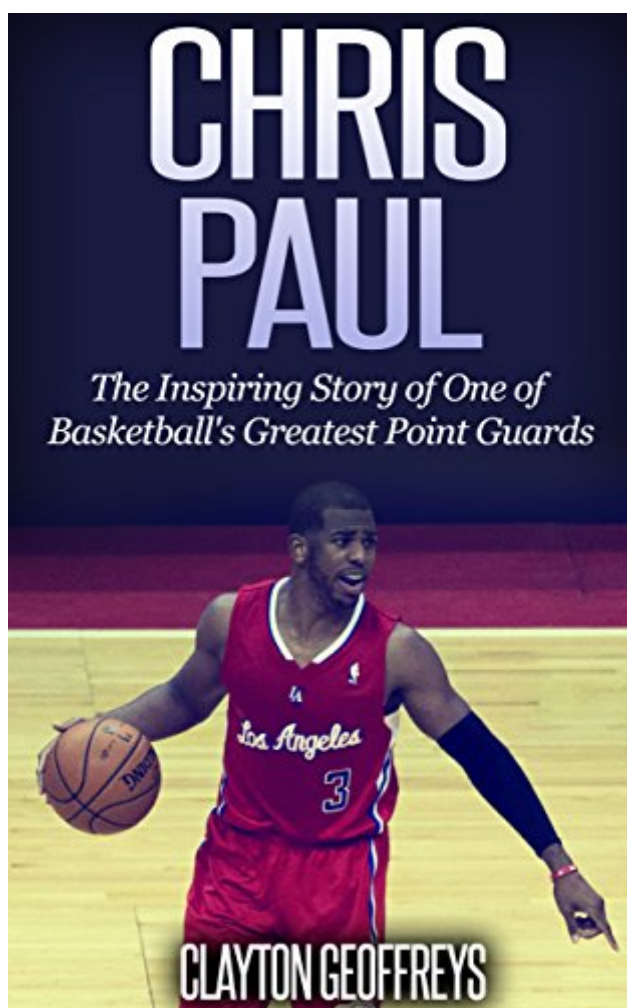


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Chris Paul: The Inspiring Story Of One Of Basketball's Greatest Point Guards (Basketball Biography Books)



Synopsis

Learn the Incredible Story of Basketball Superstar Chris Paul! Read on your PC, Mac, smartphone, tablet or Kindle device! In *Chris Paul: The Inspiring Story of One of Basketball's Greatest Point Guards*, you'll read about the inspirational story of basketball's premier point guard, Chris Paul. Chris Paul has remained a top point guard in the NBA amongst the likes of Stephen Curry, Derrick Rose, Steve Nash, Russell Westbrook, and Rajon Rondo. From once struggling to make the varsity team of his high school team, Chris Paul has come a long way since being drafted as the fourth overall pick in the 2005 NBA Draft. The rest is history as the Los Angeles Clippers have emerged to become one of the most consistent elite teams in the West. In the 2014 NBA Playoffs, the Clippers defeated the Golden State Warriors in seven games. While their success in the regular season has yet to materialize into an NBA Championship as of late, the Clippers' consistency behind the helm of Coach Doc Rivers and the leadership of Chris Paul is truly impressive. Chris Paul is easily one of the most dynamic point guards to play the game of basketball. From flashy crossovers to speedy races down the court on the fastbreak to lobs to Blake Griffin and DeAndre Jordan, John Wall has had an illustrious basketball career. It will be exciting to see how Chris Paul and the Clippers perform this season. Here is a preview of what is inside this book:

- Early Life and Childhood
- College Years at Wake Forest
- Chris Paul's NBA Career
- CP3's Personal Life
- Paul's Impact on Basketball and Beyond
- Chris Paul's Legacy

An excerpt from the book: What if Chris Paul is the greatest point guard in NBA history? Such an assertion seems completely and totally absurd. Magic Johnson won 5 NBA championships and 3 MVPs. He revitalized the NBA with the Showtime Lakers, and had one of the great sports rivalries with Larry Bird. Even ignoring Magic, Oscar Robertson averaged a triple double, John Stockton leads all NBA players in assists by a ludicrous margin, Gary Payton came as close as any individual player to stopping Michael Jordan in the 1996 NBA Finals, and even Steve Nash has led some of the greatest offenses in NBA history. How could anyone assert that Chris Paul, a point guard who has never been past the second round of the NBA playoffs and has never won a MVP, is the greatest point guard in NBA history? However, among basketball analysts who are fans of newer forms of statistical analysis beyond the traditional box score, there are those who believe such a bold statement. Tom Haberstroh, an ESPN insider who handles said newer "advanced" statistics such as Player Efficiency Rating (PER) or Win Shares, has observed that Paul's numbers are higher than Magic. For example, Paul's career average PER, 25.59, is the 6th highest in NBA history and surpasses Magic's average of 24.11. He has accumulated 115 Win Shares over his first nine seasons, while Magic had only 104 over his first nine. Haberstroh argues that these numbers show that Paul is in fact a better point

guard than Magic. While Magic does have more rings and MVPs, Haberstroh argues that this is because Magic got to play with Hall of Fame players like James Worthy and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar unlike Paul. It is possible that Haberstroh is just a journalist seeking attention with a controversial headline. However, Houston Rockets general manager Daryl Morey, one of the leaders in the NBA advanced statistical revolution, has also stated that he believes Paul to be greater than Magic Johnson.

