

The Secret Life of Siegfried and Roy: How the Tiger Kings Tamed Las Vegas

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Biondi...I hope you liked the book by your friend! Happy you rec'd it.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy CustomerAmazing book. Filled with lots of information7 of 9 people found the following review helpful. FICTIONBy S. QuestMy respect and faith in the accuracy of the authors is nonexistent. Most of the book is paraphrased from "Mastering the Impossible" written by Siegfried and Roy, not to mention the reliance on tabloid quotes, and the fact that claims made by Mydlach in a lawsuit several years back are altered in the book.... apparently he can't keep his lies straight. The book is an utter waste of money.

The Secret Life of Siegfried and Roy reveals the touching, little-known story of how two youngsters founded a friendship, a franchise, and a tempestuous on-and-off love affair that would last a lifetime. On October 3, 2003, animal lover Roy Horn was savagely attacked on stage by his 600-pound white tiger, Montecore. Beating back death after he literally died on the operating table, dark-haired Roy fought for survival. Suddenly the show was over, or was it? In the spotlight as never before, the mauling triggered the relentless press investigation into the secret world of these Las Vegas icons. For the first time ever, the authors detail Roy's traumatic recovery and the agonies of rehabilitating the partially paralyzed performer.

From Publishers Weekly In this light biography of Siegfried and Roy, the authors note that the entertainers kept their intimate lives private, leaving little for would-be biographers to reveal. Jim Mydlach, the duo's security officer for 25 years, his son Louis Mydlach, Roy's bodyguard after the tiger mauling in 2003, and Jim Lavery, longtime show consultant, pad their account with collateral material: the rise of the big Vegas hotels, Siegfried and Roy's various homes, parks and animal purchases, the vogue for white wild animals, the construction of a dolphin attraction at the Mirage and Liberace's sexual proclivities. Occasionally, they include actual Siegfried and Roy gossip, but it's in a coy, wink-wink voice: Insiders say beefcakes, not cupcakes, trigger their sexual appetites. While the authors try for a balanced narrative, it comes to light at the end that two of the authors have significant problems with their subjects. Louis sued Siegfried over his treatment of Roy, and Lavery sued Roy after he manipulated Lavery's lifelong girlfriend into ditching him. This isn't a comprehensive study of the work of Siegfried and Roy, but fans will still have fun with it. (June) Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.