

Giggs Classic Football Heroes Collect Them All

Football is the world's most popular sport. It is a cultural phenomenon and a global media spectacle. For its billions of fans, it serves as a common language. But where does its enduring popularity come from? Featuring essays from prominent experts in the field, scholars and journalists, this Companion covers ground seldom attempted in a single volume about football. It examines the game's oft-disputed roots and traces its development through Europe, South America and Africa, analysing whether resistance to the game is finally beginning to erode in China, India and the United States. It dissects the cult of the manager and how David Beckham redefined sporting celebrity. It investigates the game's followers, reporters and writers, as well as its most zealous money makers and powerful administrators. A valuable resource for students, scholars and general readers, The Cambridge Companion to Football is a true and faithful companion for anyone fascinated by the people's game.

Complete your collection with these limited Ultimate Football Heroes International editions – now with a bonus World Cup chapter. Jurgen Klinsmann: deadly goal-poacher, Tottenham Hotspur hero, world champion. After helping to beat England in the 1990 World Cup, the German striker came to play for Tottenham Hotspur - but it took a long time for Spurs fans to grow to love him. Yet with his competitive spirit, humour and his amazing talent for conjuring a goal from thin air, he quickly became a North London legend. This is his exciting story.

Meet Marcus Rashford - Ultimate Football Hero This is the story of Marcus Rashford - one of the brightest young stars on the Manchester United books and future England goalscoring legend. From tough beginnings in Manchester, Rashford has proven to be one of the Premier League's shining stars, scoring twice on his senior debut, scoring in his first Premier League match and scoring on his England debut in 2016. The future can only get better! Ultimate Football Heroes is a series of biographies telling the life stories of the biggest and best footballers in the world and their incredible journeys from childhood fan to superstar professional player. Written in fast-paced, action-packed style these books are perfect for all the family to collect and share.

'None of the defenders had a chance. Luis was too quick. Before they could move, he had pounced on the ball and fired a shot into the top corner.' Suarez follows the Uruguayan's winding path from love-struck youngster to Liverpool hero to Barcelona star. Grabbing goals and headlines along the way, this is the inspiring story of how the world's deadliest striker made his mark. Ultimate Football Heroes is a series of biographies telling the life-stories of the biggest and best footballers in the world and their incredible journeys from childhood fan to super-star professional player.

A long-term study providing rare insights into the precarious career and ordinary working culture of professional footballers. Away from the celebrity-obsessed media gaze, the work of a professional footballer is rarely glamorous and for most players a career in football is insecure and short-lived. A former professional, Martin Roderick's familiarity with the world of football is the foundation for this privileged research into a world that is typically closed to the public gaze and ignored by media reportage and academic research which prefers to focus on a small, unrepresentative group of elite players. Key themes explored within the text include: the culture of work in professional football the changing identity, orientation and expectations of players during their careers the fragile and uncertain nature of professional sport careers the performance and dramatic aspects of a career under public scrutiny the role of relationships with managers, owners, support staff and partners players' responses to the insecurities inherent in professional football such as injury, ageing, performance and transfer. The text deals with a wide range of issues of interest to sports students and academics, particularly those with a focus on the sociology of sport but also including sport development, sport management and coaching studies. The text will also be of interest to researchers in the fields of careers, industrial relations and the sociology of work.

Meet Sadio Mané - Ultimate Football Hero Sadio Mané is one of Liverpool FC's 'Fab Four'. Along with Mo Salah, Roberto Firmino and Xherdan Shakiri, Sadio's goals have helped make Liverpool the deadliest attacking team in the Premier League. Since he moved to the Premier League, Sadio has been setting the bar to new heights - from scoring the fastest hat-trick in history to becoming the most expensive African footballer ever. There is no stopping the Fab Four, and the sky is the limit for Sadio Mané. Ultimate Football Heroes is a series of biographies telling the life-stories of the biggest and best footballers in the world and their incredible journeys from childhood fan to super-star professional player. Written in fast-paced, action-packed style these books are perfect for all the family to collect and share.

