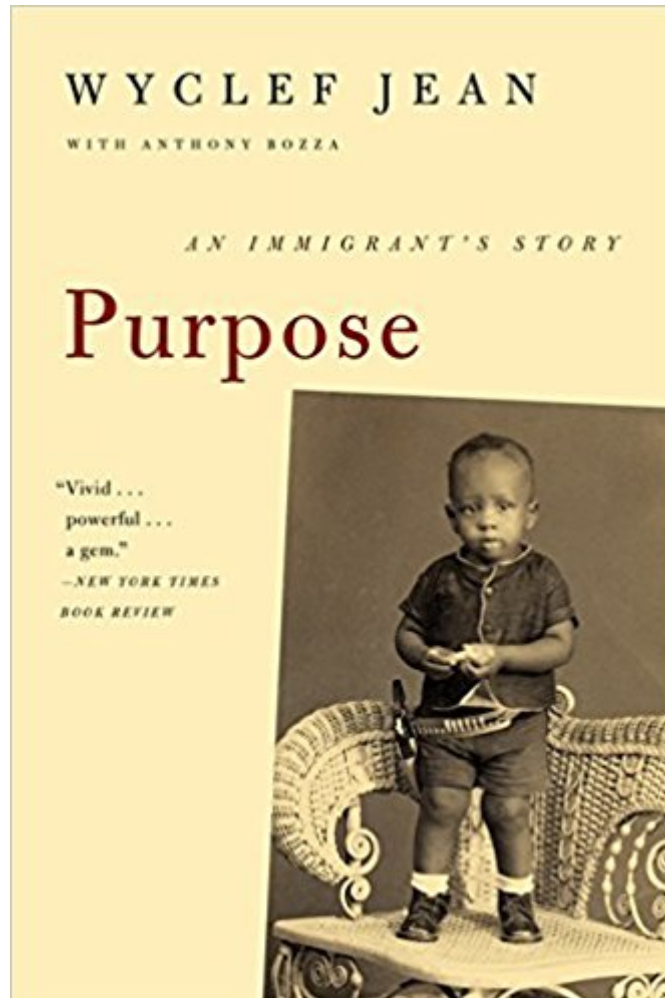




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Purpose: An Immigrant's Story



Synopsis

Purpose is Wyclef Jean's powerful story of a life rooted in struggle, soul-searching, art, and survival. In his own voice the multi-platinum musician and producer shares everything, from his childhood in Haiti to his rise to the top of the American music scene. For the first time ever, Wyclef reveals the behind-the-scenes story of the Fugees, including his partnership with Lauryn Hill and Pras Michel, the details of their award-winning album *The Score*, and the solo career that followed. For fans of early Wyclef efforts like *The Carnival* or later albums like *From the Hut, To the Projects, To the Mansion* and for fans of books like *Jay-Z's Decoded* or *Russell Simmons's Super Rich* Wyclef's *Purpose* is an inspiring, one-of-a-kind look at one of the world's most talented artists.

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"[A] riveting memoir . . . Jean is candid in chronicling the drama of the music business and his heartfelt anguish for his homeland while struggling with success and commitment. (Booklist) Jean's passion for music, his fierce love for his family and for Lauryn Hill, his partner in the Fugees, and his deep and abiding devotion to his native country, Haiti, forcefully reach out and grab the reader. (Publishers Weekly)

Multiplatinum musician, producer, and actor Wyclef Jean's revelation-filled memoir recounts his path to fame...from his impoverished childhood in Haiti to the bright lights of the world stage. Son

of a pastor and grandson of a Vodou priest, Wyclef Jean was nine years old when his family left the Haiti slums for New York. He lived first in Brooklyn's projects and then Newark, where his father converted a burnt-out funeral home into a house for his family and a church for his congregation. Struggling to fit in, Wyclef made his way by competing in "freestyle" rap battles at school, while singing in his father's choir and learning multiple instruments. Within a few years, Wyclef catapulted to international renown with the Fugees. Here he details for the first time the inside story of the group's rise and fall and his tumultuous relationships with Pras and Lauryn Hill. Wyclef also looks back at his efforts to help rebuild his homeland after the catastrophic earthquake in 2010, and his exploratory bid for president of Haiti. Full of drama and humor, *Purpose* is the inspiring, incredible story of a revered musical icon.

Loved the goat story LOL!!! Book was very well written and I could really feel Wyclef's honesty coming through.

Haven't finished it yet, but I love auto biographies especially about one of my favorite groups. His story is a good one. I recommend for anyone who knows who the Fugees are.

This gift was great and can't wait to dive in. Big fan and very excited to start reading this book.

Being a former Fugees fan I could not put the book down till I finished. Good stuff

I heard Mr. Sean being interviewed on the radio talking about his life growing up in Haiti and the obstacles he faced being an immigrant in the US that I wanted to learn more . His struggle to become a hip hop artist and his ultimate success was illuminating. I would recommend this book to anyone interested in the immigrant experience, and to young people interested in hip hop music.

Just downloaded and am hooked from the introduction alone. I'm sure I will be done in less than 48 hours. I love that it opens with a reflective stance on Wyclef's part. #BoogaBasement

It was a great story. Both the author and Mr. Jean kept me turning the page. I especially loved the chapters where he shed light on his relationship with Lauryn.

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