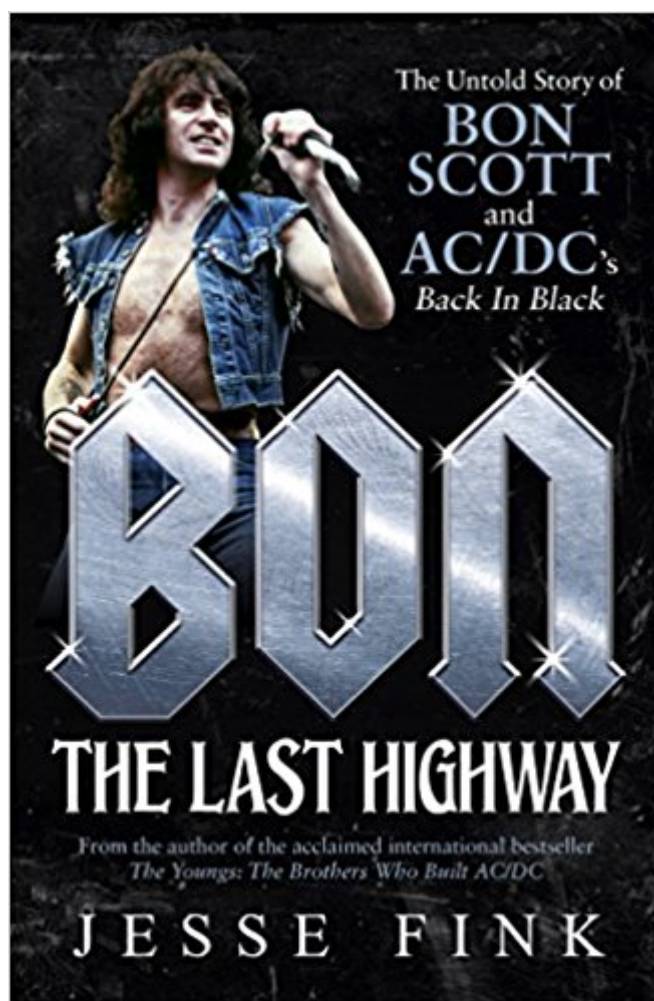


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Bon: The Last Highway: The Untold Story Of Bon Scott And AC/DC's Back In Black



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look at the band addresses the question that he believes most mainstream rock critics have never been able to answer about AC/DC: 'Why have they endured and resonated with hundreds of millions of people and inculcated such fierce loyalty and outright fanaticism?' The answer is the unrelenting tenacity of the Young brothers... fascinating." - Publishers Weekly "This thought-provoking book definitely breaks some new ground. Arrangement by chapters dedicated to specific songs is a satisfying way of telling the AC/DC story while providing music criticism. Scholarly fans will appreciate the bibliography. This one's a must-read for fans." - Library Journal "[A] remarkable achievement of the book, something quite ambitious, is Fink's attempt to intellectually frame the unframeable; the adolescent, primal beauty of AC/DC's music; its origins, its recording, its live presentations, all of it fluffed off by the critics and even the band as something innately incapable of deconstruction or analyzing. Yet, he does it. And you are better for the experience, and so are the music and the band." - The Aquarian Weekly "Fink's ability to overcome the Youngs' code of Scottish-Australian omert  is impressive... a cut above other AC/DC tomes, and Fink knows it." - Classic Rock --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

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