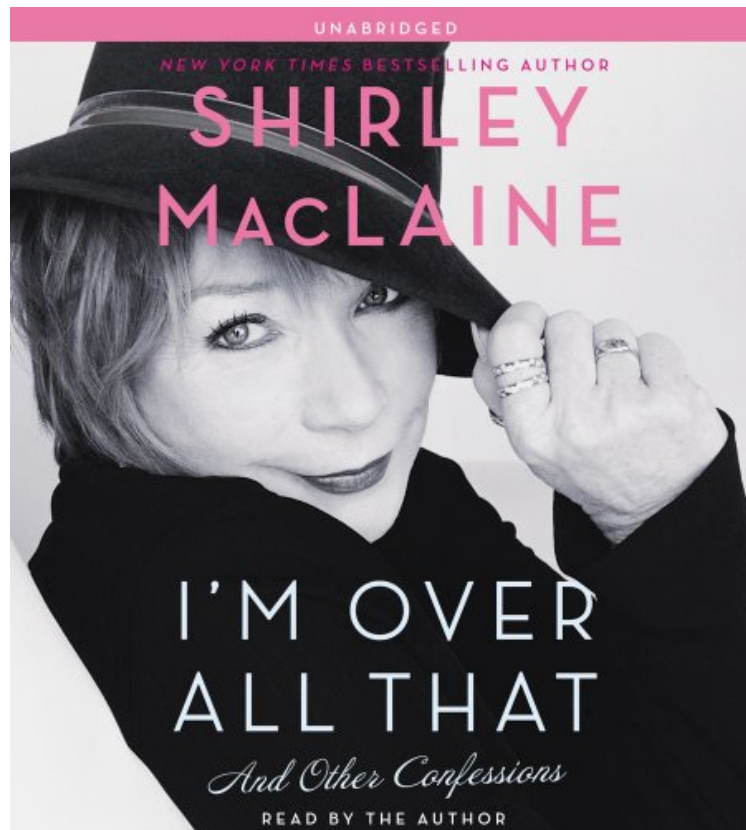


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From the bestselling author and award-winning actress Shirley MacLaine, a funny and provocative collection of short, original essays about all the things she's "over"—and a few things she's not. In this wise, witty, and fearless collection of small observations and big-picture questions, Shirley MacLaine shares with listeners all those things that she is over dealing with in life, in love, at home, and in the larger world...as well as the things she will never get over, no matter how long she lives. Among the things that Shirley is over: people who repeat themselves ("when you didn't care what they said the first time"); conservatives and liberals; ill-mannered young people; the poison of celebrity; being polite to boring people ("If they won't stop talking, I go into a trance and meditate"); getting older in Hollywood ("How peaceful it is not to have to look particularly pretty anymore or to wear a size 6"). In the opposite camp, there are some things Shirley will never get over: good lighting ("Marlene Dietrich taught me how to light myself"); gorgeous costars ("The vanity of male actors is an impossible wall to scale"); performing live ("Yes, it is better than sex"); and above

all brave people with curious minds (“Fear is the most powerful weapon of mass destruction). Along the way, she recalls stories of some of the true greats she has known—Alfred Hitchcock, Elizabeth Taylor, Frank Sinatra, the two Jacks (Lemmon and Nicholson)—and ruminates on the state of Hollywood past and present. She recollects her relationships and romances with politicians, scientists, journalists, and costars. An unabashed seeker of truth and unrepentant free spirit, Shirley looks squarely at a world that can irritate, confuse, and provoke her, but that can also delight her with its beauty, humor, and future promise. Shirley MacLaine may be over all that, but this irresistible work ensures that we will never get over her.