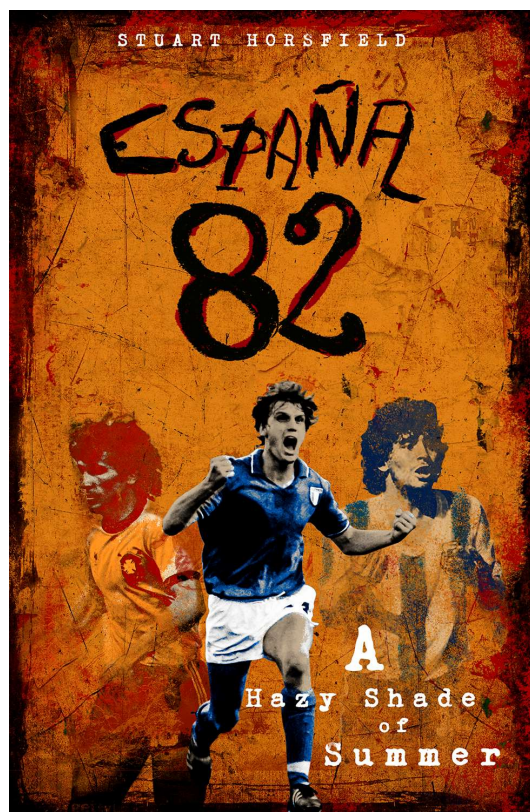




Title information



España 82

A Hazy Shade of Summer

By Stuart Horsfield

Key features

- Nostalgic retelling of the 1982 World Cup through the eyes of a ten-year-old boy whose relationship with football was formed during those four weeks
- Full story of the tournament – from the dark skies of Buenos Aires in 1978 to the undiluted euphoria of Marco Tardelli
- Forensically examines all the controversies: West Germany v Austria, Schumacher's assault on Patrick Battiston and the phantom whistle
- Draws on one-to-one interviews with those who were there, including journalists, players, managers and commentators
- Press coverage from the time is intertwined with the story to recapture the mood and place the tournament in context
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites, podcasts and magazines

Description

España 82 tells the captivating story of the 1982 World Cup. Following the controversial military-led 1978 World Cup in Argentina, Spain opened its doors to the world and an expanded tournament. Twenty-four teams played 52 games in what would prove to be a fiesta of football. The rain clouds of Buenos Aires were replaced by warm, sultry evenings, and underneath the floodlights the Spanish summer produced a hazy heat that radiated through the TV screen. The greatest players in the world – Zico, Maradona, Platini and Boniek – were all there alongside a host of newcomer nations, including Cameroon and New Zealand. Incident upon incident filled the TV screens accompanied by crackly commentary. Schumacher's assault on Battiston, Hungary 10-1 El Salvador, West Germany's conspiratorial 1-0 win over Austria, Kuwait walking off the pitch against France, *that* Italian victory over Brazil and Marco Tardelli's iconic schoolboy-inspiring goal celebration. This impressionable ten-year-old boy returns to relive his own greatest World Cup tournament.

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