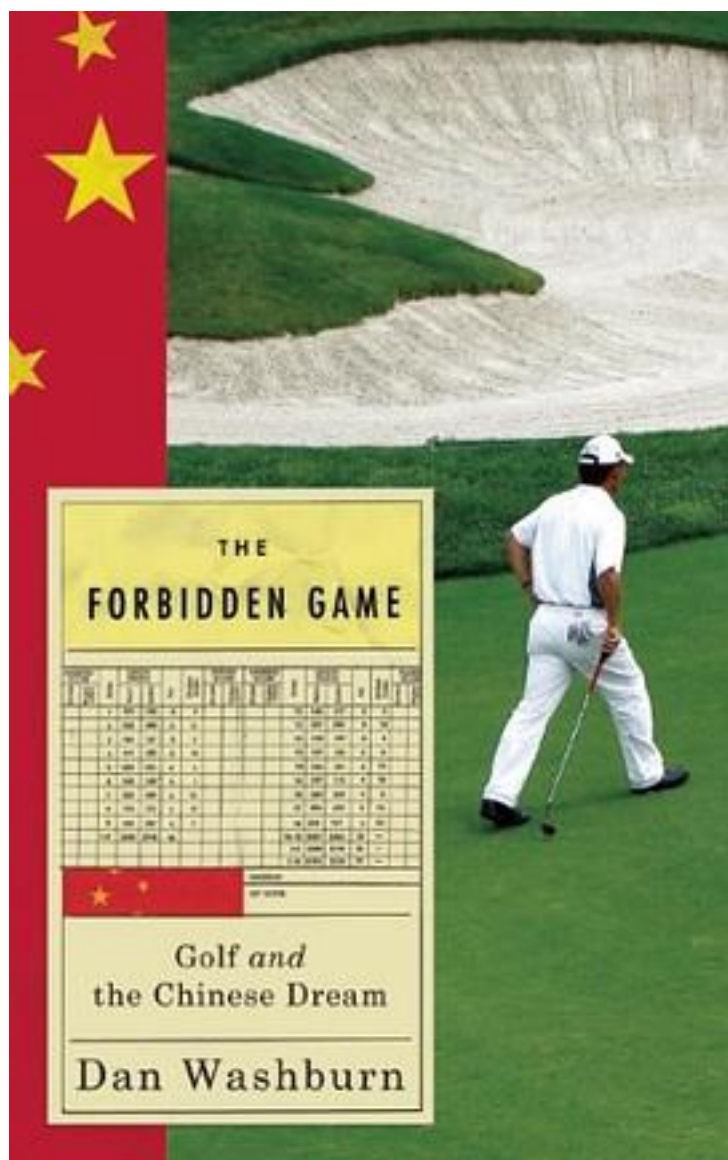


# The Forbidden Game



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In China, just because something is banned, doesn't mean it can't boom... Statistically, zero percent of the Chinese population plays golf, still known as the "rich man's game" and considered taboo. Yet China is in the midst of a golf boom — hundreds of new courses have opened in the past decade, despite it being illegal for anyone to build them. Award-winning journalist Dan Washburn charts a vivid path through this contradictory country by following the lives of three men intimately involved in China's bizarre golf scene. We meet Zhou, a peasant turned golf pro who discovered the game when he won a job as a security guard at one of the new, exclusive clubs and who sees himself entering the emerging Chinese middle class as a result; Wang, a lychee farmer whose life is turned upside down when a massive, top-secret golf resort moves in next door to his tiny village; and Martin, a Western executive maneuvering through China's byzantine and highly political business environment, ever watchful for Beijing's "golf police." *The Forbidden Game* is a rich and arresting portrait of the world's newest superpower and three different paths to the new Chinese Dream.

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## 评论

一般....牵强附会的地方太多了 适合不了解中国但需要装做很了解中国的老外看。

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After reading this book, i found some personal stories, like Zhou very funny, but only use three stories to project the broad problems facing china at large is not convincing. After profound changes since opening up and reform, the stories in China is more than these three stories, and China has transformed in a way beyond the author's mind.

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