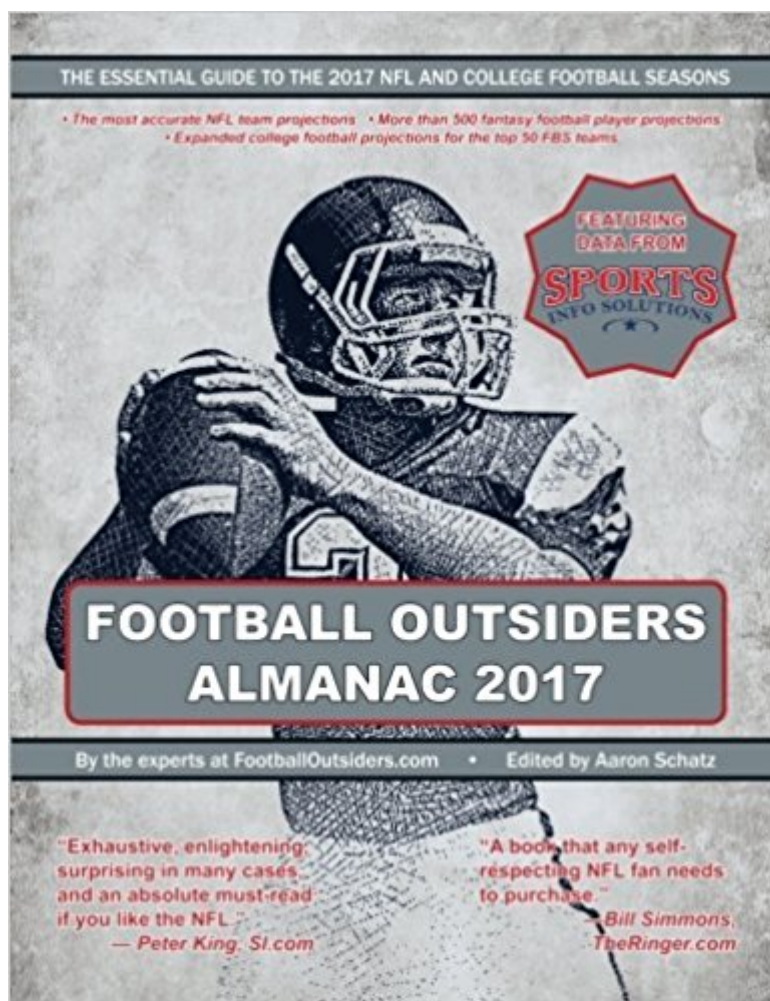


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Football Outsiders do great work. If you want to know why NFL teams win and lose, buy this book!

Best book on football today, as it has been since the first one came out.

Educational and informative, as usual.

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