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Watching Baseball Smarter: A Professional Fan's Guide for Beginners, Semi-Experts, and Deeply Serious Geeks

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Random House USA Inc, United States, 2007. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 202 x 132 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. Whether you're a major league couch potato, life-long season ticket-holder, or teaching game to a beginner, Watching Baseball Smarter leaves no territory uncovered. In this smart and funny fan's guide Hample explains the ins and outs of pitching, hitting, running, and fielding, while offering insider trivia and anecdotes that will surprise even the most informed viewers of our national pastime. What is the difference between a slider and a curveball? At which stadium did The Wave first make an appearance? How do some hitters use iPods to improve their skills? Which positions are never played by lefties? Why do some players urinate on their hands? Combining the narrative voice and attitude of Michael Lewis with the compulsive brilliance of Schott's Miscellany, Watching Baseball Smarter will increase your understanding and enjoyment of the sport no matter what your level of expertise. Zack Hample is an obsessed fan and a regular writer for . He's collected nearly 3,000 baseballs from major league games and has appeared on dozens of TV and radio shows. His first book, How...



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