Jamie Johnson can't believe his luck. He's playing for Kingfield School in the Cup semi-final, and scouts from his favourite club, Hawkstone United, are coming to watch! This is Jamie's big chance. He's determined to shoot to win! But there are some people who don't want Jamie to achieve glory. As the biggest game of his life approaches, Jamie is horrified to find himself taken off the team. Just when he has everything to play for, is he going to miss his chance to score?

Meet Jamie Carragher. Classic Football Hero. 'He puts his body on the line for the good of the team. His passion stood him out from the rest.' Carragher tells the story of the Liverpool hero who stood firm to make Liverpool's breath-taking victory at the UEFA Champions League Final in 2005 possible, coming back against AC Milan, despite the Italian team's enormous lead. This is a story about true loyalty and dedication to one of the world's greatest teams. Classic Football Heroes is a series of biographies telling the life-stories of the biggest and best footballers in the world and their incredible journeys from childhood fan to super-star professional player. Written in fast-paced, action-packed style these books are perfect for all the family to collect and share.

From the post room to the board room, everyone thinks they can be the manager. But how do you manage outrageous talent? What do you do to inspire loyalty from your players? How do you turn around a team in crisis? What's the best way to build long-term success? How can you lead calmly under pressure? The issues are the same whether you're managing a Premier League football team or a FTSE 100 company. Here, for the first time, some 30 of the biggest names in football management reveal just what it takes. With their every decision, remark, skill, and success or failure under constant scrutiny from the media and the fans, these managers need to be the most adroit of leaders. In The Manager they explain their methods, give examples of lessons they've learned along the way, and describe the decisions they make and the leadership they provide. Each chapter tackles a key leadership issue for managers in any walk of life and, in their own words, shows how the experts deal with the challenges they face in an abnormally high-pressure environment. Offering valuable lessons for business leaders and fascinating behind-the-scenes insights for football fans, The Manager is an honest, accessible and unprecedented look at the day-to-day work of these high-profile characters and the world of top-level football management. Contents: A Piece of the Action (Roy Hodgson); The Art of One-on-One (Carlo Ancelotti); Behind the Scenes (Arsène Wenger); Building High-performing Teams (Sam Allardyce); The Field of Play (Roberto Mancini); Handling Outrageous Talent (José Mourinho); Pursuing a Career Under Pressure (Brendan Rodgers); Seeing the Bigger Picture (Harry Redknapp); Creating Sustained Success (Sir Alex Ferguson); Crisis Response and Turnaround (Walter Smith); Triumph and Despair (Mick McCarthy). Also featuring: Gerard Houllier, Tony Pulis, Martin O'Neill, Neil Warnock, Howard Wilkinson, Kevin Keegan, Dario Gradi, Andre Villas-Boas, David Moyes, Alex McLeish, Hope Powell, Martin Jol, Glenn Hoddle, Chris Hughton, David Platt, Paul Ince, and George Graham.

Giggs' extraordinary talent on the pitch was unmissable from a very early age. On his 14th birthday, Sir Alex Ferguson turned up at his front door to sign him to Manchester United's Academy and Reserves squad. Ryan's loyalty was fierce, as he remained at Manchester United for his entire career, taking the squad from strength to strength. Through teamwork and his own remarkable skill, Giggs became one of the most decorated players in the club's remarkable history. His talent was not only recognized within the football community; in 2007 he was awarded an OBE in the Queen's birthday honors list.

From the Playground to the Pitch, meet Lewandowski - Ultimate Football Hero Robert Lewandowski is one of the best strikers in the world. Loved for his smart gameplay and relentless goalscoring, Lewandowski gathered a great following at Lech Poznan and Borussia Dortmund. Then, his career reached new heights when he moved to Bayern Munich in 2014, leading to the team winning the Bundesliga six years in a row and becoming Champions League winners in 2020. Follow his incredible journey from a young boy aspiring to emulate his sporting parents, to the man who conquered the pitches of Munich and Europe! Ultimate Football Heroes is a series of biographies telling the life stories of the biggest and best footballers in the world and their incredible journeys from childhood fan to superstar professional player. Written in fast-paced, action-packed style these books are perfect for all the family to collect and share.

