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4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Fantastic betting coachingBy Brian J. BentzGreat read, not for first timers at the track, but for people interested in how to properly structure their exotic bets. This is not a handicapping

book. Look to Handicapping 101 by Brad Free for excellent advice in that regard. Crist illustrates how your money is best invested into exotic wagers when you have opinions of horses in specific races, regardless of how you got them. Exactas, trifectas, superfectas, pick 3, pick 4, pick 6, tax issues, all covered very well in this book. buy it; with the money you save off not boxing your bets and emphasizing your opinions with multiple tickets you'll pay for it in (less than) a day at the track. btw, don't accidentally leave this book in a metro station, it gets taken. Trust me.10 of 12 people found the following review helpful. VERY READABLE INTRO TO EXOTIC BETTINGBy Michael W. KennedySteven Crist has been a horse-racing columnist, CEO of the Daily Racing Form and is the author of three other books on horse racing. His latest book, EXOTIC BETTING, attempts to fulfill a need, he explains, to glean more profits from racing through "exotic betting" at a time when shorter horse fields and more information available to savier handicappers has made it harder to make money with "straight bets": win, place and show. In EXOTIC BETTING, Mr. Crist patiently and lucidly lays out the mathematics behind daily doubles, exactas, trifectas, pick threes, etc., the so-called exotic plays. At one time, these bets were exotic when win, place and show predominated. But now, exotic betting is a feature at every racetrack. EXOTIC BETTING focuses on intrarace exotic bets like the exacta and trifecta and interrace exotic bets like the daily double and the pick three. Mr. Crist offers betting strategies for each of the exotic bet types. While I have seen most of these ideas in different places elsewhere, Mr. Crist brings them all together in one reference and explains them in very readable prose. Using the principals presented in the first part of EXOTIC BETTING, he finishes by taking the reader through his actual betting at the 2005 Breeder's Cup. A few more examples of the strategies discussed could have been interesting if not necessary but, all-in-all, this is an excellent book and I highly recommended EXOTIC BETTING for the casual or more serious horse player who wants to be a better exotics player.2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. math anglesBy smarty jonesI liked this book because it shows you how to strengthen your bet and how the normal way of betting can be enhanced by change the WAY you bet. Instead of picking the ones you like and wheeling them over all, why not pick a different strategy and weight your bets according to their payoffs. Mathematically, he lays out for you how to do this, and more importantly the WHY to do it this way---smarter betting for a nicer payoff. It does discuss math, so hold on to your hats--betting on horses is a math game, duh.

In Exotic Betting, the horseplayer takes a colorful wagering ride by learning to maximize profits by betting on a multitude of exotic wagers including the daily double, exacta, trifecta, quinella, superfecta, pick 3, 4, and 6.

From the Inside Flap"This is not a book about how to pick winners at the racetrack," writes Steven Crist in the opening lines of this unique and long-awaited book about playing the races. Exotic Betting instead argues that how to bet is as important as who you like, especially in the 21st-century world of horse racing, where a new menu of wagers such as the superfecta and pick four have overtaken the familiar win, place, and show betting of yesteryear.Both serious and casual horseplayers will benefit from understanding the strategy and mechanics of making these complex wagers, a topic generally ignored in the literature of handicapping but now more important than ever. Crist explores each of racings so-called exotic wagers, including exactas, trifectas, superfectas, doubles, pick threes, pick fours, and pick sixes. Drawing on his personal experiences as a bettor and as a racing journalist and executive, Crist outlines both the common mistakes made by the betting public and some alternative approaches that can lead to more profitable returns and to greater enjoyment of an endlessly intricate and fascinating game.Crist, known as the King of the Pick Six for his exploits in that jackpot wager, also explores a wide range of practical issues, including the advantages and pitfalls of betting on the sports biggest events, such as the Triple Crown and Breeders Cup, and the unfairly onerous requirements imposed on exotic bettors by the Internal Revenue Service.Whether youre a two-dollar bettor considering his first exacta or a high roller regularly chasing seven-figure jackpots, Exotic Betting will forever change the way you look at and wager on horse racing. Steven Crist has been playing the races and writing about them since a chance trip to Wonderland Greyhound Park in 1976 put a quick end to studying 18th-century English literature. He was the horse-racing columnist for The New York Times from 1981 through 1990; founding editor-in-chief of The Racing Times in 1991-92; a New York racetrack executive from 1994 to 1997; and in 1998 assembled an investment group that purchased Daily Racing Form, where he served as the chief executive until 2002 and remains as the chairman and publisher. Crist is the author of the books Offtrack, The Horse Traders, and Betting on Myself.From the Back Cover"Steve Crist became an extremely successful pick-six player by recognizing this truth: How you bet is at least as important as whom you bet. His book Exotic Betting will change teh way horseplayers think about the pick six, pick four, and other multiple wagers." Andrew Beyer Washington Post columnist "With so many exotics on the wagering menu these days, players are stuck in teh quandary of exactly what pools to dive into to get the best bang for their buck. With his facile bent toward mathematics and teh understanding of odds, payots, takeouts, etc., Crist succeeds in breaking down teh pluses and minuses of doubles, exactas, tris, supers, etc. in a logical way. This book is a plus for anyone who takes this difficult game seriously." Bob Neumeier NBN Sports "In a sport known for ups and downs, Steve Crist is a beacon of consistency. Besides his intelligent horse-racing commentary, he simplifies teh complexities of exotic wagering better than anyone. Crist would be my first choice as professor in teh classroom of

betting strategy." Randy Moss ABC/ESPN horse-racing analyst
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