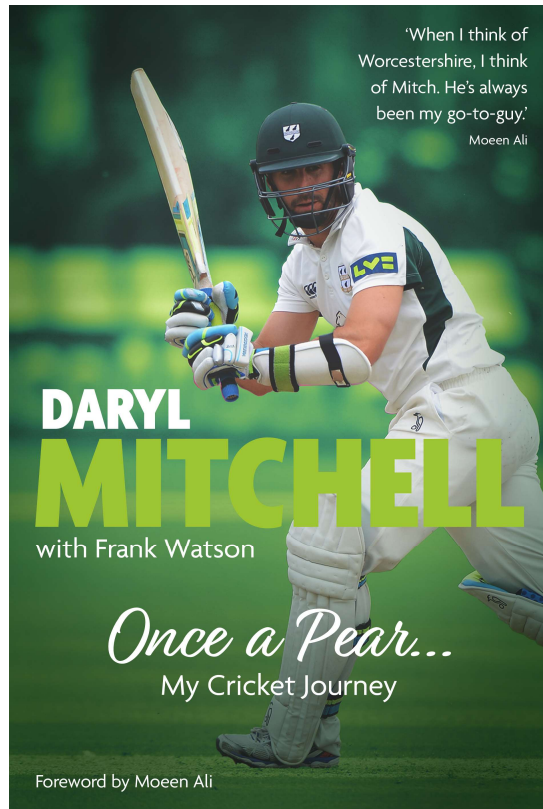




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Once a Pear...

My Cricket Journey

By Daryl Mitchell, with Francis Watson

Key features

- First-hand insight into what it takes to be a successful county cricketer, and in particular an opening batsman
- Explores the issue of loyalty in a changing professional cricket world, and what is it like to win – and to lose – in first-class cricket?
- Daryl shares his views on captains and coaches, and explores how the game has changed in the last 20 years, as well as the challenges that lie ahead for county cricket
- Realistic assessment of the impact of professional sport on players' mental health and looks at the vital work of the Professional Cricketers' Association
- Daryl wrote this book with BBC Hereford and Worcester cricket commentator Frank Watson, who has followed Worcestershire's fortunes for more than 30 years
- Publicity campaign planned including radio, newspapers, websites, podcasts and magazines

Description

Once A Pear... is the enthralling cricketing story of Daryl Mitchell – the ultimate 'one-club man'. Daryl graduated from the village game to become the first Worcestershire captain born in the county since 1925. He turned down offers from other, more famous counties to play for the club for 17 years in a turbulent career that saw five promotions, five relegations and short-form triumphs in the Pro40 competition and the Twenty20 Blast. A club legend, 38 first-class county hundreds put him sixth in the all-time list of Worcestershire centurions, while his 295 catches place him eighth in the fielding records. Four years as chairman of the Professional Cricketers' Association speaks volumes for the esteem he is held in by fellow professionals. In *Once A Pear...* Daryl reveals what it takes to be a successful county cricketer, and the impact on a player's mental health, while exploring how the game has changed in the last 20 years. This is the story of a true cricket man.

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