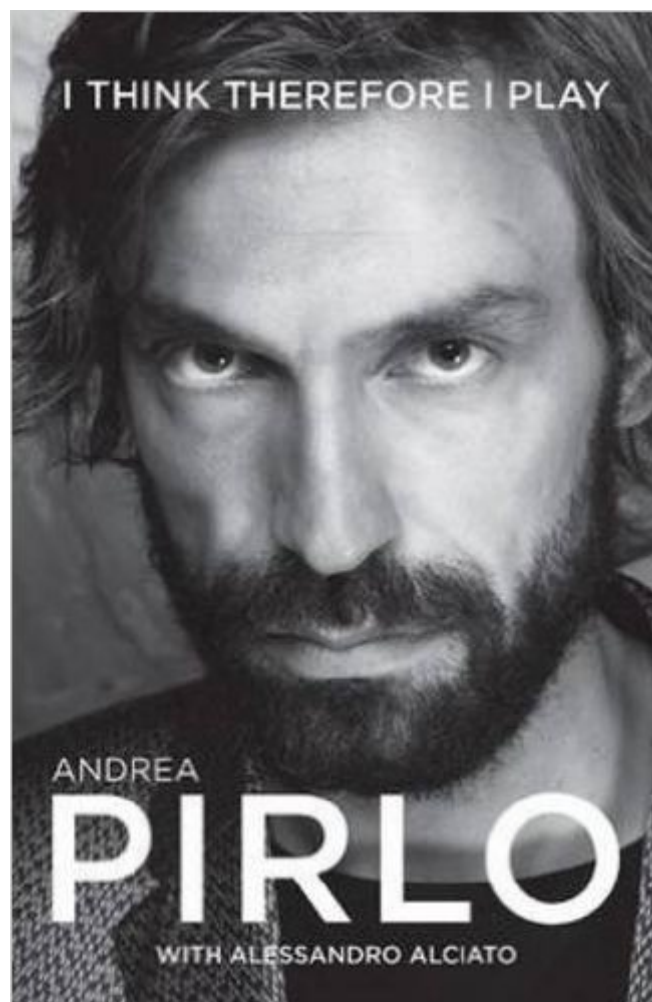


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# I Think Therefore I Play



## Synopsis

Pirlo's profile could not be much higher, having competed in the Champions League final in May 2015 and then embarking on a new career signing with MLS side New York City FC in July 2015. The vibrancy, humor and vivid insight that carry Pirlo's autobiography along confounds his image as a dead-eyed assassin on the field of play. All the big names are in there: Lippi, Ancelotti, Conte, Maldini, Shevchenko, Seedorf, Buffon, Kaka, Nesta, Costacurta, Gattuso, Berlusconi and Ronaldo (the real one). But they're not always in their work clothes. We hear Berlusconi playing the piano and telling a variety of jokes at Milan's training ground. We see Pirlo and Daniele De Rossi drawing Nesta's ire as they take him on a mystery tour of the German countryside in a hire car days before a World Cup semi-final. And we smell the aftermath of Filippo Inzaghi's graphically described pre-match routine.

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When most players play, there is a sense of urgency and tension in their game. With Pirlo however, there is calmness personified. I'd like to believe it's not because he lacks the drive or passion, but because the route to the goal is well-mapped in his skull. And with his book as we'll, one is unable to see the direction of the narrative, but can enjoy the ride nevertheless. We leave the visions to Pirlo.

This book is a stroll, a pleasurable stroll. The pages turn just like Pirlo's passes. His character is revealed. Every fan of modern football ought to get his hands on this book. A great read that makes

you feel all the more affectionate towards Pirlo.

I enjoyed every single page of Andrea's book. One of my favorite players of all time and I only wish there were more chapters! I could read his stories forever.

Andrea Pirlo's account is refreshingly honest, real, full of heart, and draws you deep into the psyche of the ups and downs of one of the greatest legends of sports history. This book serves as an inspiration to anyone wanting to have a real insider's perspective into the world of football. This book is timeless, with lessons to teach to future generations. The narrative is at times humorous, at times heart-wrenching, but at all times gripping and engaging. I could not put this book down and came away a transformed person--something I did not expect. Andrea Pirlo is manifestly not simply a great player, but a great soul who communicates with you through this book as if he were in your own living room. A respectful presentation that I will never forget, and one of the best reads of the year 2015. Thank you, Andrea Pirlo, for sharing with the world your experiences and timeless messaging which enrich us all. -Ria Persad, [www.RiaPersad.com](http://www.RiaPersad.com) - Author of "All Things Are Possible: Unleashing the Superhuman Within"

Very blunt opinions of this legend. However, I feel it is way too short of a book for a man who has accomplished so much and be a role model for millions of people. It was written with very direct to the point with some sarcastic opinions which definitely will make some fans satisfy.

I particularly liked the anecdotes about current and former teammates. The sign of a good book is that when you reach the end, you wish it went on more. That's how I felt about this one. I am looking forward to the sequel and stories about Conte, GiGi etc.

Italian will always be Italian, Pirlo has a different and almost artistic way of describing things, both his playing experience and thought on the game etc .I mostly read British football books /biographies and this one definitely has a different approach.I loved it.

For anyone who loves football Italian style this book will be a joy. Pirlo is candid, droll , sincere and at times very funny. Anecdotes about so many of the Italian greats abound and while this is a quick read it is full of a love for the beautiful game and a reverence for the Azzurri that one would expect from a legend who plays the game so well while appearing to make it effortless. A great book for all

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