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The legendary golf novel, rereleased in a special edition with a new foreword by the author.

Don Imus said it best: "Dan Jenkins is a comic genius." And nowhere is that genius more evident than in **Dead Solid Perfect**, his uproarious 1974 novel about life on the PGA Tour. To some, Kenny Lee Puckett, the star of Jenkins's ribald saga, is a more important figure in the history of golf than Bobby Jones himself.

## Dead Solid Perfect Details

Date : Published April 18th 2000 by Anchor (first published 1974)

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Author : Dan Jenkins

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## From Reader Review Dead Solid Perfect for online ebook

### Joel Erickson says

As enjoyable a beach read as you'll find. Jenkins' characters are profane and a little off-kilter, but the wild setup of Kenny Puckett's life rings true, and it's about as funny a book as you're ever going to find.

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### Richard Lister says

If you don't smile often and occasionally catch yourself laughing out loud when reading Dan Jenkins as he brings life to his characters like Kenny Lee Puckett, then you're in the wrong section of the library.

No one has--nor likely will anyone ever--bring so much fun to satire of our games and those (especially Texans) who play them.

"Dead Solid Perfect," like his other novels, is just more fun than sometimes I think ought to be allowed.

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### Frank says

Read this one back in 1974.

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### Patrick says

This was a really fun, quick read. Jenkins' writing is mostly hilarious, definitely not politically correct, but also surprisingly good. While the book is about a golf pro playing in the US Open, Jenkins brings all sorts of other topics into the story, and none are spared his sarcasm. Golf, love, life, Texas, and gambling all receive hilarious treatments. And while a lot of the book is poking fun at things and people, the overall feeling of the book is not cynical. The main character is well written and sympathetic, and the reader gets completely behind his quest for the US Open. If you like golf you will really like this book, but I would imagine it would still be a good read for people who aren't golf fans.

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### Alan Maxwell says

The funniest novel I ever read. (All of Jenkin's books are good). It is remarkable how Jenkins can keep you smiling on almost every page of the book. Maybe being a golfer helps you to relate to the situations, but I think anyone would enjoy this.

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### Andrew says

Half-way through I was ready to give it 2 stars. There were a lot of parts that were terrible- but there was

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some funny stuff too. The golf story was good. That's about it.

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### **Dave says**

While I was reading this book, there were a couple of times that I just had to put it down and roar with laughter. It is absolutely hilarious. For every golfer who ever played Goat Hills.

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### **Bryan says**

#### **Required F\$@&ing Reading**

Dead Solid Perfect was a masterwork when my dad tossed it on my bed, which happened to sit 45 yards from the 17th tee on the north course of Turf Valley Country Club in roughly 1976.

Dan Jenkins is an original wit, a sports writing sage, and a literary hero.

I downloaded the book to reread a scene so that I can recall it in front of a large crowd of people next month in Seattle. And I caught myself laughing hard while trying not to cry as I reread the damn thing all the way to the end.

The book is pure genius. Dan Jenkins is a Texas Treasure. Buy the damn thing.

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### **Lauri says**

Clearly a book written in a different era, and certainly not for everyone. I listened to this while packing up my house, which it was perfect for.

Some of the language is 100% offensive (as I said, writing of a different era), and that is coming from me. The story is fun and silly, and the characters are all unlikable in their own way.

Entertaining, if you can get around the use of several offensive words used repeatedly.

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### **Kyle Boedeker says**

I would have enjoyed this more if it focused more on the golf. I didn't really like any of the characters and the juvenile humor got old pretty quickly. It was entertaining enough to read in the airport, but I was happy when it was over.

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### **Angus McKeogh says**

Pretty good. More thoughtful than I probably anticipated. A lot about golf obviously, but also race relations,

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life and death, marriages, and high jinks. Maybe not laugh out loud funny (and some of the games played with words and phrasing is potentially outdated due to the publication date) but very much a fun read. And you don't have to be a huge golf fan to enjoy it either. Not bad. Not bad at all.

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### **Jenny says**

I cannot remember who recommended this book to me. It's an interesting tale once you get past the language. Being a fan of The Colonial and having heard the stories of the antics from the 1970s, made it interesting. Otherwise, I'm not sure I would have liked it.

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### **Chris Hall says**

Great reading for golf fans. Some great insights on what it is like to battle against yourself and other golfers on the course, along with some decent background plot.

This isn't a masterpiece, but it is fun.

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### **Linda M says**

Hmm. . . well I didn't even read the first page b/c I picked it up for a little blurb and found this totally not my kind of book. Too foul and attempting to be funny about a game I care nothing about. I must be careful about getting book recommendations from talk show hosts in the future.

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### **Tristan Sanders says**

This is quite possibly the funniest novel I have ever read. Dan Jenkins, a former columnist for Playboy and the New York Times has a style all his own. With more curse words per page than any other novel while talking about a guy on the professional golf tour, Jenkins makes an already laughable lifestyle absolutely ridiculous. Another easy, very quick read yet I have read this book four times. So funny.

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