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The Story Of The Tampa Bay Rays (Baseball: The Great American Game)



Synopsis

"The history of the Tampa Bay Rays professional baseball team from its inaugural 1998 season to today, spotlighting the team's greatest players and most memorable moments"--Provided by publisher.

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Customer Reviews

While growing up in southwestern Minnesota, Nate LeBoutillier read any sports books he could get his hands. He now lives with his family in North Mankato, Minnesota. He began writing children's books in 2001 and has published many non-fiction titles. He also writes adult short fiction, novels, and screenplays. When not writing, Nate can be found playing with his kids, listening to music, or training for triathlons.

I had thought I was ordering something like [Expansion To Excellence: An Intimate Portrait Of The Kansas City Royals](#) as I did not check the details. This book is less than 50 pages, it is written for children 10-year-old and above. It is a brief overview of the Tampa Bay Rays from their start in 1998 to 2011. It features color pictures of memorable players and managers, there is an All-Timer selected for each position on the field. The story tells of the Tampa area hosting Spring Training baseball from the early 1900's to teams threatening to move to Tampa until they got a better stadium deal. Unfortunately, there are a lot of other things to do in Tampa besides attend a ballgame so despite some good teams there is not a faithful fan base to attend games, until teams from NYC and Boston arrive. Then the transplants from those cities show up. Oddly, Delmon Young

appears on the cover and then nowhere else in the book. An index at the end is included. Good, brief read for a Rays fan. Happy Birthday Lauren Brooke!

This book was a gift to a friend for a birthday. They are a huge Tampa Bay Rays fan and thought they would enjoy reading about them.

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