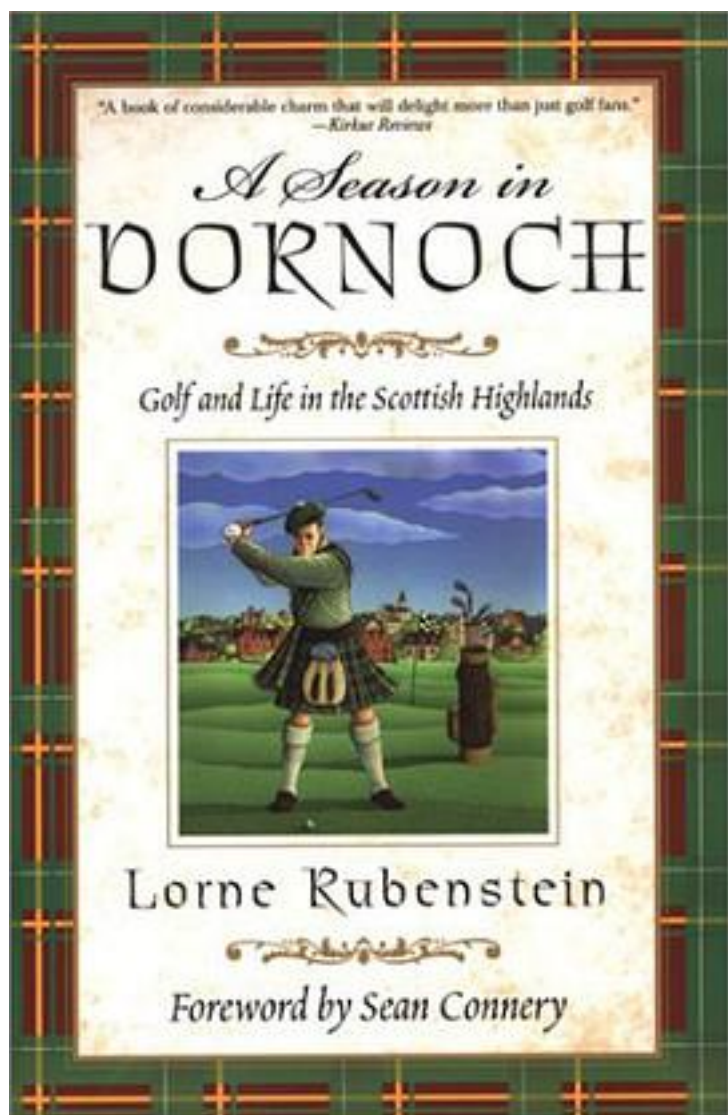


# A Season in Dornoch



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North of Inverness, the "Northernmost outpost of civilization in Scotland," on almost the same latitude as Juneau, Alaska, lies the town of Dornoch, Scotland. This tiny village boasts a four-hundred-year history of the game of golf and has an influence that reaches to renowned courses of the United States. Lorne Rubenstein, a golf journalist, traveled to Dornoch to renew his love of the game, but finds much more -- a rough-hewn countryside with inhabitants to match, and a place that reflects the spirit of the game it helped to create. Rubenstein decided to spend a summer in Dornoch to clear the muddle from his golfing mind, but in the Highlands he found more than bracing air and challenging greens. He discovered a people shaped by the hardness of the land and the difficulty of earning a living from it, and still haunted by a historic wrong inflicted on their ancestors nearly two centuries before. *A Season in Dornoch* is a portrait of these villagers, their thoughtfulness and spirit, and their eagerness to share their world views, their life stories, and a wee dram or two. Rubenstein transports readers to this empty rugged landscape inhabited by colorful local characters, including a bartender who wears a kilt and recites poetry, who are as thorny and quarrelsome as the game they brought into the world. *A Season in Dornoch* is both the story of one man's immersion in the game of golf and an exploration of the world from which it emerged. Like Peter Mayle's *Season in Provence*, it is at once a travelogue, an elegant portrait, and a marvelous journey to a mystical place.

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