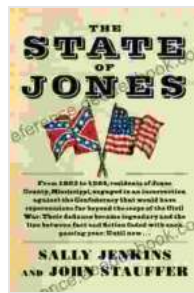


# The State of Jones: Sally Jenkins' Epic Tale of Defiance and Redemption

## An Extraordinary True Story of Rebellion and Resilience

From the pages of acclaimed author Sally Jenkins emerges "The State of Jones," a mesmerizing historical novel that brings to life the extraordinary tale of Newt Knight, a Mississippi farmer who dared to defy the Confederacy and fight for racial equality during the tumultuous years of the Civil War and Reconstruction.



### The State of Jones by Sally Jenkins

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In the heart of Jones County, Mississippi, Knight, a skilled woodsman and sharpshooter, watched as his neighbors and fellow farmers faced the horrors of slavery and the oppressive weight of the Confederate regime. Driven by a deep sense of injustice, he rallied a band of followers and formed his own independent militia, known as the Knight Company.



## **The Jones County Rebellion: A Fight for Freedom and Justice**

The Knight Company, a ragtag group of farmers, slaves, and Native Americans, defied the authority of the Confederacy and established a renegade state within Mississippi. They raided Confederate supplies, freed slaves, and fought back against the brutal tactics of the Confederate Army.

Jenkins' vivid prose transports readers to the heart of the rebellion, where the lines between loyalty and treason blur. The characters she creates are complex and morally ambiguous, torn between their duty to their home state and their desire for a more just society.



The Knight Company During the Jones County Rebellion

## **The Legacy of Newt Knight: Racial Equality and Redemption**

After the war, Knight's influence continued as he fought for the rights of African Americans during Reconstruction. He believed in the equality of all races and worked tirelessly to establish schools and opportunities for the formerly enslaved people in his community.

Jenkins' novel not only recounts the heroic exploits of Knight and his followers but also delves into the complexities of racial reconciliation in the aftermath of slavery. It is a story of courage, resilience, and the enduring struggle for justice and equality.

### **Sally Jenkins' Masterful Storyteller**

Sally Jenkins, a Pulitzer Prize-winning sportswriter, brings her exceptional storytelling abilities to this historical narrative. Her research is impeccable, and her characters are drawn with depth and nuance. "The State of Jones" is a tour de force that will captivate readers from its first page to its last.

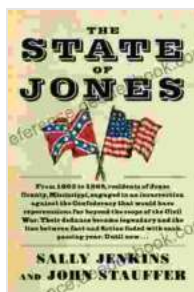


## **A Timely and Timeless Tale**

"The State of Jones" is not merely a story of the past; it resonates deeply with contemporary issues of race, equality, and the courage to stand up for what is right. Jenkins' powerful narrative serves as a reminder of the ongoing struggle for justice and the enduring spirit of those who dare to challenge injustice.

Whether you are a history buff, a fan of historical fiction, or simply someone who appreciates a gripping and thought-provoking tale, "The State of Jones" is a must-read. It is a testament to the power of one man's defiance and the transformative impact it can have on the course of history.

In the words of Pulitzer Prize-winning author Ron Chernow, "The State of Jones" is "a sweeping historical epic that reads like a thriller." Sally Jenkins has crafted a masterpiece that brings to life a forgotten chapter of American history and challenges readers to confront the enduring legacy of racism and the ongoing pursuit of equality. This is a novel that will stay with you long after you finish its final page.



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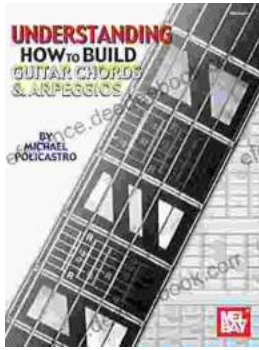
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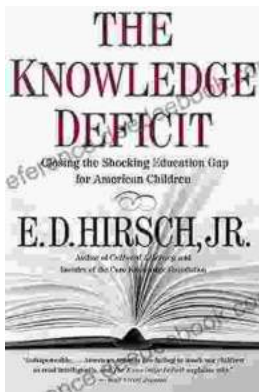
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