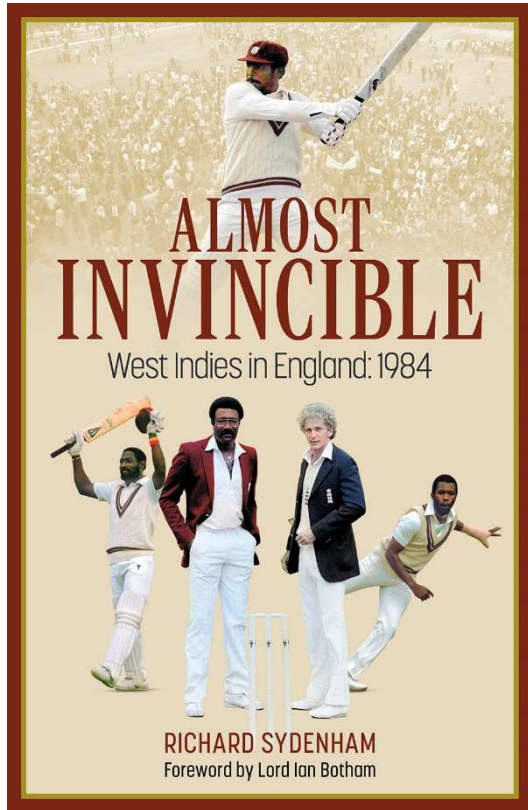




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Almost Invincible

The West Indies Cricket Team in England: 1984

By Richard Sydenham

Key features

- Most detailed account ever of this seminal summer of cricket
- Analyses the so-called 'Blackwash' series from a cricket and social perspective
- Contributions from many famous names, including key players involved in this series: captains David Gower and Clive Lloyd, Allan Lamb and Gordon Greenidge
- Assesses where the 1984 England tour side ranks against other great teams from cricket history
- Author has written on international cricket for 30 years, plays league cricket and now manages professional cricketers, so has an excellent understanding of the subject
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites, podcasts and magazines

Description

Almost Invincible is the story of the West Indies in the 1980s, one of the greatest teams in Test cricket history, at their brilliant best. During the English summer of 1984, captain Clive Lloyd had an array of all-time greats within the ranks, including Viv Richards, Gordon Greenidge, Malcolm Marshall, Michael Holding, Desmond Haynes, Joel Garner, Jeffrey Dujon and others. Facing an England team in transition but still possessing skipper David Gower, star all-rounder Ian Botham and the in-form batsman Allan Lamb, the West Indies followed a series victory over Australia with a 5-0 win in England, a series that was famously nicknamed the 'Blackwash'. The book examines all the side-stories connected with the tour – from the ridiculously frenetic schedule to the closely fought one-day series, from the county tour matches to the intricate details of the five Tests. Author Richard Sydenham has spoken to many of the central characters and reflects on the tour's legacy, both in cricket and social terms.

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