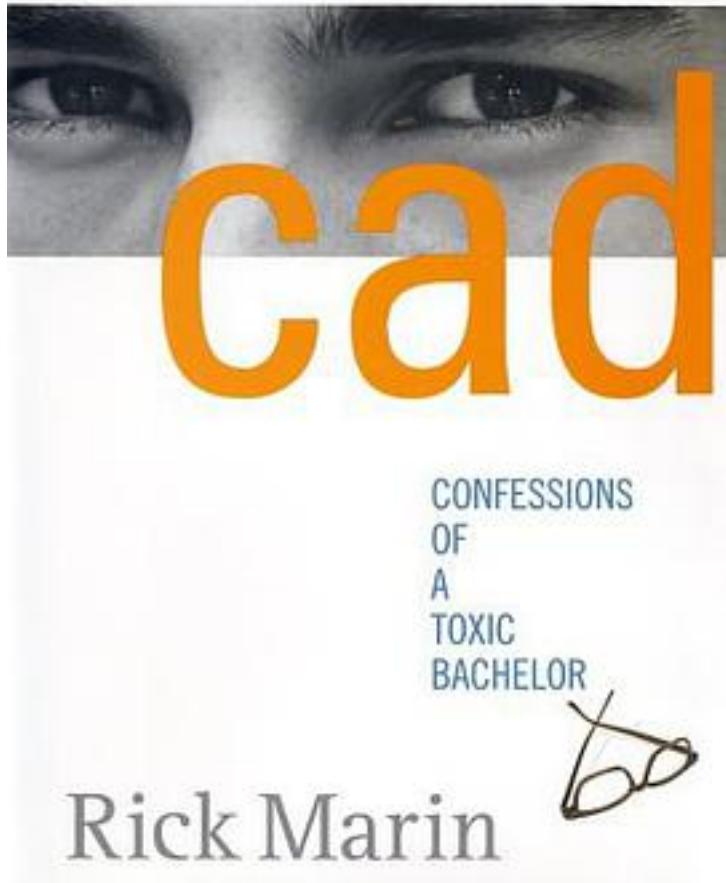


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"I've been there." —Steve Martin, author of *Shopgirl*



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In the mildly entertaining memoir *Cad: Confessions of a Toxic Bachelor*, former New York Times reporter and pop-culture critic Rick Marin chronicles the years of marathon dating and shallow living that followed in the wake of his failed "starter marriage." Marin moves through a series of urbane exploits and short-lived affairs, perfecting his trademark move of whipping off his horn-rims midconversation in a "myopic gaze," holding court with his wingman Tad over the hot buffet at Billy's Topless, and regurgitating wisdom gleaned from *The Godfather*. Like the similarly self-indulgent *How to Lose Friends Alienate People*, *Cad* has its memorable moments--Marin comparing his wedding video to the *Zapruder* film and hitting on actress Moira Kelly when she was still an ing+nue living with her mom on Long Island--but the book's swinging, ring-a-ding-ding Rat Pack attitude feels noticeably forced and uninspired, leaving a flat aftertaste to the whole affair. --Brad Thomas Parsons

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