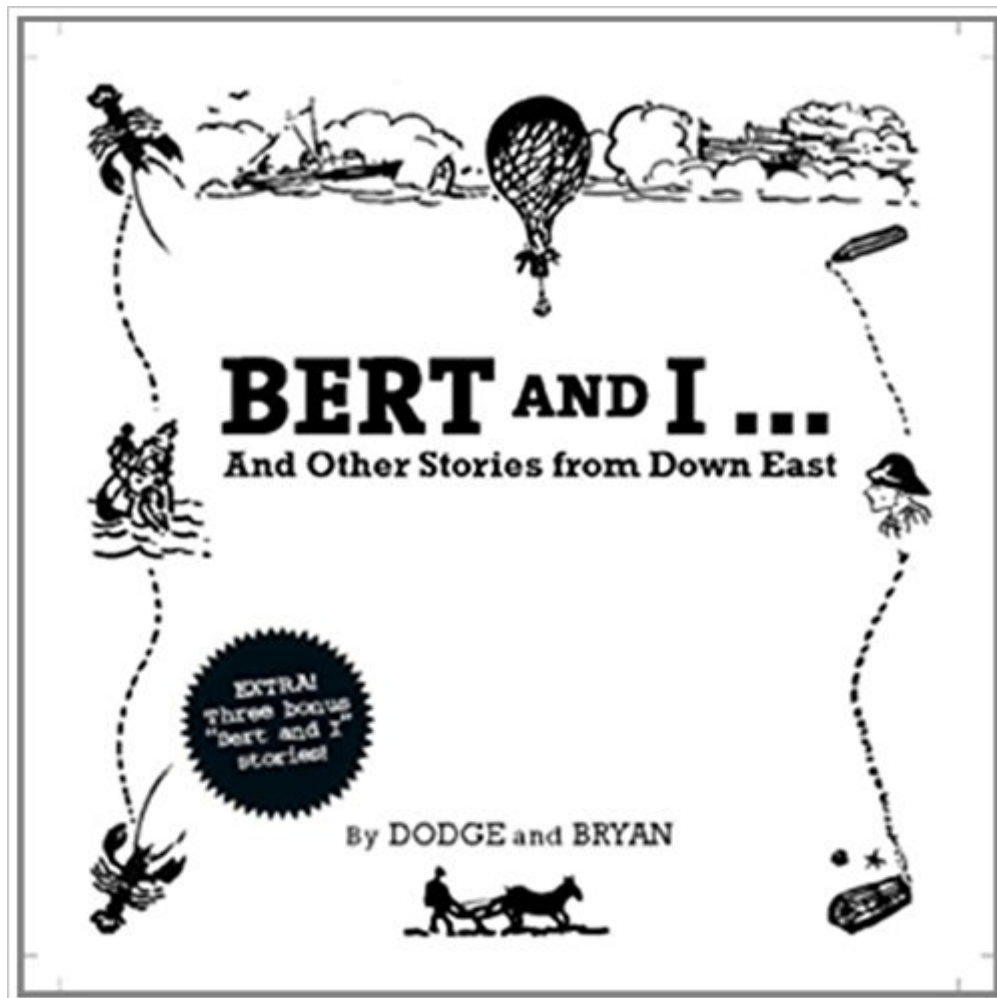




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Bert And I: And Other Stories From Downeast



Synopsis

The iconic Bert and I stories were first created by Yale University students Marshall Dodge and Robert Bryan in the late 1950s and performed around campus. The two amateur storytellers soon recorded a short ten-inch album of eleven stories for friends and family, but ultimately pressed just a few hundred. However, growing popularity prompted them in 1958 to record and release the seminal commercial album of New England humor and storytelling-Bert and I ... And Other Stories From Down East. More than fifty years later, their milestone album has been digitally remastered for this special CD edition, which also includes three bonus stories taken from the private ten-incher that preceded the first commercial record. These three stories did not appear on the commercial album or were changed. Eventually, Dodge and Bryan recorded three more Bert and I albums together. They remain the godfathers of Down East humor.

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Marshall Mike Dodge stands undeniably as a godfather of Down East humor, bringing an energy and imagination to the stage that took him from a small Connecticut studio to his standing as the premier New England humorist of his era before he was tragically killed by a hit-and-run driver in Hawaii in 1982. He was born in New York, attended high school in New Hampshire (where he first heard Down East humor), and graduated from Yale, where he studied philosophy. It was at Yale in 1958 that he and Robert Bryan cut the first Bert and I album and launched what is now a Maine icon. Bryan helped launch Bert and I with Dodge in part by drawing upon his memories from childhood summers spent at his beloved Tunk Lake. Like Dodge, Bob was born and raised in New York and graduated from Yale.

What more can be said for Bert and I? If you are a fan of Marshall Dodge or replacing your worn out cassette tapes, it's a must have. First CD and includes a few tracks from the original, first release record that can't be found elsewhere.

My brothers & I grew up on these wonderful tales, from old vinyl records. We all committed the whole album to memory, and even now can recite many of these hilarious stories by heart, Maine accent and all. This tradition spread to our cousins, who also can recite from memory, and at family gatherings there will ultimately be a "Bert & I Talk-Off". Whether you memorize these fabulous tales, or just listen & enjoy them, they represent the wonderful, odd colloquial turns of phrase that we still see in old, rural parts of the country. But, they are fading fast. Start a tradition, to keep these stories alive! You won't regret, I guarantee!

Good stuff

not what I was expecting or hoping for

Our family grew up listening to Bert and I on the record player. It's fun to read these stories and still have the voice in our heads. Great read for all swamp yankees.!!

As much fun as I remember!

Wicked funny stories.

Happy with everything

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