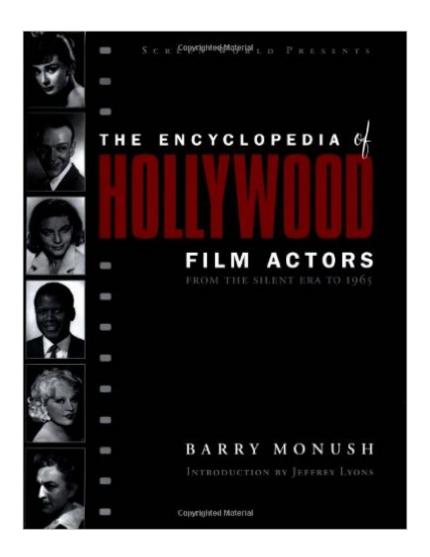
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Lots of interesting information based on vast research. Laudable. The bios were well written for the most part, but I was put off by the author's snarky comments having mostly to do with political points of view. He would be well advised to take Sgt Joe Friday's immortal advice: "Just the facts, m'am." An encyclopedia is no place for personal opinions.

I collect autographs and sometimes I need to know the actor or actress. Other times I need help guessing and this is the book to information. One of the best in my library for Hollywood.

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