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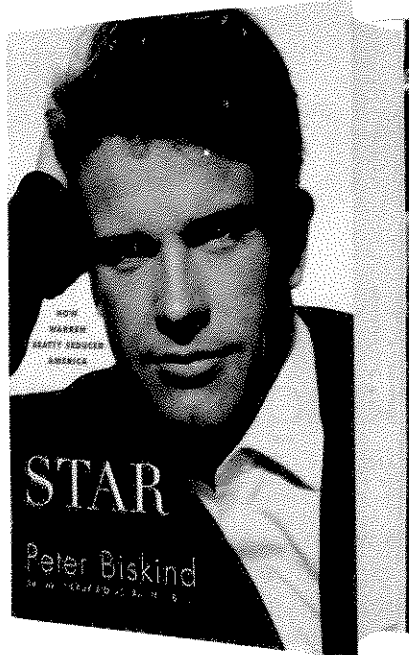
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Star

by Peter Biskind | ★★★★★

REVIEWED BY JUDITH NEWMAN

BIOGRAPHY

How many celeb bios manage to be both exhaustive film treatises and so salacious you may never look at some Hollywood icons the same way again? Biskind has done it, but then he's picked the right subject. An admirer of Warren Beatty's work, the onetime *Premiere* editor is even more in awe of his sexual prowess, which we learn about in

prodigious detail. Before marrying Annette Bening, Beatty bedded a Who's Who of Hollywood, from Joan Collins to Madonna; Collins said he could and did have sex four or five times a day. Hypochondriacal, ruthlessly ambitious and a master manipulator, Beatty had, according to Biskind, an unsurpassed charisma: "When I was in his presence I felt... as if I were a better person because Warren Beatty liked me, or pretended he did." By the end of *Star* we're there too, not exactly liking Beatty but finding him irresistible nonetheless.

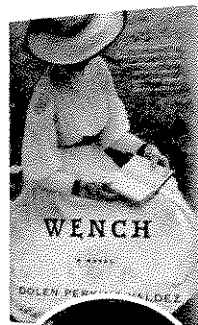
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by Dolen Perkins-Valdez | ★★★★★

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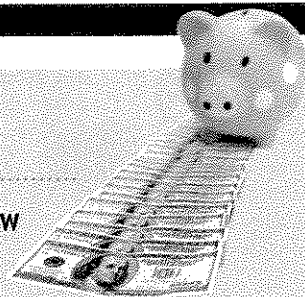
This debut novel is a heartbreaker, full of understated tragedy and lyrical prose. Told through Lizzie, one of four slave "mistresses" who accompany their owners to a resort in the



free state of Ohio in the mid-1800s, the story follows the women as they bond over shared burdens and life changes. When two of the four make a break for freedom, Lizzie confronts the ambivalence that prevents her from trying to leave her master—who's also the father of her two children. Perkins-Valdez has woven a devastatingly beautiful account of a cruel past.

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