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Customer Reviews

Clayton Geoffreys' book was referred to me by a friend, so although I am not a huge fan of sports in general, I thought I would delve in. I love a story that talks about the life and character of exceptional individuals and this book did not disappoint. As an Angeleno, I cannot avoid the fervor and love of Basketball that permeates this city. While the Lakers, lead the sport, time and time again, there has been a shift in the way the Clippers have been portrayed. Geoffrey's does a fantastic job of describing what the phenomenon that is changing the face of the Los Angeles Clippers, and by

proxy, the view of the Clippers throughout Los Angeles. The book opens, with a fantastic thesis, describing the reason to believe how strong a player Chris Paul is, and why he is perhaps the strongest point guard in the history of the NBA. With incredible statistics to back it up Geoffreys lays at an incredibly strong argument throughout the book. I was particularly moved by the personal history, and the way Geoffreys draws the reader into Paul's life without completely removing you from Paul's life in relationship to Basketball. Paul's life is incredibly tied and wound together in his experiences with basketball - and the reader feels the deep connection when reading. Whether talking about his memorialization of his grandfather Papa Chilly (who was murdered in a senseless act) or talking about Paul's work through humanitarian efforts; Chris Paul comes off as a leader, not only on the court but in life. As an occasional viewer of Basketball, but lover of all things Los Angeles, I could not be more thrilled to read this book. The Clippers incredible rise to success is obviously due to their pickup of Paul, in one of the most controversial vetoes in NBA history, when the NBA owners would not allow Chris Paul to be traded to the Lakers. His leadership while on the Hornets, and now on the Los Angeles Clippers, shows how strong of a player he is. One of the biggest problems he has faced throughout his career has been playing on a team that lacks equally strong players. You simply can't carry a team on your own! Through a series of injuries first to his knee, and then a separated shoulder, Paul has been persistently one of the best players in NBA history. He still has time to lead the Clippers to victory and solidify his place in history with a ring. This is one of those books, that will leave you excited to read more, and hopeful for the future. I cannot more highly recommend it - whether you are either a sports-enthusiast or simply an Angeleno curious about that quirky team the Los Angeles Clippers.

This is an inspiring basketball story about "Papa Chilly" Chris Paul, one of basketball's greatest point guards. You'll enjoy this the most if you're already a fan of Chris Paul and the Los Angeles Clippers, but even if you aren't, there are inspiring tales in this one covering his high school, college, and early NBA career. It's exciting and interesting to read about his long-term impact on basketball and where his career might go in the future.

What a great story! There is no argument that Chris Paul is a great NBA player, but I'm sure that many people aren't aware of his inspiring story. This book includes everything you ever could have wanted to know about Paul. It begins with his early childhood, including stories about his early basketball career and his supportive family life, his college career and the obstacles he has faced. I loved reading about "Papa

Chilly and was happy that this thread continued throughout the story. If you've been curious about Chris Paul or are already inspired by his play, this is a great, quick read that will lift you up and make you smile.

Chris Paul is one of the best to play the game and that's no doubt about that. He may be small but is cool

I chose this "chapter book" to accompany "Long Shot" by Chris Paul as a birthday gift for a young friend. This book went into more detail than an early reader book can, and highlights much more than Chris Paul's raw talent. Chris remains deeply connected to his Winston Salem NC community through the CP3 Foundation. His family is a firm foundation, and their support and nurture still anchors Chris's business acumen as well as career decisions. This is a fine book for young people with a passion for any sport or life experience others might say they are not suited for. And as a chapter book for young readers who might be attracted to the fame of the game, no matter the sport, the book is clear the work and responsibility continues year round.

My kid loves the author and the style of writing.

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I am a fan of biographies, and although not a huge sports fan, I find that sports biographies are so hopeful and offer a glimpse at how famous individuals overcome their circumstances to become champions. This biography is no different. I wasn't a fan of the statistics presented in the beginning of the book, but I assume they would be meaningful to someone who enjoys sports. I was much more taken in by Chris Paul's life story, particularly of how Paul bounces back after the murder of his grandfather. This was a truly moving story, and one I am glad to add to my library of biographies.

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