9.58 seconds was all it took for Usain Bolt to blaze his way into the history books, with a 100 meters world record that shocked the world. But when Usain was little, he preferred cricket to running. No one knew that the tall, skinny boy from a small town in Jamaica would go on to become "The Lightning Bolt"--the fastest man ever.

Meet Kylian Mbappe - Ultimate Football Hero. Kylian Mbappe has the world at his feet. The young French striker's goals, skills and fearless attacking spirit earned him a £166 million transfer to French champions Paris Saint-Germain, to take on the best teams in Europe with new teammate Neymar. And at the 2018 World Cup, Kylian was the star player, his goals firing France to victory in the final. Now as a world champion, he has just one goal left - to become the best player ever. Ultimate Football Heroes is a series of biographies telling the life-stories of the biggest and best footballers in the world and their incredible journeys from childhood fan to super-star professional player. Written in fast-paced, action-packed style these books are perfect for all the family to collect and share.

Complete your collection with these limited Ultimate Football Heroes International editions – now with a bonus World Cup chapter. Zidane is the fantastic story of the boy who started off on the streets of Marseille and went on to win a World Cup with France, score a legendary volley to win the 2002 Champions League Final, and return to Real Madrid as manager. This is how the poor boy with the incredible talent went on to become the greatest player of his generation.

Meet Ryan Giggs, Classic Football Hero. 'United would never have another wing wizard like Ryan he was unique.' Giggs is the classic story of one of Manchester United's all-time heroes. As a teenager, he was so brilliant that Sir Alex Ferguson turned up at his front door to sign him - and the rest is history. A dazzlingly skillful winger, and one of the most decorated players ever, Ryan Giggs is a true Premier League legend. Ultimate Football Heroes is a series of biographies telling the life-stories of the biggest and best footballers in the world and their incredible journeys from childhood fan to super-star professional player. Written in fast-paced, action-packed style these books are perfect for all the family to collect and share.

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Meet Wayne Rooney, Classic Football Hero. 'You were born to play on this stage, Wayne... the fans want to see something special, so give them a show to remember.' Rooney tells the action-packed story of one boy's journey from the streets of Croxteth to one of the biggest stages in world football. This heartwarming book tracks Wayne Rooney's fairytale rise from child superstar to Everton hero to Manchester United legend. Ultimate Football Heroes is a series of biographies telling the life-stories of the biggest and best footballers in the world and their incredible journeys from childhood fan to super-star professional player. Written in fast-paced, action-packed style these books are perfect for all the family to collect and share.

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Calling All Cowboys Fans! Everything about America's Team is bigger and better, and that includes The Ultimate Dallas Cowboys Trivia Book! It's 14 specially designed chapters that take you behind the scenes of the most valuable football team on the planet-from the very beginning with the origin of the Cowboys to a special Super Bowl section that most teams couldn't dream of filling. Throughout this page-turner, you'll find amazing anecdotes, behind the scenes stories, incredible statistics, and a whole lot more, including: - How the Cowboys tricked the Redskins into allowing them into the league. - Which player got traded after tossing a jersey in his coach's face. - Which weapons were involved in a locker room brawl between teammates. - Which player was an actual cowboy in the Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame. - Why the Cowboys designed the most unique uniform in the NFL. It's all here in an exciting book that any self-respecting Dallas fan must own! From Tex Schramm to Dak Prescott, and everything in between, this book is full of fascinating details that will make you the envy of your friends every Sunday and prove once and for all who the biggest fan of the Dallas Cowboys really is! Test your mettle with hundreds of clever factoids, multiple choice selections, and true or false questions that will set the record straight in any football argument. Never be caught without the answer you need in a sports debate again! It's all the fantastic records, insane quotations, and jaw-dropping stories that will truly make readers the Ultimate Dallas Cowboys fans. So what are you waiting for? Pick up your copy of The Ultimate Dallas Cowboys Trivia Book today!

