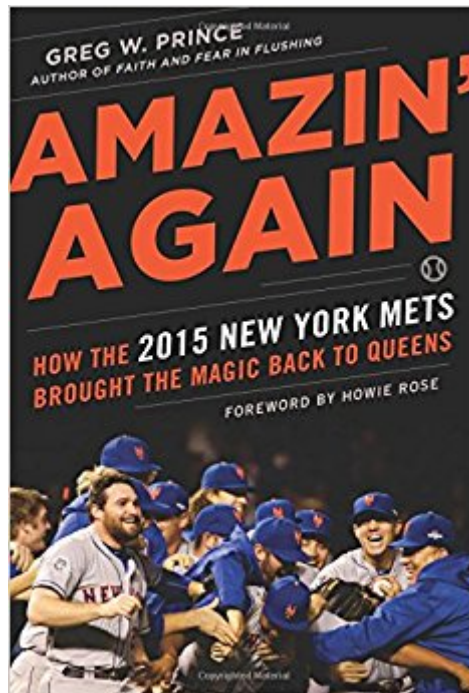


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# Amazin' Again: How The 2015 New York Mets Brought The Magic Back To Queens



## Synopsis

They were coming off a seemingly endless string of losing records. They were considered years away from legitimate contention. They were derided and disregarded as a matter of course. But in 2015 the New York Mets changed their course and changed their story. The result was the best kind of amazinâ™. Against all expectations, these Mets surged from the starting gate, hung tough when adversity threatened to overwhelm their budding chances, and fortified themselves for a stretch drive few could have foreseen. In short order, they proceeded to capture a division title, raise a pennant, and lay claim to the heart of their city. With an unforgettable cast of characters including Matt Harvey, David Wright, Jacob deGrom, Yoenis Cespedes, and Daniel Murphy, the tale of the 2015 National League champion New York Mets is told for the ages in Amazinâ™ Again. Author Greg Prince&#151;cocreator of Faith and Fear in Flushing, the blog that has distilled the heart and soul of Mets fandom for more than a decade&#151;traces the trajectory of this championship season, from its roots in a long-ago amateur draft to its climax within the cauldron of Citi Fieldâ™s first World Series. In between, Prince re-creates the emotions of a year that culminated in the Mets making New York their kind of town once again. Skyhorse Publishing, as well as our Sports Publishing imprint, are proud to publish a broad range of books for readers interested in sports&#151;books about baseball, pro football, college football, pro and college basketball, hockey, or soccer, we have a book about your sport or your team. Whether you are a New York Yankees fan or hail from Red Sox nation; whether you are a die-hard Green Bay Packers or Dallas Cowboys fan; whether you root for the Kentucky Wildcats, Louisville Cardinals, UCLA Bruins, or Kansas Jayhawks; whether you route for the Boston Bruins, Toronto Maple Leafs, Montreal Canadiens, or Los Angeles Kings; we have a book for you. While not every title we publish becomes a New York Times bestseller or a national bestseller, we are committed to publishing books on subjects that are sometimes overlooked by other publishers and to authors whose work might not otherwise find a home.

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## Customer Reviews

When you think of the voice, an actual voice, of the New York Mets, you think of both Howie Rose and Gary Cohen. When you think of the written voice of the New York Mets, you think of Greg W. Prince. In *Amazin' Again*, his words, his prose, take us through a magical Mets season but this is much more than a happy recap: because of his gift, Prince helps us relive what we were feeling during that special season. It takes a special writer to be able to bring out our emotions and he is a special writer. The Mets gave us a wonderful season in 2015 and I'm so happy that Greg Prince gave us this wonderful book. I look forward to his book about the 2016 season with a different, even happier, ending. Thank you Greg Prince and Lets Go Mets!

Not only is this book a wonderful reminder to today's fan of what a bizarre, unique, and fun season it was for the 2015 New York Mets, but its value will only increase as the years go by. Future generations of Mets fans need not wonder what the 2015 season was like. Within these pages, Greg Prince describes in perfect detail what it was like to be a fan during a season no one will soon forget. You read about the doom & gloom that lived and breathed at Citi Field until it's wonderful death-by-Cespedes. You are reminded that, yes, the Mets did indeed seemingly forget how to lose as August turned into September and the Mets ran away with the division. You relive the intense struggle of the Dodgers Series and the unfathomable breeze of the Cubs Series before landing at the World Series, the first to be witnessed in person by the author and described in marvelously authentic detail. I would recommend this book for any Mets fan and encourage them to showcase it in their library, so that their children may one day read it and understand what an *Amazin* year we had.

As a die-hard Mets fan - yes, I watched games in 1962 - I didn't need to relive the 2015 season. I had watched most of the games, lived and died with their winning and losing streaks. But I thoroughly enjoyed Greg Prince's happy recap (well, happy except for the last couple of games). Prince writes about the Mets' re-emergence as a contender with great passion, occasional anguish, and especially wit. He brings back plays I'd forgotten and gives fresh analysis and appreciation for

the plays I remember. A quick and breezy read, but a fun one for any Mets fan.

The 2015 Mets were an amazin' story -- especially when the words flow from a talented writer like Greg W. Prince. This isn't an insider's tell-all, and anyone looking for behind-the-scenes gossip should look elsewhere. Greg's a fan and understands what it's like to live and die with the Mets, and translates why this season was so special for so many of us. We all know how the story ends, but I know how "Field of Dreams" ends and I still love to watch it over and over. Think of this as a souvenir of a magical summer, a treasure that will be still be special years from now as we remember the days of the Dark Knight and Thor, Murph and the Captain, Wilmer and Yeonis, and everyone else who played parts large and small in the team's return to glory. Essential for Mets fans, highly recommended for people who aren't fans -- yet.

Unless science and technology create some sort of nostalgia-driven virtual reality time machine, it will be technically impossible to actually relive the "yes" amazing 2015 New York Mets baseball season. But who needs science and technology when we have Greg Prince and his knowledgeable, insightful, and witty prose to guide us through that magical season? As Prince explains in the first chapter of this book, he "is one of us" a fan. His love and devotion for the Mets permeate each page of this volume, and his adept writing and gently humorous tone made me feel as though I were spending time with a friend who loves the guys in blue and orange just as much as I do. Structured like the season Prince so fondly recounts for us, *"Amazin' Again"* powerfully captures the full range of emotions that 2015 evoked in the Mets faithful -- the hope, the despair, the joy, the vindication, the disappointment, the appreciation -- and most of all the privilege of being a Mets fan. Prince might never have taken the field for our boys in Flushing, but as far as I'm concerned, he "is" their 26th man. Let "em go, Mets -- and keep writing, Greg.

Greg Prince is the Mets the way Lindsay, Bob and Ralph were the Mets, the way Gary, Keith and Ron and Howie are, the way Mr. Met is. Impossible to imagine them without him. And the boy can write.

*Amazin' Again*, by Greg Prince, is great FUN to read!!!! It brings back all the memories of a terrific and exciting Mets baseball season, from a true fan's perspective. Sure, the Mets did not win the World Series...but what a wonderful ride they gave to every fan. I will always keep this book, and read it several times over the coming years!

I am a huge mets fan , and of course last year was something that took us by suprise and something us mets fans will never forget ! This book is a perfect book to take you back to last year and let us readers relive such an amazing year! This author and blog writer is talented and I hope the mets give him a better ending this year!

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