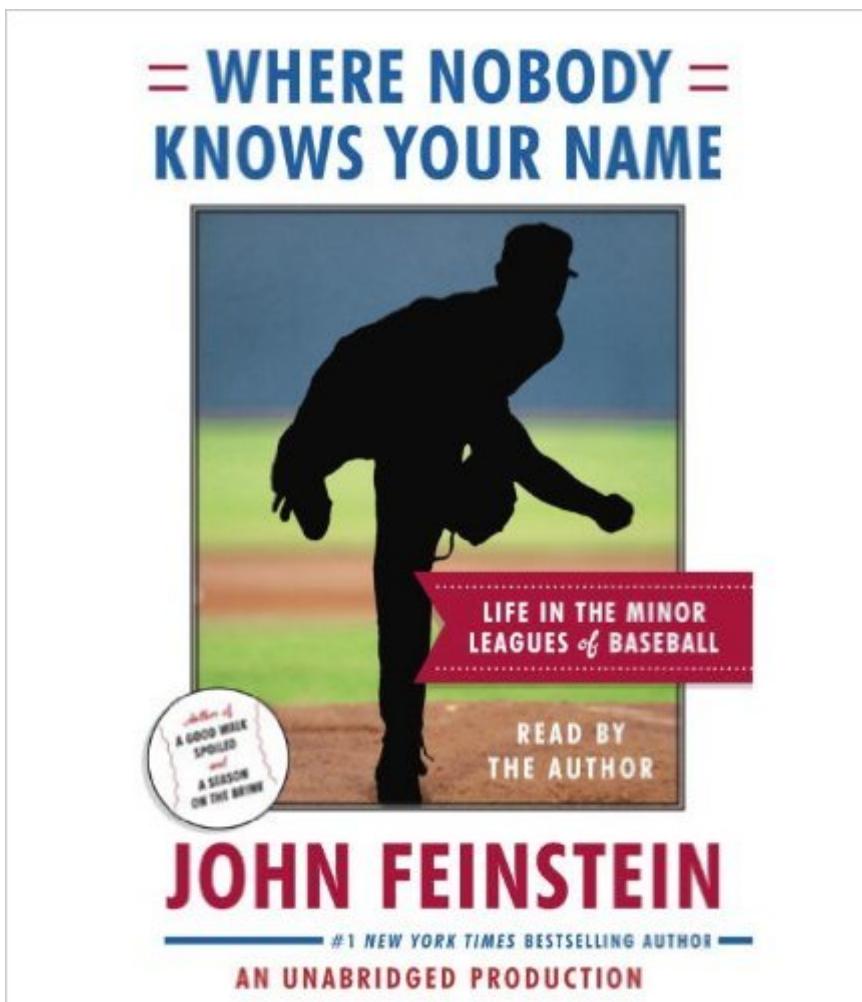


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Where Nobody Knows Your Name: Life In The Minor Leagues Of Baseball



Synopsis

From the acclaimed #1 bestsellingÂ author . . . a riveting journey through the world of minor-league baseballâ œNo one grows up playing baseball pretending that theyâ ™re pitching or hitting in Triple-A.â •Â "Chris Schwinden, Triple-A pitcherâ œif you donâ ™t like it here, do a better job.â •Â "Ron Johnson, Triple-A managerJohn Feinstein gave readers an unprecedented view of the PGA Tour in *A Good Walk Spoiled*. He opened the door to an NCAA basketball locker room in his explosive bestseller *A Season on the Brink*. Now, turning his eye to our national pastime, sports journalist John Feinstein explores the colorful and mysterious world of minor-league baseballâ "a gateway through which all major-league players pass in their careers . . . hoping never to return. Â Â Baseballâ ™s minor leagues are a paradox. For some players, the minors are a glorious launching pad toward years of fame and fortune; for others, a crash-landing pad when injury or poor play forces a big leaguer back to a life of obscure ballparks and cramped buses instead of Fenway Park and plush charter planes. Focusing exclusively on the Triple-A level, one step beneath Major League Baseball, Feinstein introduces readers to nine unique men: three pitchers, three position players, two managers, and an umpire. Through their compelling stories, Feinstein pulls back the veil on a league that is chock-full of gifted baseball players, managers, and umpires who are all one moment away from getting called upâ "or backâ "to the majors. Â Â Â The stories are hard to believe: a first-round draft pick and pitching ace who rocketed to major-league success before finding himself suddenly out of the game, hatching a presumptuous plan to get one more shot at the mound; a home runâ "hitting former World Series hero who lived the dream, then bounced among six teams before facing the prospects of an unceremonious end to his career; a big-league All-Star who, in the span of five months, went from being completely out of baseball to becoming a star in the ALDS, then signing a \$10 million contract; and a well-liked designated hitter who toiled for eighteen seasons in the minorsâ "a record he never wanted to setâ "before facing his final, highly emotional chance for a call-up to the big leagues. Â Â Â From Raleigh to Pawtucket, from Lehigh ValleyÂ to Indianapolis and beyond, *Where Nobody Knows Your Name* gives readers an intimate look at a baseball world not normally seen by the fans. John Feinstein gets to the heart of the human stories in a uniquely compelling way, crafting a masterful book that stands alongside his very best works. From the Hardcover edition.

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Author John Feinstein focuses on eight Triple A individuals--Durham Bulls manager Charlie Montoyo, Norfolk Tides manager Ron Johnson, pitchers Chris Schwinden, Brett Tomko and Scott Elarton, outfielder Nate McLouth, designated hitter John Lindsey and umpire Mark Lollo--during the 2012 season in *Where Nobody Knows Your Name: Life in the Minor Leagues of Baseball*. Feinstein describes his book as being about "a handful of men who run the gamut of life in Triple A; men who have been stars and have fallen; men who have been rich and then far from rich; and men who have aspired to those heights and never reached them." Feinstein writes that no one dreams of playing in Triple A, and virtually no one wants to be there. Most everyone believes he's just "one accident away" from getting called up to the major league club. Players come and go every day and teammates compete against each other for that coveted call-up spot. The player transactions are barely noticed by the regular baseball fans, but they have a tremendous impact on those involved. Triple A is filled with players who are pushing back the inevitable end to the playing days. They are at a point in their careers where getting to the majors or returning to the majors isn't impossible, but it isn't likely. Life in Triple A is often an emotional roller coaster. It is filled with uncertainty, heartaches, disappointments, hope and thrills. Hope is the key. Toledo manager Phil Nevin says, "The worst part is releasing a player because you're killing his dream. Sometimes, the biggest favor you can do is tell a player 'it's time.' They don't want to hear it, but they need to hear it." Feinstein writes that those in Triple A all have one thing in common--a love for the game.

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