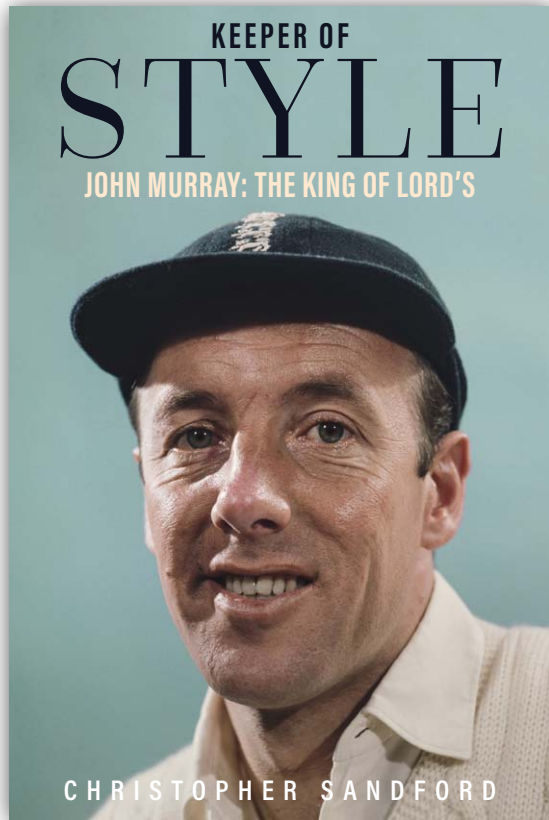




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Keeper of Style

John Murray, the King of Lord's

By Christopher Sandford

Key features

- The reminiscences of the late John Murray, one of the acknowledged greats of English post-war cricket
- Warm, winning anecdotes cover early struggles, glory days and later life
- Written by Christopher Sandford, author of *Union Jack*. 'Political history of a high order. It is the Kennedy book to beat.' *National Review*
- Murray was Sandford's childhood hero, which adds a unique poignancy to the book as a second act to a boyhood obsession
- Colour photo section including pictures from Murray's personal collection, as well as other ephemera
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites and magazines

Description

The life and times of Middlesex and England wicketkeeper-batsman John 'JT' Murray, one of the acknowledged greats of English post-war cricket. Irresistibly cool, glamorous and apparently unapproachable, Murray was Christopher Sandford's consuming hero at the time the author was confined in an English seaside boarding school in the 60s. Twenty or more years later, the two became friends. In 2017 Murray eventually succumbed to a decade-long campaign and agreed to share in full his lifetime's reminiscences, recounting his experiences of a quarter of a century as a professional English sportsman. Murray proved unfailingly generous and humorous (if by no means uncritical) in his accounts of the great Tests, the tours and the parade of celebrities, sporting and otherwise, he encountered. This treasure trove of stories – described not just in the dry accountancy of scores and averages, but in droll anecdotal detail – lies at the heart of a unique cricket book illustrated by photographs, letters and notes from Murray's own collection.

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