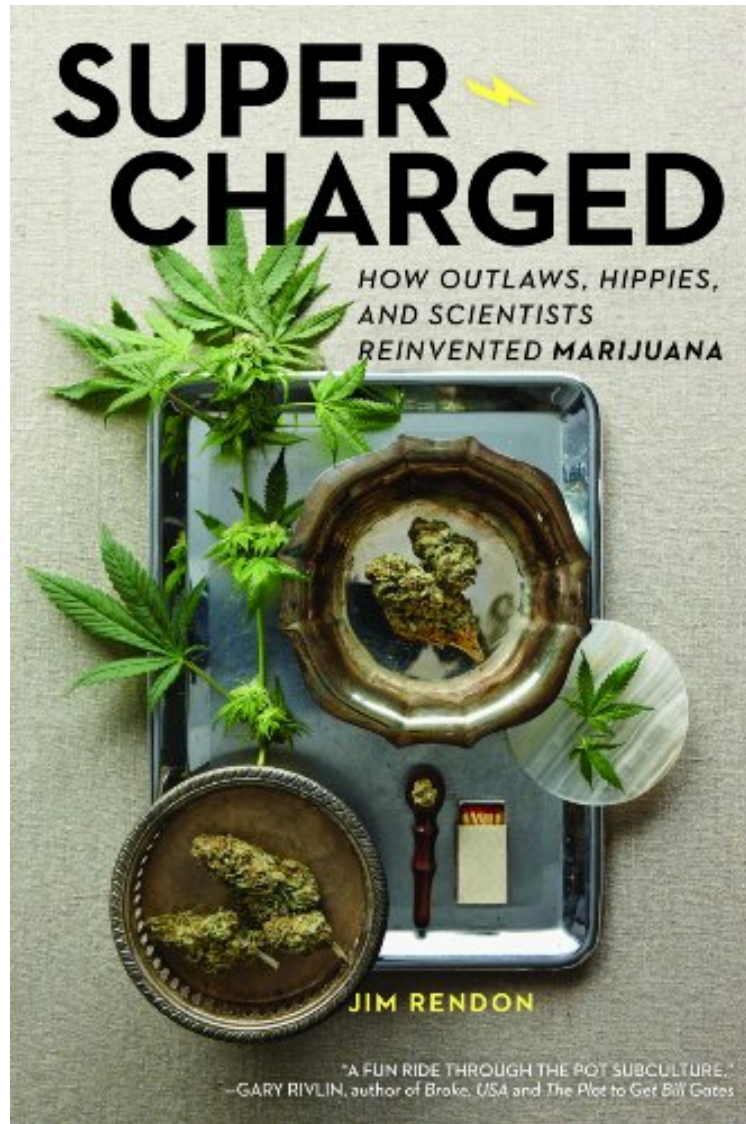


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botanical guide. It is a social history, albeit a modern social history of the cannabis plant as told through the lenses of players in the California growing community and overseas. I will subtract two stars for lack of editing; the book looks like it is in need of another edit to remove redundant material. 8 of 9 people found the following review helpful. An Interesting Piece on Pot By Nona The change in the nature of marijuana, and the marijuana business is a great tale of what entrepreneurs can do if government would only get out of the way. In my 50 years of pot smoking, the product has improved dramatically, the price has declined, and the availability and acceptance of the product has increased. I find it almost unbelievable that this has occurred while the government has been engaged in a self-proclaimed war on drugs, but then if the government was good at stopping people from doing what they want to do, we would have a very different world. The author does a great job of describing and humanizing the parallel economy, and society, that has evolved along with the product. As the Dead say: Oh what a long strange trip it has been, and this book is a good guide to how that trip has occurred. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Charged Indeed. By Jack D. McCue MDRipping good investigative journalism. A bit superficial on medicine and science. Still, you learn things you can find nowhere else.

Marijuana has been illegal in the United States since 1937. Yet, thanks in large part to a loosely connected underground world of breeders, dealers, and smokers, there are currently more than 2000 varieties available. And since 1996, when California first passed legislation allowing for legalized medical marijuana, the underground has slowly surfaced, pushing what was once a decentralized, lawless world closer to the corporate world of business, agriculture, and pharmaceuticals. *Super-Charged* gets up close and personal with the people who have transformed this controversial drug. With personalities and backgrounds as diverse as the plant itself, the growers include a former Silicon Valley software entrepreneur; third-generation Humboldt, California, growers; a publicly traded pharmaceutical company; and the famous marijuana personality Jorge Cervantes. Jim Rendon takes readers behind the scenes and into the homes and grow operations of the committed, quality-obsessed practitioners in the international underground industry responsible for creating today's super-charged cannabis. Ironically, these pioneers who built this illegal industry may one day find themselves out of business in the face of the drug's growing mainstream acceptance. Just how this could come about is part of the incredible story.

“Rendon’s useful, relatively balanced overview is recommended for readers looking for a concise analysis.” —Library Journal
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“An in-depth, balanced look at the state of pot cultivation and consumption in America today. . . *Super-Charged* is the best book out there for getting up to speed on an intriguing part of our culture, and what is likely the most mysterious and powerful herb on the planet.” —Independent Publisher