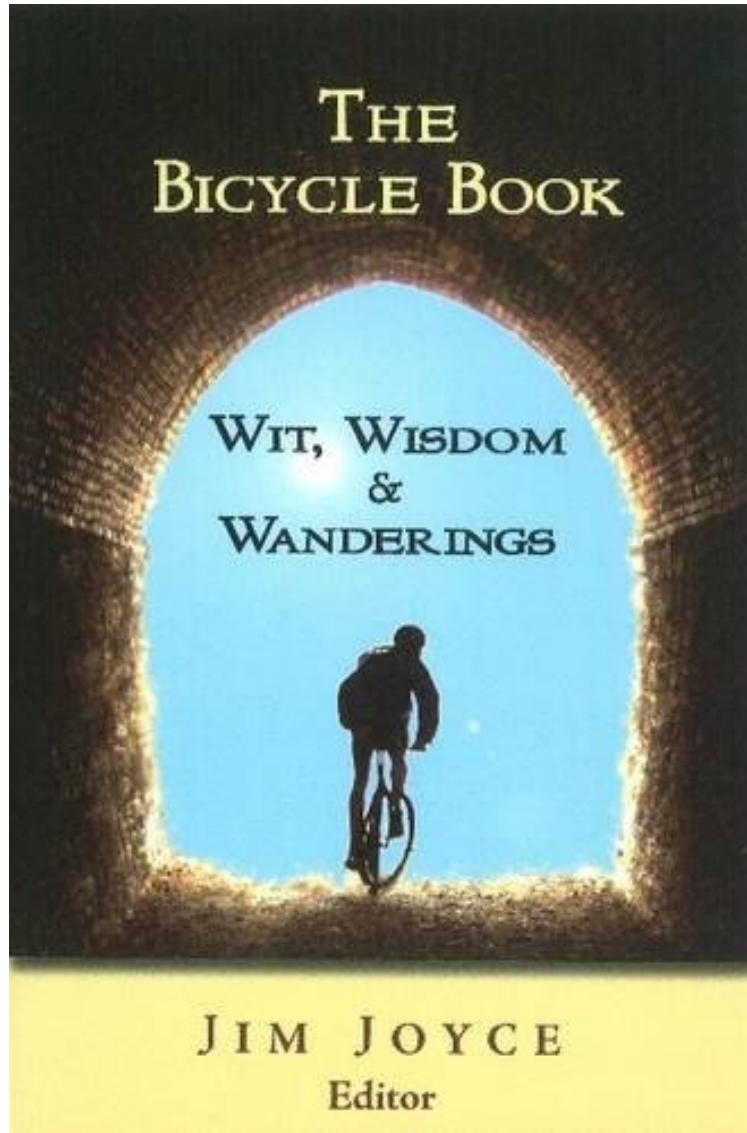


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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A Great Addition to any Cyclist's Bookshelf By Jeffrey Fritts The combination of cartoons and wonderful stories make this collection a must read for all those who ride and love bicycles. The celebration of cycling described in the pages of The Bicycle Book: Wit, Wisdom and Wanderings made

it hard to put down, but put down I did and went for a ride. Only to hurry home; a bit wittier and a whole lot wiser from my wanderings on my bike, to finish reading *The Bicycle Book*. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Limited Audience Book on Reflections By A. Rodriguez I have mixed feelings regarding this publication. On the one hand, I found the inside jokes and anecdotes touching. On the other hand, I could not help but wonder why the author/editor chose to limit the entertainment value to people with some deep experience on two wheels. This book works well for regular bike-travelers, commuters and bicycle athletes. It probably would be mildly appealing to the recreational/occasional rider. But it has little to nothing for non-cyclists and/or new riders. I hoped *The Bicycle Book* would add to what I've been able to draw from *Bike Snob* and *Bicycle Diaries*. With all due respect, readers can probably draw more value than this book offers from a subscription to one of the more down-to-earth bicycle magazines. Still, there is certainly an audience for a book like this one. It all depends on your personal expectations. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. O.k. but not stellar By Dave This is a nice little book, but not quite what I was expecting. Given the cover shot and the subtitle ("Wit, Wisdom Wanderings") I was expecting something a little more substantial, a little more insightful, a little more worldly. Turns out the articles are cutesy but not compelling. There are bad bicycle cartoons throughout (really, are there Good bicycle cartoons??) which also diminishes the overall book. I guess I was hoping for a lot less wit and a lot more wisdom and wanderings. Worth a read and certainly an appropriate gift for a cyclist, but if you're looking for something more substantial such as essays from people who have cycled far away places and interacted with interesting locals, you might want to pass on this one.

The Bicycle Book: Wit, Wisdom Wanderings is a celebration of the bicycle by people who love to ride. It's a tribute to one of the finest, most efficient, useful machines ever invented. It's packed with original stories, narratives and cartoons from a talented corps of writers and artists from around the world. The book features 32 articles and scattered throughout the book is a collection of 43 cartoons from artists whose work has appeared in a wide array of magazines. Pulitzer Prize-winning author, Thomas Hylton, kicks off the collection with *Bicycling and Walking*, a sensible, prescriptive editorial on why cycling-friendly communities are winners. On his heels is *Keeping Up With Lance*, Scott Roberts' exclusive, one-on-one interview with Chris Carmichael, Lance Armstrong's long time coach and friend. Two prominent names in cycling journalism - Richard Fries, editor of *Bike Culture*, and Maurice Tierney, publisher of *Dirt Rag* - comment on the future of bicycling. And that's just the beginning.

This is the book that belongs on every cyclist's coffee table. The laugh-out-loud comics weaved between articles about cycling's bests makes flipping through this book addictive. It reads like an early season's ride; with each crank of a page, you will be reminded of why you absolutely love cycling. Flip through and see for yourself. --Nancy Henderson, Nationals Level Triathlete Fat Rabbit Race and Countryside Cycling Racing Cartoons are among my dearest friends. They make me laugh, they make me think, and they make me money. So I am glad to see the guys hard at work in *The Bicycle Book: Wit, Wisdom and Wanderings*, even if none of them are working for me. Chapeau to Andy Singer, Neal Skorpen and the rest of my fellow scribblers included here, and to Jim Joyce for bringing them all together. --Patrick O'Grady, cartoonist for *VeloNews* and *Bicycle Retailer Industry News* This is a book for people who love cycling. And although I had a few suspicions at first, I must finally have become a real cyclist, because I enjoyed this book. . . . It's the sort of book that you leave lying around and dip into from time to time. For avid cyclists, it's a worthwhile read. --Densie Wrathall, *Momentum Magazine* About the Author Jim Joyce is the founder of *The Bicycle Exchange*, a.k.a. *Bikexchange.com*. He is also a teacher of visually impaired adults and children. He donates 15% of his royalties in equal shares to *SoldierRide*, the League of American Bicyclists, and the United States Association of Blind Athletes' tandem cycling program.