1493: Uncovering the World Columbus Created

In 1492, Christopher Columbus set sail from Spain in search of a new route to India. He stumbled upon the Americas instead, and his arrival in the New World set off a chain of events that would forever change the course of history.

The year 1493 is often overlooked in the story of Columbus's voyages. But it was in this year that Columbus returned to the Americas and began to explore the interior of the continent. His discoveries and interactions with the native peoples would have a profound impact on both the New World and the Old.



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Columbus's Second Voyage

Columbus's second voyage departed from Cadiz, Spain, on September 25, 1493. He had a fleet of 17 ships and over 1,200 men. His goal was to find gold and other riches, and to establish a permanent colony in the New World.

Columbus sailed west across the Atlantic Ocean and reached the island of Guadeloupe on November 3, 1493. He then continued north and explored the islands of Dominica, Marie-Galante, and St. Martin. On November 19, 1493, he reached the island of Puerto Rico, which he named San Juan Bautista.

Columbus spent several months exploring Puerto Rico and the surrounding islands. He found gold and other valuable resources, and he established a settlement on the island of Hispaniola. He also made contact with the native peoples of the region, the Taíno Indians.

The Taino Indians

The Taíno Indians were a peaceful and welcoming people. They had a well-developed culture and a complex social structure. They lived in villages and farmed the land. They were also skilled craftspeople and artists.

Columbus and his men were amazed by the Taíno Indians. They had never seen anything like them before. The Taínos were naked, and they had long, black hair. They were also very friendly and helpful.

Columbus spent several months living among the Taíno Indians. He learned their language and their customs. He also traded with them for gold and other valuables.

The Beginning of European Colonization

Columbus's second voyage marked the beginning of European colonization of the New World. He established a permanent settlement in the Americas, and he opened up the region to further exploration and conquest.

The arrival of Europeans in the New World had a devastating impact on the native peoples. The Taíno Indians were enslaved and forced to work in the gold mines. They were also exposed to European diseases, which killed millions of them.

The European colonization of the New World was a complex and tragic event. It had a profound impact on both the Americas and Europe. It also set the stage for the centuries of conflict and bloodshed that would follow.

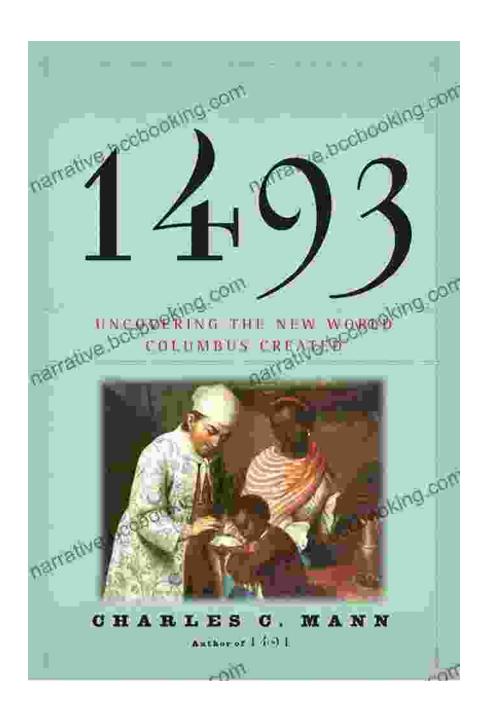
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Mann tells the story of Columbus's exploration of the Americas, his interactions with the native peoples, and the beginning of European colonization. He also discusses the long-term impact of Columbus's voyages on the world.

1493 is a must-read for anyone who is interested in the history of the Americas, or in the impact of European colonization on the world.

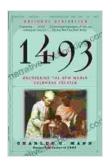
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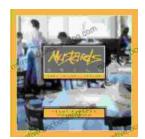
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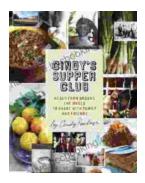
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