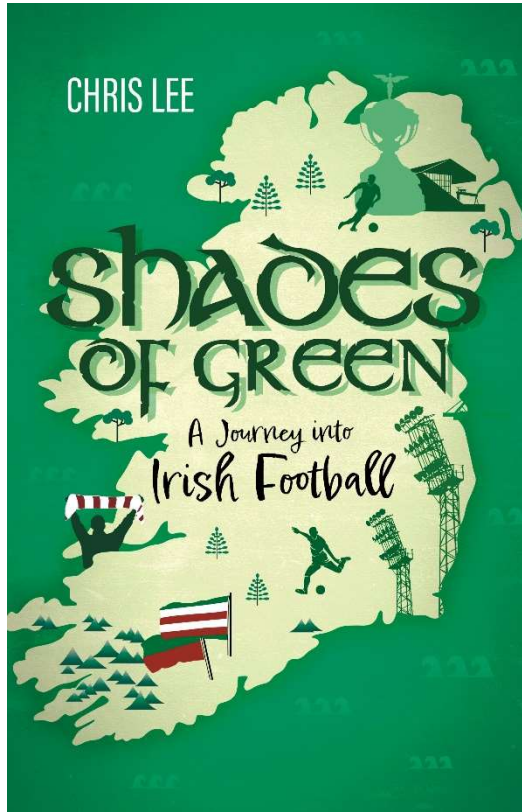




Title information



Shades of Green

A Journey into Irish Football

By Chris Lee

Key features

- Explores the culture and history of Irish football, one of the oldest, most fascinating, but often overlooked
- Combines groundhopping with historical context to help people outside Ireland understand Irish football
- Chris interviews key figures in the Irish game and visits significant places in the island's football history
- This is Chris Lee's third book following the critically acclaimed *Origin Stories: The Pioneers Who Took Football to the World* (2021) and *The Defiant: A History of Football Against Fascism* (2022)
- Eye-catching collection of photos from Chris's travels
- Chris is founder and presenter of the popular Outside Write podcast
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites, podcasts and magazines

Description

Join football writer Chris Lee on a journey of discovery around Ireland to learn about one of the world's oldest soccer cultures. How did Association football – denounced as a 'foreign game' by some – fair after the traumatic split of 1921? Who were the pioneering Irish players and coaches that helped spread the game around the world? What is the matchday experience like for groundhoppers and what's happening in Irish women's football today? Eager for answers, Chris travels around the island in search of historical stadiums, lost clubs, vibrant fan cultures, symbolic murals and more. From the tifos of Dublin's oldest derby to George Best's living room, Chris talks to fans, historians and academics to find out more about the Irish football story. Along the way, Chris uncovers a complex tale of politics, identity and division, but also one of hope, reconciliation and glory.

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