Meet Cristiano Ronaldo, Ultimate Football Hero. 'As he walked up to take his spot-kick, Cristiano knew that Real would win the trophy if he scored. He had the chance to be the hero yet again.' Escaping the hot streets of Madeira, Cristiano Ronaldo first proved himself as a wonder-kid at Manchester United under Sir Alex Ferguson, before becoming a legend for Real Madrid and Portugal. This is the story of how the gifted boy became a man, a team-player and a legend. Ultimate Football Heroes is a series of biographies telling the life-stories of the biggest and best footballers in the world and their incredible journeys from childhood fan to super-star professional player. Written in fast-paced, action-packed style these books are perfect for all the family to collect and share.

Meet Steven Gerrard, Ultimate Football Hero. 'Liverpool Champions of Europe. Stevie was on top of the world.' Gerrard tells of how a young boy from Merseyside would go on to captain his club for over a decade, inspiring their legendary Champions League and FA Cup wins along the way. This is the story of Steven Gerrard, Liverpool's greatest ever player. Ultimate Football Heroes is a series of biographies telling the life-stories of the biggest and best footballers in the world and their incredible journeys from childhood fan to super-star professional player. Written

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Meet David Silva - Ultimate Football Hero. David Silva is Manchester City's greatest ever midfielder. As he played his way from the Spanish coast to the top of the Premier League, his silky skills earned him the nickname 'El Mago' - the magician.

Pogba's amazing relationship with football began at the age of six. He possessed an inspiring natural talent, and dreamed of playing for Manchester United. In 2011 his dream came true, and he was transferred into Manchester United's official team aged just 17. His talent was obvious, as clubs from around the world competed to have him on their team. After four years at Juventus, Pogba made history after he transferred back to Manchester United for a world record breaking fee. Playing for such an established and coveted team, as well as possessing such remarkable talent, has guaranteed that Pogba is one to watch in the years to come.

Complete your collection with these limited Ultimate Football Heroes International editions – now with a bonus World Cup chapter. Neymar da Silva Santos Júnior is the boy with the big smile who carries the hopes of Brazil on his shoulders. Neymar now stands alongside Pelé and Ronaldinho as a Brazilian footballing hero. Bidding a fond farewell to his home in São Paulo, Neymar's dreams finally came true when he joined Barcelona. Now, alongside Messi and Suarez, he is part of the most feared attacking trident in the game. This is the heart-warming true story of Neymar's road to glory.

Complete your collection with these limited Ultimate Football Heroes International editions – now with a bonus World Cup chapter. In 2002, during the final moments of injury time, David Beckham scored an incredible free-kick, securing England a place in the World Cup. It was this moment that ensured that Beckham would become one of the most loved English footballers, as well as a Manchester United and Real Madrid hero. During a career which spanned twenty years, Beckham won an impressive nineteen major trophies. This is the story of a true sportsman, who earned respect and loyalty from his fans around the world.

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As "Captain Fantastic" of Manchester United and England, Wayne Rooney bears the weight of expectancy from the world's two most demanding fan groups. He is the most iconic, instantly recognizable player in the most star-studded league of them all. How did this formerly hot-headed wild-child manage to control his temper, learn to live with the world's expectation and become a leader against all the odds? Countless world class goals and the most natural talent in a British player since Paul Gascoigne have made him a global superstar. But the admirable way he has matured, grown as a man and led Manchester United through their toughest patch for 20 years has won him the respect of millions."

"With the TV cameras watching, Zlatan roared like a lion. It was his tenth league title in only twelve years but he never got tired of winning." Zlatan follows the Swedish superstar on his amazing journey from the tough streets of Malm to becoming the deadly striker at Manchester United. Along the way he has been a star for Juventus, Inter Milan, Barcelona, and Paris Saint-Germain, as well as becoming Sweden's all-time leading scorer. This is the story of one of a generation's finest footballers.

Complete your collection with these limited Ultimate Football Heroes International editions – now with a bonus World Cup chapter. Diego Maradona is a true footballing legend, and arguably the greatest player ever. The Argentinian playmaker was renowned for his unbelievable skills and agility, as he effortlessly weaved his way up the pitch and through the opposition defence. Nicknamed 'The Golden Boy', Maradona earned ninety-one caps and scored thirty-one goals for his country, including in the 1986 World Cup where he captained his team to victory - scoring the two most famous goals of all time, against England, along the way!

