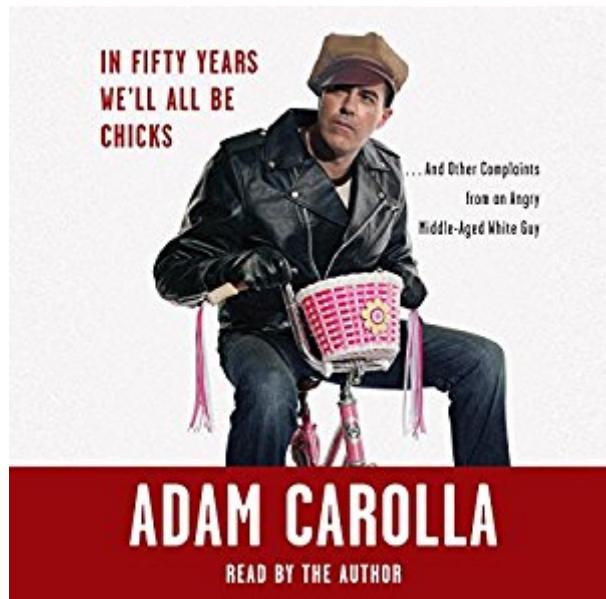


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In Fifty Years We'll All Be Chicks...: And Other Complaints From An Angry Middle-Aged White Guy



Synopsis

"A couple years back, I was at the Phoenix airport bar. It was empty except for one heavy-set, gray bearded, grizzled guy who looked like he just rode his donkey into town after a long day of panning for silver in them thar hills. He ordered a Jack Daniels straight up, and that's when I overheard the young guy with the earring behind the bar asking him if he had ID. At first the old sea captain just laughed. But the guy with the twinkle in his ear asked again. At this point it became apparent that he was serious. Dan Haggerty's dad fired back, 'You've got to be kidding me, son.' The bartender replied, 'New policy. Everyone has to show their ID.' Then I watched Burl Ives reluctantly reach into his dungarees and pull out his military identification card from World War II." It's a sad and eerie harbinger of our times that the Oprah-watching, crystal-rubbing, Whole Foods-shopping moms and their whipped attorney husbands have taken the ability to reason away from the poor schlub who makes the Bloody Marys. What we used to settle with common sense or a fist, we now settle with hand sanitizer and lawyers. Adam Carolla has had enough of this insanity and he's here to help us get our collective balls back. In *Fifty Years We'll All Be Chicks* is Adam's comedic gospel of modern America. He rips into the absurdity of the culture that demonized the peanut butter and jelly sandwich, turned the nation's bathrooms into a lawless free-for-all of urine and fecal matter, and put its citizens at the mercy of a bunch of minimum wagers with axes to grind. Peppered between complaints, Carolla shares candid anecdotes from his day to day life as well as his past Sunday football at Jimmy Kimmel's house, his attempts to raise his kids in a society that he mostly disagrees with, his big showbiz break, and much, much more. Brilliantly showcasing Adam's spot-on sense of humor, this book cements his status as a cultural commentator/comedian/complainer extraordinaire.

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Customer Reviews

I'll admit, I've been an Adam Carolla fan since I heard him on Loveline and saw him on the Man Show. I was baffled when "The Adam Carolla Project" didn't turn into a multi-season show. This guy is a real man, which based off what is spewed across the various types of media in front of me, I'll assume is pretty damn rare in Hollywood these days. While it's easy to see the fruits of his labor have finally paid off for him financially, it's refreshing to see a guy who earned his level of a lifestyle still continue to do what he knows how to do instead of become another pompous a-hole with a checkbook sitting around in white shorts and dock shoes smoking a damn cigar with a sweater draped over his shoulders. Instead of crying about how hard it is to work x days a week and be rich, the man encourages people to keep working despite success and the guy leads by example in my opinion. He's funny because he's not afraid of being politically incorrect, but I doubt he sat down saying "How many topics can I talk about to sound politically incorrect." He's simply got the balls to publicly say what the few remaining real men in this world say only when they're inside their comfort zone, that is to their buddies. It's refreshing to see someone being honest by saying that he'd rather have been in the parking lot handing out cigars while his kids were being born, why white people with nothing else to worry about in life make up the majority of people who participate in fantasy sports, and why only a self entitled clown says they "rescued" a dog when they merely picked the cutest one out of the caged confines of the shelter.

I first became a fan of Adam Carolla from listening to Love Line years ago on the radio. I hadn't yet discovered his podcast when I saw this book for sale back in November. I was skeptical about whether his very funny verbal delivery would translate well into the written word and still be just as funny. It does and is. After finishing the book I gave it to a friend who had never heard of Adam. He laughed out loud by page 3, where Adam compares the shame he felt in 5th grade over his inability to read, after spending years in ceramics classes at an alternative school, to the shame that's felt by incest survivors, only he was raped by a potter's wheel. Not only is he funny, but he makes some really interesting points about human nature. He's got great insight. He makes me laugh, and think. That's a wonderful combo. I don't agree with all of his rantings, but I agree with the majority, which surprises me sometimes. Considering I'm a white female in my forties who is admittedly not the biggest fan of the track record of white males through history, that's an accomplishment. Humor has a wonderful ability to disarm people and get them to laugh at themselves and the world. I've enjoyed

Adam's humor disarming some of my perceptions and helping me to look at things from another angle, exposing me to some of my own prejudices that I wasn't fully aware of. And even tho he is at times an unrepentant pig about his lust for women, he expresses it in a way that I can't help but laugh at, instead of getting turned off and defensive as I usually do when hearing men objectify women. OMG, am I starting to understand men????

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