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# Film junkies rejoice: Rough Guides' movie books out this fall

After launching our film list with four titles in October 2005, Rough Guides is taking to the red carpet again this fall with four great new books, *The Rough Guide to American Independent Film*, *The Rough Guide to British Cult Comedy*, *The Rough Guide to Chick Flicks* and *The Rough Guide to Westerns*.

Whether you're a die-hard fan of a particular film genre, in search of the perfect inexpensive, yet personal, holiday gift or just don't know what to NetFlix next, Rough Guides' four brand-new film books are just what the doctor ordered for movie lovers of all ages.

Each book, produced in our near-edibly appealing square format, begins with the origins of the genre covered, moving on to cover the canon, the icons and resources for further information, as well as sections unique to each book.

## The Rough Guide to American Independent Film

- SLACKERS, SUNDANCES, SEVIGNY, SEX, LIES AND VIDEOTAPE -

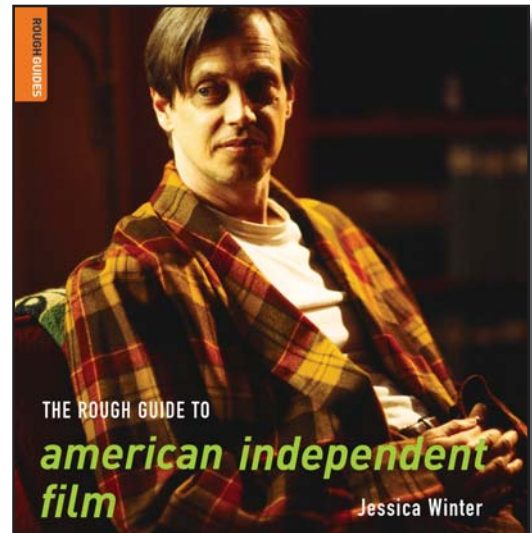
Unconventional, controversial and often downright disturbing, indie films have given us some of cinema's most innovative and influential moments. In the pages of this guide you'll find the lowdown on maverick filmmaking, from sleazy exploitation flicks and mockumentaries to chilling horror movies and quirky suburban dramas.

KEY FEATURES INCLUDE:

-The canon: 50 essential independent films, such as *Night of the Living Dead*, *Pulp Fiction*, *Easy Rider*, *Buffalo '66*, *Memento* and *Eraserhead*

-The players: Profiles of key directors and actors--Todd Haynes, Jim Jarmusch, Spike Lee, the Coen brothers, Jake and Maggie Gyllenhaal, Steve Buscemi and many more

-The Extras: Hundreds of film reviews, the Hollywood connection and all the best books, magazines, websites and festivals



The Rough Guide to  
American Independent Film  
by Jessica Winter  
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***Celluloid fever not sated?*** Check out these additional Rough Guides film titles:

The Rough Guide to Comedy Movies  
The Rough Guide to Gangster Movies  
The Rough Guide to Sci-Fi Movies

The Rough Guide to Cult Movies  
The Rough Guide to Horror Movies

# The Rough Guide to British Cult Comedy

Homing in on the last two decades, this guide covers the gamut of UK comedy talent, showcasing the cultiest comedians and the most side-splitting shows.

Think "The Office" or Ali G is the greatest US comedy import from the UK? Fair enough. But we're betting this mix of history, cult heroes and shows, DVD recommendations and tips on how to handle hecklers will tickle your funny bone and pique your curiosity. Chapters covering the craft of comedy and loads of fabulous photos round out this gut-busting guide. INCLUSIONS OF SPECIAL NOTE ARE:

The story: From the rise of alternative comedy to surrealist sketches and the triumph of reality comedies such as *The Office*

Cult figures: 50 stars of live and TV comedy, from 1980s legend Harry Enfield to current headliner Ross Noble, as well as circuit stalwarts and underappreciated heroes of hilarity.

The transatlantic connection: American influence on British comedy



The Rough Guide to  
British Cult Comedy  
by Julian Hall  
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# The Rough Guide to Chick Flicks

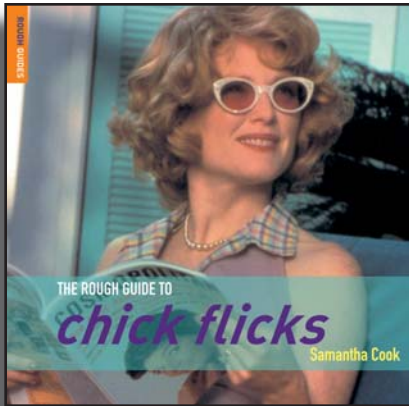
Regarded more as a guilty pleasure than an art form, this book doesn't knock the frothy goodness of chick flicks, but instead delights in it while also expanding the genre to include the rich body of films that have particular appeal for women.

Special chapters on lit/flick crossover in books and movies, global chick flicks as well as gorgeous screen shots add schmaltz and spice to the 50 essential films and the section on chick flick icons. A TASTING OF THE DELIGHTS WITHIN:

The history: Silent sirens, screwball dames, blonde bombshells and indie chicks

The must-sees: The lowdown on *Breakfast at Tiffany's*, *Pretty Woman* and *The Piano*--with a few surprises thrown in

The faces: Heroines and heart-throbs from Audrey Hepburn to Julia Roberts, Cary Grant to Hugh Grant, not forgetting key writers, directors and costume designers



The Rough Guide to Chick Flicks  
by Samantha Cook  
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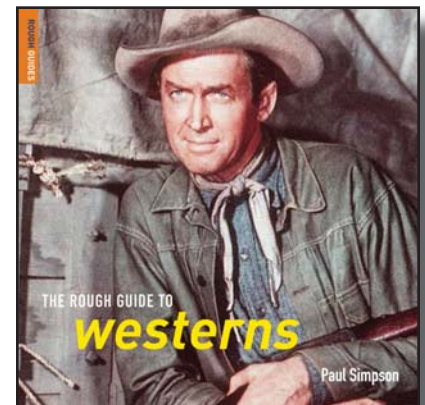
# The Rough Guide to Westerns

Out just in time to celebrate Charles Bronson's birthday on November 3rd! From the saloon to the cattle trail, gunslinging outlaws to ferocious Indians, this book is the ultimate companion to the genre that has, since the birth of cinema, fed our fascination with the Wild West. HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

The roots: How the myth of the West was shaped as much by entertainers like Buffalo Bill and James Fenimore Cooper as by real life figures like Wyatt Earp and Billy the Kid.

The history: From the silent era, through the 50s box-office domination to spaghetti and 21st-century westerns

And the rest: Westerns from around the world, archetypal characters and locations, and the best books, magazines and websites



The Rough Guide to Westerns  
by Paul Simpson  
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