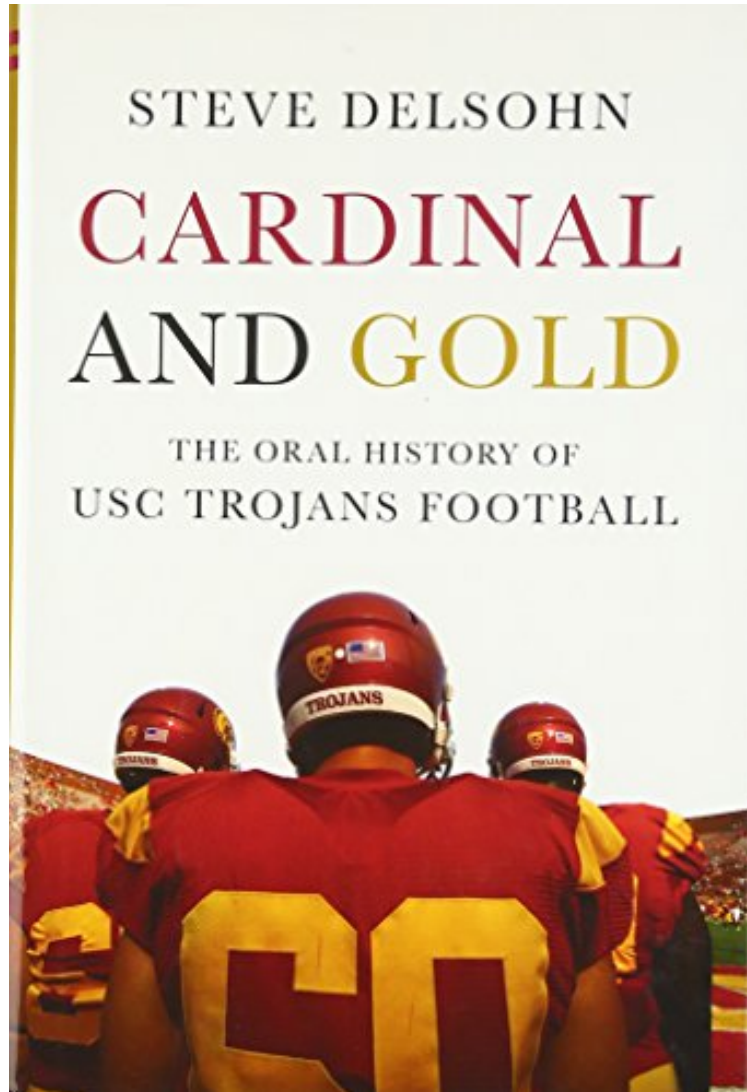


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. You will never look at USC football the same again after reading this book. Chapters 7 and 8 may send you to tears. By Matthew Robinson I enjoyed every single page of this book, especially the Todd Marinovich period (1989-1990) and the teams that were of my generation (1997 to 2005). This book was a candid oral account of USC football from the 1970s to the 2010s periods. I consider myself a well educated

person on USC football (I've been studying them since I was in third grade back in 1991), but there was a ton of stuff in this book that even I didn't know about USC football. One of if not my favorite parts of this book was the seriously candid and in your face quotes from the one and only Petros Papadakis. In this book he really went in on some USC coaches and players as well as the NCAA. Man, Petros is a seriously talented football broadcast-journalist. He wasn't afraid to give his from the heart opinions on his alma mater's football program or the NCAA. Gotta respect that about him. I've read quite a few college (Go Gators! by Peter Golenbock and The Civil War Rivalry: Oregon vs. Oregon State, by Kerry Eggers) and pro football (Sack Exchange, by Greg Prato and Cowboys Have Always Been My Heroes, by Peter Golenbock) oral history books. And I must say Steve Delsohn's effort is by far the best I've read in this genre. And one more thing. The chapters (7 and 8) on Marinovich and the late Larry Smith's relationship may send you to tears. Wow, those chapters were something. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. A Great Read for Trojan or College Football Fans By Jeff McMillan I have been a Trojan fan since the 70's when my Dad worked there. This book was a great read about the storied history plus ups and downs the program has seen since John McKay's departure. Very informative and the fact that a number of the players and staff contributed their comments, made it even more insightful. I would definitely recommend it. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By William W Little A must read for all Trojan Fans!

From celebrated sports journalist Steve Delsohn comes the true story of University of Southern California football, told by those who know it best--the players, coaches, and everyone else who made USC football one of the most legendary programs in America. Over the years, USC has been surrounded by controversy, even as it won 11 national titles and produced six Heisman winners and numerous future NFL stars. This book will tell the story of the program at its best and worst, with a special focus on the past 40 years, starting with the "Tailback U" dynasty years of the 1970s--when the school won three championships in less than a decade--right up through the modern era in which iconic figures such as Pete Carroll and Reggie Bush had tremendous success and went on to NFL glory, but left tremendous controversy in their wake.

"Steve Delsohn's long history of ground-breaking reporting as both a journalist and author imbues Cardinal and Gold with a color and richness guaranteed to captivate fans of Trojan football -- hell, sports of any kind. From McKay to present day you get the untold story behind USC's success on the field and the scandal off it, from those who lived it day after day. Oral histories are a high-wire act...and this book soars." -- Armen Keteyian, New York Times bestselling author of The System, correspondent for "60 Minutes Sports" and "60 Minutes." "The most engrossing college football book I've read in ages. If you love USC—or simply love the history of America's most beloved sport—Steve Delsohn's work is all you." — Jeff Pearlman, New York Times Bestselling author of Showtime "At its height, which was often, USC was a Trojan football empire. It rotated between regal and stunning, arrogant doomed. Steve Delsohn takes us inside the empire—way inside—with the definitive oral history of those glorious rise and those mesmerizing falls" —Gene Wojciechowski, ESPN "An amazing book. I couldn't put this book down. An extraordinary journey through one of college football's Mount Rushmore programs. I highly recommend this book to any college football fan. A must-read." – Paul Finebaum, New York Times bestselling author of My Conference Can Beat Your Conference "Steve Delsohn, once again, captures history by using the direct voices and memories of those who lived it. With striking clarity and behind-the-scenes description and stories untold, Delsohn vividly ties together the story of USC. It's a great read and is a lot of fun to reminisce! " – Shelley Smith, ESPN About the Author STEVE DELSOHN is the author or co-author of more than half a dozen books, including Da Bears! and Jim Brown's autobiography, Out of Bounds. He also wrote Talking Irish: The Oral History of Notre Dame Football as well as several other oral histories. He is currently a reporter for ESPN's Outside the Lines, for which he recently won a Peabody Award.