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Description:

: You don't have to be a rabid Chris Farley fan to enjoy *The Chris Farley Show*, an honest, endearing oral biography about a truly funny, deeply troubled addict that is as likely to make you cry as it is to make you laugh out loud. Made up mostly of excerpts from intimate interviews with family, childhood friends, famous castmates, and writers, *The Chris Farley Show* is a vivid portrait of a performer, told plainly by the people who knew him best at every stage of his life. These hundred or so interviews piece together the complex back-story of a hugely talented, big-hearted guy who could make the funniest people in the business laugh with "just a look," but whose vulnerability and "puppy dog personality" charmed friends and family into letting him off the hook--preventing him from getting help when he needed it most. Funny and heart wrenching, *The Chris Farley Show* is a must-read for fans of Farley and of the people who loved him (including David Spade, Chris Rock,

Tim Meadows), as well as anyone looking for a glimpse into life on the stage. --Daphne Durham --
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From Publishers Weekly Chris Farley's older brother Tom is director of the Chris Farley Foundation, an institution dedicated to educating young people about addiction and inspired by the tragic early death of his comedian sibling. Farley has teamed up with Colby (coauthor of *Belushi: A Biography* and also a *National Lampoon Radio Hour* head writer) for this rip-roaring memory mosaic, talking to all the people who either knew Chris the best or were there at the important moments in his life. The interview quotes have been rearranged into a chronological narrative, which starts with Farley's childhood pranks in Madison, Wis., and moves on to the Marquette University theatricals that revealed Farley's flair for improv. Chicago's Second City catapulted him to *Saturday Night Live*, where he performed many well-remembered characters. Next came movies, but drugs, alcohol and rehab lurked in the background of his rise to fame. Molly Shannon recalled: He was just indulging in everything: girls, Chinese food, drugs, booze, cold syrup. Everything. With talents such as Mike Myers, Chris Rock, Conan O'Brien and David Spade analyzing his humor and detailing Farley's escapades and hijinks, this is a boisterous book the comedian's fans will want to buy, borrow or steal. (May)

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