The heroes of Grand Prix racing--Fangio, Jim Clark, Phil Hill, Bruce McLaren, Jackie Stewart, Mario Andretti, Nigel Mansell, and Michael Schumacher, to name but a few--are familiar to F1 fans. But would their faces and feats be so well known if not for the extraordinary efforts of the photographers who have captured their images in legendary fashion?

This book gives readers a look at Grand Prix racing's top drivers by way of its top photographers, the father and son team of Bernard and Paul-Henri Cahier. Bernard Cahier began shooting F1 in 1952. In the late 1960s, he was joined by his son. Their images, reproduced here in all their brilliance, capture some of the most memorable, even legendary, moments in the history of Grand Prix racing.

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The author does a wonderful job of creating a personal image of these Grand Prix Racers though a combination of historical facts and more significantly through personal antecdotes of their persona, lives, and character. These stories along with the striking photographs capture the essence of these drivers, and an insight into their triumphs, failures, and in many cases their deaths. Many unsung heros are featured such as Bellof,
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