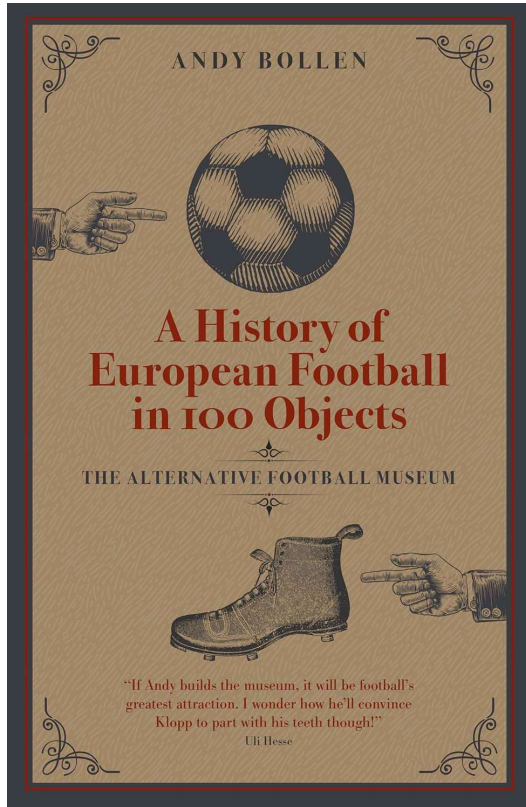




Title information



A History of European Football in 100 Objects

The Alternative Football Museum

By Andy Bollen

Key features

- Bollen's follow-up to his critically acclaimed 2019 book, *A History of Scottish Football in 100 Objects*
- This new collection of sublime, outrageous and bizarre exhibits turns the spotlight on European football
- Features more match-fixing scams than you can brandish a red card at
- Resurrects stories that are shocking, entertaining or tragic, carefully crafted and told with an easy style and great warmth
- Filled with fascinating tales – from the pig's head thrown at Figo to the toilet roll that ended Johan Neeskens's playing career at Barcelona
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites, podcasts and magazines

Description

A History of European Football in 100 Objects: The Alternative Football Museum reveals the shocking hidden history of European football. In this fantasy football museum, Bollen delves into the archives to uncover idiocy and chaos from across the continent. The exhibits highlight the very worst of the human condition: greed, cheating, match-fixing, bribery, extortion and murder. Learn about the French captain who joined the Gestapo, the notorious football-mad Stasi boss, Erich Mielke and Gaddafi's son playing in Italy, the 1970s Lazio side that put Wimbledon's Crazy Gang to shame and the Romanian club owner who tried to stop hooliganism with a moat full of crocodiles. Along the way you'll meet Dundalk's one-armed super striker, Austrian legend Matthias Sindelar and the Italian George Best. Bollen again proves the ideal curator: passionate, meticulously informed and funny. His insightful take on the game is compelling and at times poignant. It is an exhibition for every curious football fan.

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