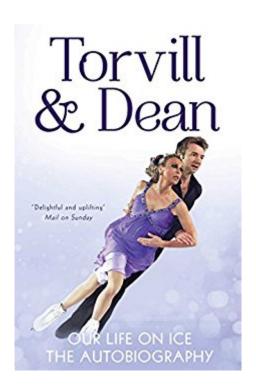


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Our Life On Ice: The Autobiography





Synopsis

When Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean collapsed to the ice at the climax of their routine to Bolero in the 1984 Winter Olympics, the judges could find no fault, awarding them 12 maximum scores of 6.0, while 24 million viewers watching at home in Britain simply looked on in amazement. Suddenly, we were all experts in figure skating, and we wanted to know more about the couple at the heart of it all. Â Â Â Despite intense interest in them, Torvill & Dean kept their lives private, with many still wondering if the pair were really a couple. They turned professional and would eventually spend eight years working on ITV's Dancing on Ice, but still much of their story remained unknown. Â Â Now, in Our Life on Ice, Torvill & Dean finally open up about the challenges they have faced and the pressures of life in the public eye: Jayne speaks candidly about her struggle with husband Phil to start a family, while Chris reveals the heartache in his family story. And of course, there is the skating, and the stories about what inspired their famous routines, and what the pair hope to achieve in the future as the approach their fortieth anniversary working together. It is the book their millions of fans have been waiting to read.

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Watched them in the 80's while living in the UK. You can relive every moment. Great read

Great trade and read - happy to recommend

Very interesting book about two very talented people. Great read.

Good book.

I loved it!

I'm a huge fan of Torvill and Dean and was excited to read their autobiography. While I enjoyed it for the information and background it gave me, I found it difficult to stay engaged in the book due to the style of the writing. Most chapters concerned specific topics, such as fame and choreography, covering everything from that topic during their entire career in that chapter. That meant the story jumped backwards and forwards in their career a lot. Routines such as Mack and Mabel and Barnum weren't discussed in detail until the end of the book, whereas I felt it would have been better to discuss them prior to Bolero, to get the sense of their development as ice dancers. Admittedly, I felt some of these topics worked in this format but some didn't. Also, most of the text was split into comments from Jayne, then Chris, then both of them, back and forth, which also meant the narration itself could be jumpy. Having said that, I enjoyed the wealth of information it gave me and if you're a fan of Torvill and Dean, it's definitely worth a read.

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