Luka Modric - Ultimate Football Hero. Luka Modric is the boy who overcame his small size to become the world's most creative midfield playmaker. During a childhood playing football in the streets of war-torn Croatia, Luka discovered he didn't need to be big to be the best - he could make a football do anything he wanted, and he could open defences with passes none of his friends would even have tried. Ever since, his rise to stardom as Real Madrid's Number 10 has been unstoppable. Ultimate Football Heroes is a series of biographies telling the life-stories of the biggest and best footballers in the world and their incredible journeys from childhood fan to super-star professional player. Written in fast-paced, action-packed style these books are perfect for all the family to collect and share.

Complete your collection with these limited Ultimate Football Heroes International editions – now with a bonus World Cup chapter. Lionel Messi is a legend - Barcelona's star player and the world's best footballer. But when was young, he was so small that his friends called him 'Little Leo' and coaches worried he wasn't big enough. Yet through bravery, talent and hard work, he proved them wrong. Messi tells the magical story of how the tiniest boy in South America grew up to become the greatest player on earth.

The Official England Annual 2021 is a must-read for all England fans. From profiles of all your favourite Three Lions and Lionesses, to match reviews, this is essential reading for fans of the beautiful game! You can learn about the history of the England national team and discover some of the greatest goals that have been scored over the years, as well as brush up on your knowledge of the managers leading our star players. Plus, even the most ardent fan will find something to challenge their England knowledge with games and quizzes for everyone to enjoy.

Come On England! 2020 IMAGE FOR ILLUSTRATIVE PURPOSES

Complete your collection with these limited Ultimate Football Heroes International editions – now with a bonus World Cup chapter. This is the rollercoaster story of how Ronaldo grew up to become a superstar striker for Brazil, Barcelona and Real Madrid. Struck down by illness on the day of the 1998 World Cup final, he showed world-class skill and determination to come back four years later and single-handedly destroy Germany in the 2002 final to prove, once and for all, that he was one of the greatest strikers ever.

From the Playground to the Pitch, meet Son Heung-min - Ultimate Football Hero Son Heung-min, the South Korean superstar, is now one of the best attacking talents in the world. The Ballon d'Or nominee can do it all - whether it's scoring sensational solo goals by zipping across the field, or telepathically assisting his teammate Harry Kane with another goal. Discover how Son, a young boy from Chuncheon who always dreamed of playing for his country, became a global icon and rose to stardom not just in Asia, but across the globe! Ultimate Football Heroes is a series of biographies telling the life stories of the biggest and best footballers in the world and their incredible journeys from childhood fan to superstar professional player. Written in fast-paced, action-packed style these books are perfect for all the family to collect and share.

Meet N'Golo Kanté - Ultimate Football Hero N'Golo Kanté is widely regarded as one of the best defensive midfielders in the world, but life hasn't always been easy for the Chelsea superstar. Growing up in the Paris suburbs, N'Golo had to work hard to overcome other people's doubts about his small stature and prove himself on the pitch. This is the story of the small boy from the streets of Paris who grew to be an essential member of any team he plays on. Ultimate Football Heroes is a series of biographies telling the life stories of the biggest and best footballers in the

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Meet Kevin de Bruyne--Ultimate Football Hero. Kevin de Bruyne is arguably Manchester City's best player. This is the story of how the young Belgian rose through the ranks, worked hard despite the difficulties he faced along the way, and showed courage and determination to prove his skill in the world's toughest league. His versatility, technique, and goal-scoring ability to have allowed him to become a midfielder like no other this season.

Meet Harry Kane - Ultimate Football Hero. When Harry Kane was released by Arsenal at nine years old for being too small, he had to use all his self-belief to prove that he could make it as a footballer. Now a superstar striker for Tottenham Hotspur and England, his hard work and determination have paid off. Kane is the amazing story of how the boy from North London became the Premier League's most lethal goalscorer. Ultimate Football Heroes is a series of biographies telling the life-stories of the biggest and best footballers in the world and their incredible journeys from childhood fan to super-star professional player. Written in fast-paced, action-packed style these books are perfect for all the family to collect and share.

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