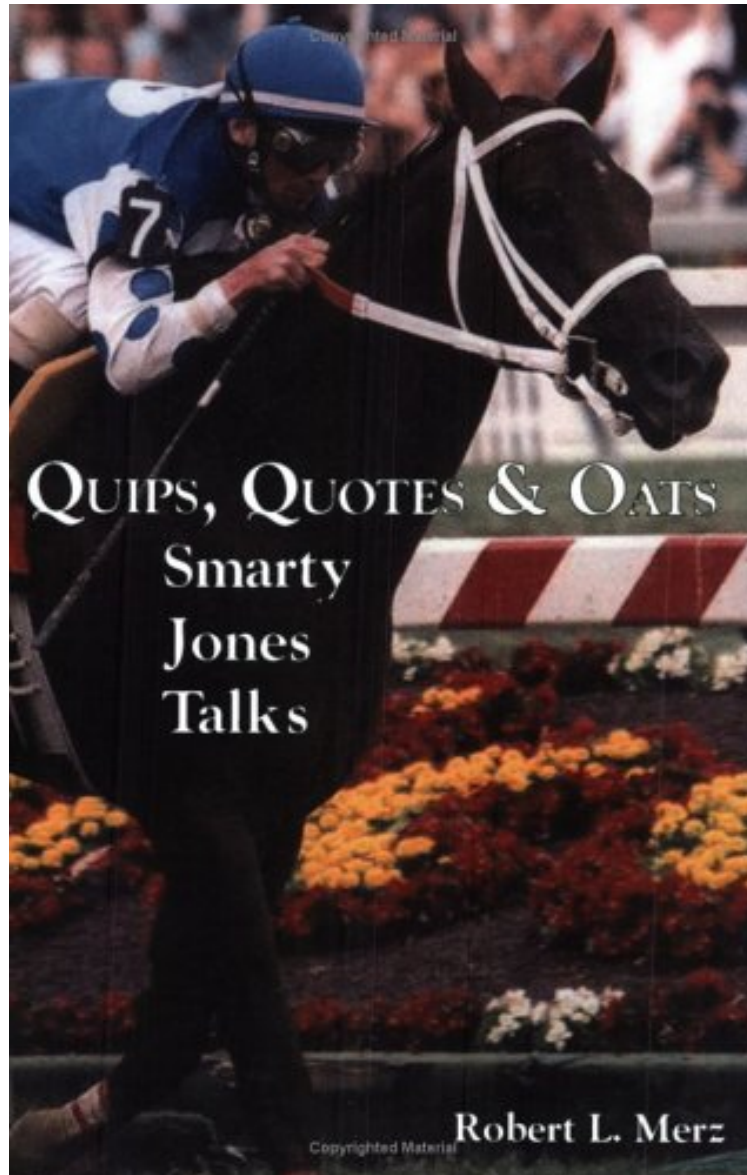


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The funny and feel-good book about horse racing legend Smarty Jones. Smarty tells it straight from the horse's mouth in a book filled with humor and wit. The Kentucky Derby, Preakness, and near Belmont Stakes Triple Crown winner opens up about his life on and off the racetrack. The Thoroughbred Thinker acts as philosopher and humorist for his Team of heartwarming characters. With a focus on entertaining and teaching the reader, Smarty delivers the inside Philadelphia story of his family, friends, fans, and place in history. He provides a stable's worth of wisdom and lessons of life in the fast lane. Featuring over 30 black and white engaging photos, this book is suitable for both the young and adult reader.

"Quips, Quotes Oats" is a very funny book that tells the Smarty Jones story from Smarty's perspective. -- Fox TV's George Mallet,"Quips, Quotes Oats" is a witty paperback...with cleverness and an endearing charm. -- Gary Large, Sports Editor, Philadelphia's "The " My staff and I have read your book and we loved it! It was very entertaining. Thank you so much! -- Dr. Patricia Hogan,From the PublisherAdd the following to "Editorial s:" From ESPN THE MAGAZINE: SMARTY TALKS! The great ones churned out big books this year: Brett Favre, Pete Rose, Bill Clinton...Smarty Jones. Yes, the chestnut colt who captured America's heart by nearly winning the Triple Crown tells it straight from the horse's mouth in "Quips, Quotes and Oats." The recently retired 3-year-old muses on his Philly roots ("I started out a little rocky"), on his post Preakness fame ("All of a sudden, I was The Man. The Horse") and on a family that "treats me like 24-carrot gold." And what of his heartbreaking one-length loss to 36-1 underdog Birdstone at the Belmont? Says the bilingual quadruped: "C'est la vie." (December 20, 2004). Copyright 2004 ESPN, Inc. All rights reserved.