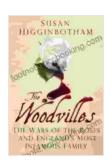
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The Wars of the Roses was a series of civil wars fought in England between the House of Lancaster and the House of York. The wars lasted for over 30 years and resulted in the deaths of thousands of people. The wars began in 1455 when Richard, Duke of York, claimed the throne of England from Henry VI of the House of Lancaster. Richard's claim was based on his descent from Lionel, Duke of Clarence, the second son of Edward III. Henry VI's claim to the throne was based on his descent from John of Gaunt, the fourth son of Edward III.



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The Wars of the Roses were fought over a number of issues, including the power of the monarchy, the role of Parliament, and the rights of the nobility. The wars were also fought over personal rivalries and ambitions. The wars

were a time of great violence and upheaval. Many people were killed in battle, and many others were executed or imprisoned. The wars also caused widespread damage to property and infrastructure.

The Wars of the Roses ended in 1485 with the Battle of Bosworth Field. The battle was won by Henry Tudor, who became King Henry VII of England. Henry VII was the first king of the Tudor dynasty. The Tudor dynasty ruled England for over 100 years.

The House of Lancaster

The House of Lancaster was a branch of the Plantagenet dynasty. The Lancasters descended from John of Gaunt, the fourth son of Edward III. The Lancasters ruled England from 1399 to 1461 and again from 1470 to 1471. The most famous Lancastrian king was Henry V, who led England to victory in the Hundred Years' War.

The House of York

The House of York was a branch of the Plantagenet dynasty. The Yorks descended from Lionel, Duke of Clarence, the second son of Edward III. The Yorks ruled England from 1461 to 1470 and again from 1471 to 1485. The most famous Yorkist king was Edward IV, who defeated the Lancastrians at the Battle of Towton.

The People of the Wars of the Roses

The Wars of the Roses were fought by a wide variety of people. The armies of the Lancastrians and Yorks included nobles, knights, and commoners. The wars also involved women, who played a variety of roles, including fighting in battle and spying.

The Wars of the Roses were a time of great social upheaval. The wars caused the deaths of many people and the displacement of many others. The wars also led to the rise of new social classes and the decline of others.

The Legacy of the Wars of the Roses

The Wars of the Roses had a profound impact on English history. The wars led to the end of the Plantagenet dynasty and the beginning of the Tudor dynasty. The wars also led to the development of a more centralized monarchy and the decline of the power of the nobility.

The Wars of the Roses are still remembered today as a time of great violence and upheaval. The wars have been the subject of numerous books, movies, and television shows. The wars have also inspired many works of art and literature.



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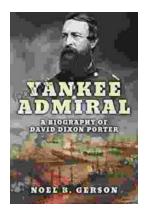
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