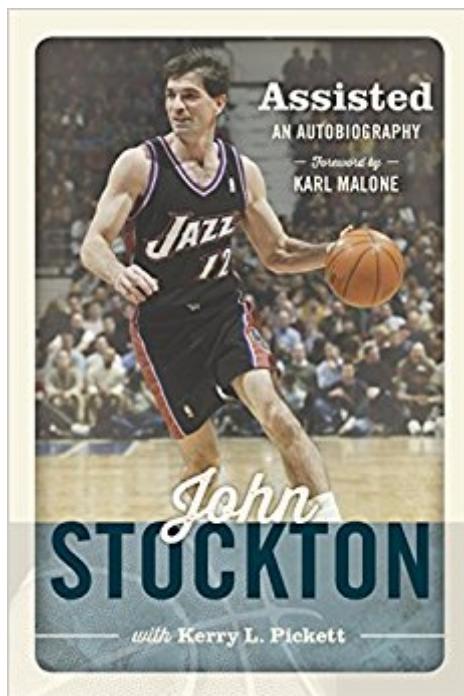


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# Assisted: The Autobiography Of John Stockton



## **Synopsis**

Foreword by Karl Malone A fast, gritty, durable player who could read a basketball floor as well as anyone who ever played the game, John Stockton left the NBA after nineteen seasons with the Utah Jazz, holding a massive assist record, including the career mark (15,806). He also twice led the league in steals with a career total of 3,265 and retired as the NBA's all-time leader. And during Stockton's career, the Jazz never missed the playoffs. Coach Frank Layden said, Nobody thought that he was going to be this good. Nobody. But the thing was, nobody measured his heart. John's autobiography, Assisted, pulls back the curtain on his very personal life to show fans a thoughtful recounting of the people, places, and events that have connected with John along his path of extraordinary success. This book clearly illustrates the importance of his family, his faith, and his unparalleled competitive spirit.

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An unlikely icon whose small-town values led him to take on NBA stardom on his terms. John Blanchette, columnist, The Spokesman-Review The intensely private basketball star gives readers a truly unique look at his career and his relationships with those who helped him along the way. Steve Luhm, columnist, Salt Lake Tribune If you thought you knew the Hall of Fame basketball player, the answer is yes and no. --Brad Rock, columnist, Deseret News

John Stockton became a member of the NBA Hall of Fame in 2009. He and his wife live in Spokane, Washington.

John's autobiography was as simple and humble as he always seemed to be. He goes into great detail explaining his take on the limelight, which is only one of many topics that shed more light on his life and career than probably any other source ever has. One particular topic, his love of his family, struck special chords for me personally. You're not going to get a raw history of the game of basketball according to John. You're not going to get too many juicy details of players at the time. You're not going to get a self-serving account of his accolades. On the contrary, you will get to see players as John saw them: friends, people, and competitors with real lives and feelings. You will rarely hear of an accolade; instead, you will get an account of all the work he put in. If you want the story of a flashy athlete, complete with scandal, money, and sex, this is not the auto-biography for you. If you want to hear about the values of hard work, friendship, and family this is for you. If you just want more insight on the best pure point guard to ever play basketball, this is definitely for you.

This moving book was much more than I thought it would be. A shining example of how we all may aim high, own up to our limitations and occasional defeats, and keep pushing forward while humbly welcoming the gift of wisdom, of love, and assistance from the various people with whom our lives intersect. People of virtually any age may look upon these pages and feel as I did, that Mr. Stockton has given us a tremendous gift in his reminiscences and musings, vignettes that, in total, intrigue, inspire, while serving as a blueprint for how to be an honorable human being in the age of distraction. And we are shown how he hasn't done that alone.

This is one of favorite books. His candid advices and humors are--bon mot. Most of all, he is a good role model, a mensch! I highly recommend this book to anyone, esp., teens. My oldest nephew is 6, but when he is old enough, he will have this book from me. How often could you find yourself agreeing with your childhood idol? Thanks for writing this great book, Mr Stockton.

LOVE this guy! More than just a ball player, he is the only celebrity I look up to as a hero

I really wanted more, but knowing John, it's not surprising that he didn't share the nitty-gritty, behind-the-scenes details of his relationships with his teammates. It was fun, however to read his take on events that every Jazz fan remembers, from the Deam Team Olympics of 92 and 96, "The Shot," and Michael Jordan's flu game. It was fun to read about the all-time leader in assists talking about those who assisted him throughout his life.

I watched and rooted against John Stockton the player for many years as he battled against my Phoenix Suns while admiring what a remarkable player he was. But no one could root against John Stockton the person and his story growing up with good old-fashioned family values.

A great book about a great player. If you're a fan of John Stockton and would like to know some things and people that shaped him as a person and player you'll enjoy this book. Please note that this book does not go into details about particular games and doesn't spend much time on the two championship series against the Bulls. I still loved the book but just wanted to put that out there so people don't go into it expecting that type of detail.

It is some thing I did not know bout John Stockton was great man and love his family great book to read

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