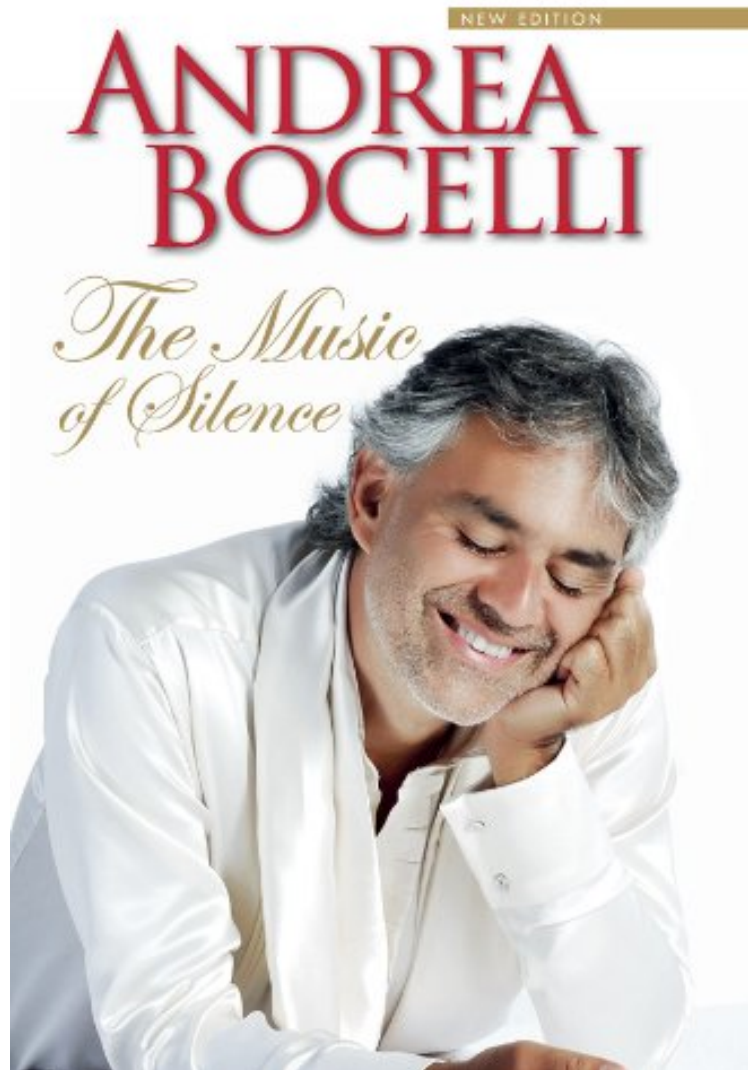


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**Andrea Bocelli : The Music of Silence: New Edition** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Music of Silence: New Edition:

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. It's a beautiful book and when you finish you'll feel like you ...By Lucille M. Zimmerman I go through through these phases where I suddenly wonder about a person or an issue and then I research it to death. Right now I'm in my Andrea Bocelli phase. The Music of Silence is Bocelli's autobiography that deals with his childhood, family, blindness, growing up, dating life, and his rise to fame. It's a beautiful book and when you finish you'll feel like you know the man. What I found most interesting is that there was barely any mention of Bocelli's blindness. In fact, I had to keep reminding myself that Bocelli lost his sight. He

never mentions having to rely on others for help or assistance other than the stories he tells of his mentors and his parents who loved and guided him with his studies and purpose. *The Music of Silence* brought me to tears several times. Bocelli writes from a deep place within his soul. The kind of place we all feel when we are waking early in the morning but one we rarely share with others. Bocelli freely shares his thoughts on vocation, desire, lust, shame, sorrow, death, and love. Just for kicks I googled his little town of Lajatico, Italy and discovered he does an annual concert back in his hometown at the Teatro del Silenzio. Of course it's an extravagant fantasy to imagine myself there, but I did it anyway. It didn't cost me a penny to dream. During the night I dreamed about his music and the little village where he grew up. Last September, when John and I were celebrating our 30th wedding anniversary our group stopped in Volterra. This was part of the Rick Steves Villages of Italy tour. The guide told us Volterra was near where Bocelli grew up. I'll never forget our bus driver putting the song "Time to Say Goodbye" on the stereo as we wound up the hill into town. Beauty in any form is something that drives my life. It's kind of sweet how my husband supports my fascinations. Last night he put us to sleep with Bocelli on the Sonos speakers. Maybe that's why I dreamed about it. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. *Courage* By Penthemom I read the first autobiography that Andrea wrote and wanted to read this updated version. I am glad that I read both. His story is one of a little boy who had to face more than most and was so strong and tough that he refused to let it get him down. It is a story of courage, persistence, and faith that he could do what he had been created to do, and more. More than that I cannot say. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. *Beyond Fabulous* By Patti Hannon The book provided with excellent insight for his climb to fame via struggle, hard work and determination. It makes you even more appreciative of his conquest to overcome his disability and sing with such warmth, tenderness and grace. His love of music comes through loud and clear captivates his audience in abundance. Such a great man and human being. He deserves everything he has achieved and more.

(Amadeus). Few singers have touched as many hearts as has Andrea Bocelli. This golden-voiced tenor has sung to sold-out audiences all over the world, and his legions of admirers have included popes, presidents, and monarchs as well as some of the greatest stars of classical and popular music. In *The Music of Silence*, Bocelli tells his own story in the form of an autobiographical novel, naming his alter ego "Amos Bardi." He writes of a loving family that encouraged his musical gifts from an early age, and of the dedication that led to his professional breakthrough and his meteoric rise to stardom. The first edition of Bocelli's memoir was published in 1999 and focused on the success and difficulties at the beginnings of his astonishing career. This newly revised and updated edition is an even deeper and more intimate analysis of his life, loves, and losses the result of wisdom gained from the increased personal and artistic maturity gained in the subsequent decade of his life. This book will touch and captivate all Bocelli fans and those who admire perseverance in the face of great challenges.