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Iowa is the most normal place on the planet, so the people and places covered in this book will be as everyday as a peanut butter and jelly sandwich on white bread, but as twisted as a corn dog dipped in horseradish. As filmmaker David Lynch ("Blue Velvet", "Eraserhead") shows in his movies, it's what's beneath the surface that's really tells the story. As for Iowa's story, let the facts speak for themselves.

From the Back Cover Iowa Curiosities is your round-trip ticket to the wildest, wackiest, most outrageous people, places, and things the Hawkeye State has to offer. Humorist Dan Coffey and travel writers Eric Jones and Berit Thorkelson have combed Iowa for one-of-a-kind gems that make their home turf truly unique. You'll meet the Guinness World Record-holding house-of-cards builder, a 13-foot giant sloth wearing a Santa suit, and a man who hiccupped for sixty-nine years. You'll discover the best places to play Hoover Ball and Chicken Bingo; bathe in a Murphy tub; or drink a strawberry phosphate, Pink Lady, or Dipsy Doodle. You'll tour the rotating Squirrel Cage Jail, the only all-mule cemetery in Iowa, and the "Medical Marvels" exhibit, featuring Dr. Downing's choke collection of objects removed from his patients' food and airway passages. Whether you were born and raised in Iowa or are a recent transplant, the authors' home-grown humor will have you laughing out loud as they introduce you to the neighbors you never knew you had and take you to places you never knew existed-right in your own backyard.