

CONFESSIONS OF A CONJUROR

By

DERREN BROWN

A journey through the mind of the UK's best loved illusionist

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Join Derren Brown on a whimsical journey through his unusual mind. Structured around the various stages of a conjuring trick, performed by his younger self in a crowded restaurant, Derren's endlessly engaging narrative takes you from the history of magic, to speculations on the manufacturing of Monster Munch and the correct way to poach an egg, via discussions about psychology, what he hums while cleaning his teeth and the social niceties surrounding Parmesan cheese.

Hugely revealing, hilarious and unlike anything you've read before, *Confessions of a Conjuror* is a refreshing alternative to autobiography that will charm and delight you. Find out just how Derren's mind works, see what motivates him and discover what made him the weird and wonderful person he is today.

Dubbed a 'psychological illusionist' by the media, Derren Brown is a performer who combines magic, suggestion, psychology, misdirection and showmanship in order to seemingly predict and control human behaviour, as well as performing mind-bending feats of mentalism.

For the past ten years Derren has created TV and stage performances that have stunned audiences, debunked the paranormal and encouraged many to improve and enhance their own mental abilities. His first show appeared in 2000, Derren Brown: Mind Control, and followed with Trick of the Mind, Trick or Treat and a series of Specials including the controversial Russian Roulette and the hugely popular events.

Derren has consistently stunned audiences across the nation with his live stage shows, earning him a string of award nominations. He has won both the Laurence Olivier Award for Best Entertainment Show, and a Silver Rose d'Or for Variety. A 2011 tour is planned as well as a possible Broadway run.

In addition to his award-winning performances on stage and television, Derren is also an accomplished artist. Specialising in a unique style of caricatured portraiture, Derren's work has been exhibited at the prestigious Rebecca Hossack Gallery in central London as well as being published in a collected volume, *Portraits*, in which Derren also writes about his passion for the medium and his development as an artist.

His best-selling book, *Tricks of the Mind*, was published in 2006 and has sold 360,000 copies to date.

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