either and he's extremely frank, sometimes outrageous. All of this is just the way we like it!! Right in the beginning of this book, he explains to the reader that he's going to keep the same approach. When you read this book, it's like Cherry talking to you right from the TV screen 10 feet away. In case kids want to read the book, he says, he won't use profanity - so you can give this to your children. I appreciated that. As someone old enough to know most of the names Cherry mentions in this book, I thoroughly enjoyed hearing about these guys.....and about him. It's just wonderful stuff. Don't look for a cohesive story; that's not Don, but it's as entertaining as listening to him. The only disappointment is that he never said how he got the nickname "Grapes." If someone knows, please write me!

This is a good book especially if you like Don Cherry! It's like you are sitting down with him and having a beer. He tells it like it is in his colorful way. I really enjoyed this book even though I got it for my husband for Christmas. We are both big hockey fans (he is a bit more than I am) and thought this would be a good autobiography, which it is. I recommend it to any hockey fan!

Ok. I was an NHL fan back from the 1970s & 80's- Grapes was very vague & not chronological with

the book. The Canadian movie made about Grapes was awesome! This book- not worth it!

Good book, great service; completely satisfied.

I loved this book and if you know anything about Grapes and how outspoken and outrageous he can be, you won't be disappointed.. For hockey lovers!

I bought this book for my 11 year old son and he can't put it down. Absolutely loves it!!! Very funny and relatable on all levels especially if you're into hockey. Would definitely recommend it for the hockey lover.

Not much to say about this one, it's basically Don Cherry telling hockey stories. His personality comes through very well, he's frank and honest as always, and it's entertaining. A quick and lighthearted read, probably more of a rental or used purchase though.

always enjoyed him and the book is very interesting

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