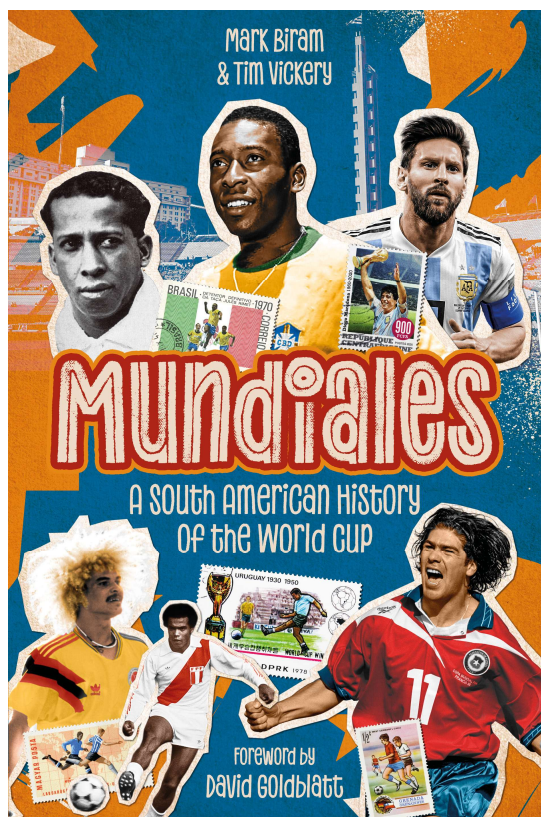




Title information



Mundiales

A Latin American History of the World Cup

By Mark Biram and Tim Vickery

Key features

- Reframes World Cup history from a South American perspective
- Covers 1924–2022 with rich context, from politics to popular culture
- Foreword by leading football historian David Goldblatt
- By Tim Vickery, the BBC's voice of South American football, and Mark Biram, academic author on Latin American sport, the book draws on decades of both writers' immersion and lived experience on the continent
- Draws on Spanish and Portuguese sources rarely used in English works and combines insider knowledge with the outsider's eye, offering depth and accessibility
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites, podcasts and magazines

Description

Mundiales is a sweeping history of the World Cup told exclusively from a South American perspective. From Uruguay's Olympic triumphs in 1924 and 1928 to the canonisation of Lionel Messi in Qatar, Tim Vickery and Mark Biram reframe football's greatest spectacle around the continent that gave it myth, tragedy and glory. This book blends footballing drama with political context and cultural identity, showing how South America not only hosted and won the World Cup but also went a long way (perhaps more than any other continent) towards shaping it into the epic it is today. Drawing on decades of immersion and lived experience, together with research using Spanish and Portuguese sources, *Mundiales* offers fresh perspectives previously unseen in the English language. It is a story of artistry and grit, of style and symbolism, of nations finding themselves through the game. With vivid storytelling and sharp analysis, this is the definitive account of South America's enduring love affair with the World Cup.

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