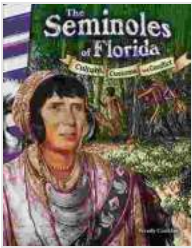


The Seminoles of Florida: A History and Culture



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The Seminoles are a Native American people who have lived in Florida for centuries. They are a resilient people who have survived wars, displacement, and assimilation attempts. Today, the Seminoles are a thriving nation with a rich culture and a bright future.

A History of the Seminoles

The Seminoles are descended from the Creek Indians who migrated to Florida in the 18th century. They were originally divided into two groups: the Mikasuki and the Hitchiti. The Mikasuki were the more traditional of the two groups, while the Hitchiti were more assimilated into European culture.

In the early 19th century, the Seminoles were forced to cede their lands to the United States government. They resisted this removal, and the Seminole Wars began. The wars lasted for seven years and resulted in the deaths of thousands of Seminoles.

After the Seminole Wars, the Seminoles were forced to move to Indian Territory in Oklahoma. However, many Seminoles refused to leave their homeland in Florida. These Seminoles became known as the "Cow Creek Seminoles." The Cow Creek Seminoles lived in hiding in the Everglades for many years.

In the early 20th century, the Cow Creek Seminoles were granted permission to return to their homeland in Florida. They established reservations in Broward and Hendry counties.

Seminole Culture

The Seminoles have a rich culture that has been passed down through generations. Their culture is based on their traditional beliefs and values. The Seminoles believe in a Great Spirit who created the world and all living things.

The Seminoles are also known for their skilled craftsmanship. They make beautiful baskets, pottery, and jewelry. The Seminoles also have a strong tradition of music and dance.

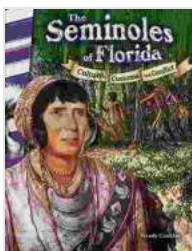
The Seminoles Today

Today, the Seminoles are a thriving nation with a population of over 40,000. They have seven reservations in Florida and one in Oklahoma. The Seminoles are self-governing and have their own laws and government.

The Seminoles are also a major economic force in Florida. They own and operate several casinos and other businesses. The Seminoles are also active in the tourism industry.

The Seminoles of Florida are a proud and resilient people with a rich culture and a bright future. They have overcome many challenges and continue to thrive today.

The Seminoles of Florida is a comprehensive history and exploration of the Seminole people, their culture, and their struggles for survival. This book is a valuable resource for anyone interested in Native American history, Florida history, or Seminole culture.



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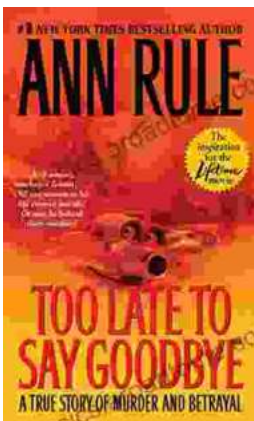
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