

The Portable Curmudgeon Publisher: Plume

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Jon Winokur : The Portable Curmudgeon Publisher: Plume before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Portable Curmudgeon Publisher: Plume:

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. What an awesome collection of the snarkiest bites from the sharpest tongues ...By John ReillyWhat an awesome collection of the snarkiest bites from the sharpest tongues the world over. Twain, W.C. Fields, Churchill, Bierce, Mencken, and all the funniest, sharpest wits around. The overview of this book is: (at least to me) that these are people who have loved the world, have seen what it is, and are calling it out on its faults for what it isn't. And the choices are damned funny. I gave my old copy to my son when he went to graduate school, and bought another one in hardcover, just to have around. It's that good a compendium. Certainly, if you like the funniest, snarkiest bits of Mark Twain or Oscar Wilde, you will LOVE this. You might also check out Ambrose Bierce's The Devil's Dictionary.2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Curmudgeons at their finest.By Davis GloffCurmudgeons get a bad rep. A lot of the curmudgeons I know are actually very funny people, and that is the case with the curmudgeons in this book.. There is no forced sweetness and light here, but there are many laugh out loud moments. I mean, How can you go wrong With Groucho Marx, Dorothy Parker and W.C. Fields?1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. A collection of very satisfying, entertaining, clever, snotty commentsBy ArielI've had this book for probably 20 years. My father periodically sends me emails that have collections of snarky humorous comments in them, most of which I've already seen, so I sent him this book. It's loaded with fave like Ambrose Bierce, Evelyn Waugh, Samuel Clemens, Dorothy Parker, WC Fields, Churchill and the other clever barbed wits of the day. The book has been around for a while, so it's not going to have any classics from the past 20 years or so, but regardless it's a great read. Not to be indelicate or anything, but this is one of those books that's perfect reading for the bathroom,

as it can literally be digested one sentence at a time. The down side is that occasionally a guest will use your bathroom and not come out for 20 minutes.