



The book was found

IWoz: How I Invented The Personal Computer And Had Fun Along The Way



Synopsis

“The Woz” built the first [personal computer] by hand, by himself. USA Today Before slim laptops that fit into briefcases, computers looked like strange vending machines, with cryptic switches and pages of encoded output. But in 1977 Steve Wozniak revolutionized the computer industry with his invention of the first personal computer. As the sole inventor of the Apple I and II computers, Wozniak has enjoyed wealth, fame, and the most coveted awards an engineer can receive, and he tells his story here for the first time. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

Book Information

Audible Audio Edition

Listening Length: 9 hours and 12 minutes

Program Type: Audiobook

Version: Unabridged

Publisher: Tantor Audio

Audible.com Release Date: December 1, 2006

Language: English

ASIN: B000LMPDMW

Best Sellers Rank: #8 in Books > Computers & Technology > Hardware & DIY > Personal Computers > Macs #32 in Books > Computers & Technology > History & Culture > History #40 in Books > Biographies & Memoirs > Professionals & Academics > Computers & Technology

Customer Reviews

This is a really fun, fascinating, and very informative book. You will learn many things by reading this book. You will learn about the history of personal computers. You will also learn a lot about learning. This is a must read for all students. If you are studying engineering, math, and/or computer science, you will especially like this book. Steve Wozniak had a passion for learning, a natural curiosity and a tireless focus. I found it difficult to put the book down at times. You learn about "the blue machine", "phone phreaking", and some wild ideas like creating a dial-a-joke line. Steve does clear the air about some common misconceptions about Apple's history. You learn a bit more about the Apple II in Apple's history. You learn that some at Apple have not always been given the credit they deserve. Everything from reminding us that Ron Wayne, Steve Jobs, and Steve Wozniak founded Apple, to Steve Wozniak designing the Apple I and Apple II by himself, to the iMac and

iPods being designed by Jony Ive. You learn about Steve's interests other than engineering. Pulling pranks, flying planes, setting up and funding US Festivals (music festivals) and teaching the 5th grade. Steve offers advice for anyone who might "see the future". If you are lucky enough to know what the next big thing will be. Steve doesn't see the biggest & greatest ideas coming from a committee or some company. As it was with Steve, he sees someone working tirelessly alone, that will produce the biggest advancements. It is an awesome and very interesting book. One of the best books I have read in awhile!

I loved his story. Most of us who grew up in that era were very aware of what he and Jobs were doing. They were heroes. I hated the conversational style of writing. I suspect it was done to humanize the story, to make it appear as if the reader was having a face-to-face dialogue with Woz as if friends would talk to each other. That's why I gave it four stars instead of five.

I loved it. I grew up in this era, and I owned an Apple][Plus very early in the game and several more souped versions thereafter, so recalling the history was fantastic. Very interesting person and writing style. Great details about his focus on network designs, etc.

I began reading this book as a follow-up to the excellent Steve Jobs biography by Walter Isaacson. What a great book this was! Steve Wozniak was the sole engineer who designed/invented the Apple computer, the first personal computer that worked with a keyboard and TV monitor. If you know anything about Steve Wozniak, you know that he is a down-to-earth and very honest regular guy. The wonderful thing about this book is that this is way the book reads and flows. Therefore, it's a very enjoyable and quick read. Steve tells how his father explained engineering principles to him in such a way that he understood them completely and absorbed the information. This became the foundation of his passion and interest in engineering. "The Woz" explains every step in his quest to design a personal computer, since he couldn't afford to buy one. He always kept redesigning this computer on paper, trying to utilize as few chips as possible. In between, we hear about his beloved job at Hewlett-Packard, building a "blue box" (device that makes free long distance phone calls), creating a dial-a-joke service, designing a game for Atari, and inventing the first universal remote. This man is brilliant, and Steve Jobs knew it. Wozniak discusses the working atmosphere at Apple, his marriages, owning a movie theater, funding the US Music Festival, his love of being a father and becoming a computer teacher at his kids' school. This is an excellent book told in an honest and informative fashion. In addition, it is the perfect companion to reading the Steve Jobs book.

I've read a lot about the story of Apple but it's nice to hear it from Woz himself. Easy to read and enjoyable.

An interesting look at some Apple history from Wozniak's POV. It is a tad preachy and self-aggrandizing. I'm not a fan of the VERY informal writing style--it's like he's having a conversation with you in person. I'm not sure it works.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

iWoz: How I Invented the Personal Computer and Had Fun Along the Way iWoz: Computer Geek to Cult Icon: How I Invented the Personal Computer, Co-Founded Apple, and Had Fun Doing It iWoz: Computer Geek to Cult Icon 101 Things You Wish You'd Invented . . . and Some You Wish No One Had Einstein Already had it, But He Did not See it: Part 0: The Discarded Term from the Einstein-Hilbert-Action (Einstein had it Book 1) 1st Grade Computer Basics : The Computer and Its Parts: Computers for Kids First Grade (Children's Computer Hardware Books) Losing My Virginity: How I Survived, Had Fun, and Made a Fortune Doing Business My Way Ultimate Easy Guitar Play-Along -- The Doors: Eight Songs with Full TAB, Play-Along Tracks, and Lesson Videos (Easy Guitar TAB), Book & DVD (Ultimate Easy Play-Along) Who Invented the Computer? (Breakthroughs in Science and Technology) Ultimate Bass Play-Along Rush: Play Along with 6 Great Demonstration Tracks (Authentic Bass TAB), Book & CD (Ultimate Play-Along) Ultimate Guitar Play-Along Led Zeppelin, Vol 1: Play Along with 8 Great-Sounding Tracks (Authentic Guitar TAB), Book & 2 CDs (Ultimate Play-Along) The Man Who Invented the Computer: The Biography of John Atanasoff, Digital Pioneer Learn Italian the Fast and Fun Way with MP3 CD: The Activity Kit That Makes Learning a Language Quick and Easy! (Fast and Fun Way Series) Learn Italian the Fast and Fun Way (Fast and Fun Way Series) Fun With Nature: Take Along Guide (Take Along Guides) Winning Personal Injury Cases: A Personal Injury Lawyer's Guide to Compensation in Personal Injury Litigation ACE Personal Trainer Flash Cards: ACE Personal Training Test Prep with 300+ Flash Cards for the American Council on Exercise Certified Personal Trainer Exam Old MacDonald Had a Farm: Sing Along With Me! You Had It All Along: 5 Keys to Unlocking the Power of Confidence At Your Core I Never Knew I Had a Choice: Explorations in Personal Growth

[Contact Us](#)

[DMCA](#)

Privacy

FAQ & Help