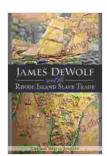
# James DeWolf and the Rhode Island Slave Trade: A Dark Chapter in American Heritage

James DeWolf was one of the most successful slave traders in American history. He operated out of Rhode Island, a state that played a major role in the transatlantic slave trade. DeWolf's ships carried thousands of enslaved Africans to the Americas, and he amassed a fortune from his involvement in the slave trade.

DeWolf was born in Bristol, Rhode Island, in 1764. His father was a merchant, and DeWolf followed in his father's footsteps. He began his career as a slave trader in 1784, and he quickly became one of the most successful traders in the business. DeWolf's ships sailed to Africa, where they traded goods for enslaved Africans. The Africans were then transported to the Americas, where they were sold to plantation owners.

DeWolf's slave trading activities were highly profitable. He owned a fleet of ships, and he transported thousands of enslaved Africans to the Americas. DeWolf's profits from the slave trade allowed him to live a lavish lifestyle. He built a mansion in Bristol, and he owned a fleet of yachts.



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DeWolf's involvement in the slave trade was controversial. Many people in Rhode Island opposed the slave trade, and they protested DeWolf's activities. However, DeWolf was a powerful man, and he was able to silence his critics.

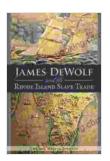
The slave trade was eventually abolished in the United States in 1808. However, the legacy of slavery continues to haunt Rhode Island. The state was one of the major centers of the slave trade, and many Rhode Islanders profited from the trade. The legacy of slavery is still visible in Rhode Island today. There are many historical sites related to the slave trade in the state, and there are many African-American communities that were founded by former slaves.

James DeWolf's story is a reminder of the dark history of slavery in the United States. The slave trade was a brutal and dehumanizing business, and it caused untold suffering for millions of Africans. DeWolf's story is a reminder of the need to fight against racism and injustice.

#### **Additional Resources**

- The Rhode Island Slave Trade
- The James DeWolf House
- The Transatlantic Slave Trade

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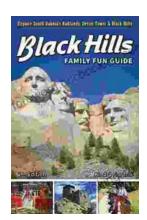
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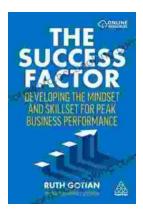
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