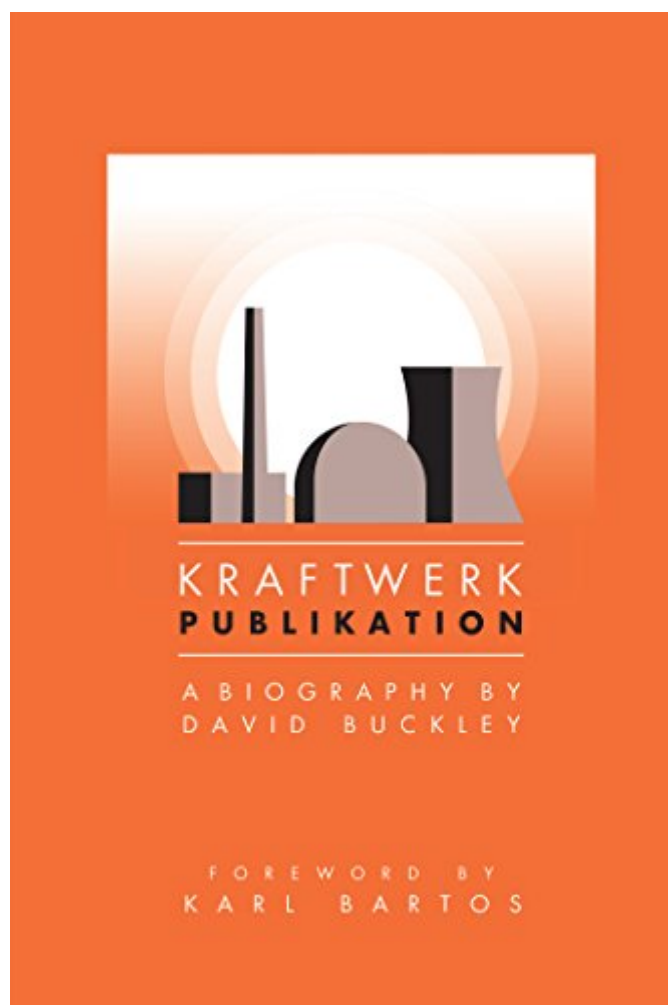


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Updated to include details of the group's recent concerts under the direction of Ralf Hutter. David Buckley examines the cult enigma that is Kraftwerk, including their beginnings in the avant-garde musical terrain of late-Sixties Germany and their Anglo-American breakthrough with Autobahn in 1975, as well as their astonishingly prescient work, which drew the musical template for techno, ambient, dance and all manner of electronic pop. Includes an interview with former member Wolfgang Flür. The inner workings of this most secretive of bands are revealed through interviews with friends and close associates, whilst the story of their incredible impact on modern music is traced up to the present day using interviews with a host of musicians, from original electro pioneers such as Gary Numan, the Human League, OMD and John Foxx, to contemporary acts still in awe of the original Man Machines.

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Customer Reviews

I thought this was very well written biography and a very interesting read. I learnt a lot about a band I

knew nothing about. I did however feel that the author had a real problem with Ralf Hutter - he seemed to blame him for the other members leaving the band and for carrying on without them. Sometimes this problem was in the text and sometimes it was in the tone, but it is clearly there. There was no evidence given that Ralf had pushed anyone out of the band. Florian specifically left because he didn't want to tour anymore and (I would guess) they are probably on good terms still - but maybe that doesn't provide enough drama. Wolfgang and Karl left because they only really got paid when they toured and at that time they were not touring. So it felt like a very unjustified takedown of the remaining member perhaps because the author sees Ralf as milking something he once loved? I can see that perspective but as a younger/newer fan it is great to see them continue (as long as the quality control stays high).

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