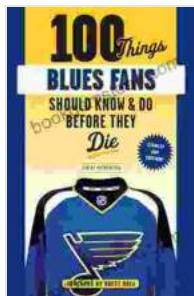


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The Stanley Cup: A History

The Stanley Cup was first awarded in 1893 to the Montreal Hockey Club, the champion of the Amateur Hockey Association of Canada (AHAC). The trophy was donated by Lord Stanley of Preston, the Governor General of Canada, and was originally known as the "Dominion Hockey Challenge Cup."

In 1910, the Stanley Cup became the championship trophy of the National Hockey Association (NHA), and in 1917, it became the championship trophy of the National Hockey League (NHL).



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The Stanley Cup: Facts and Figures

* The Stanley Cup is made of silver and weighs approximately 35 pounds. * The Stanley Cup is 35.5 inches tall and 11.5 inches wide. * The Stanley Cup is engraved with the names of every player who has ever won the trophy. * The Stanley Cup is the oldest professional sports trophy in North America. * The Stanley Cup has been won by 24 different teams. * The Montreal Canadiens have won the Stanley Cup the most times, with 24 championships. * The Toronto Maple Leafs have lost the Stanley Cup the most times, with 14 losses. * The longest Stanley Cup Finals series was in 1951, when the Toronto Maple Leafs defeated the Montreal Canadiens in seven games. * The shortest Stanley Cup Finals series was in 1927, when the Ottawa Senators defeated the Boston Bruins in two games.

The Stanley Cup: Traditions and Customs

* The Stanley Cup is awarded to the winning team on the ice after the final game of the Stanley Cup Finals. * The winning team's captain is the first player to hoist the Stanley Cup. * The winning team's players take turns drinking champagne from the Stanley Cup. * The Stanley Cup is then taken on a victory tour by the winning team.

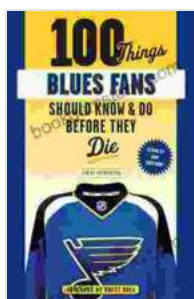
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The Stanley Cup: A Cultural Icon

The Stanley Cup is more than just a trophy. It is a symbol of hockey and a source of national pride for Canadians. The Stanley Cup is also a popular tourist attraction, and it is often featured in movies and television shows.

The Stanley Cup is a unique and special trophy that holds a special place in the hearts of hockey fans around the world. It is a symbol of hockey, a source of national pride, and a cultural icon.



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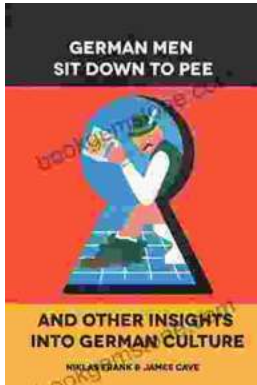
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