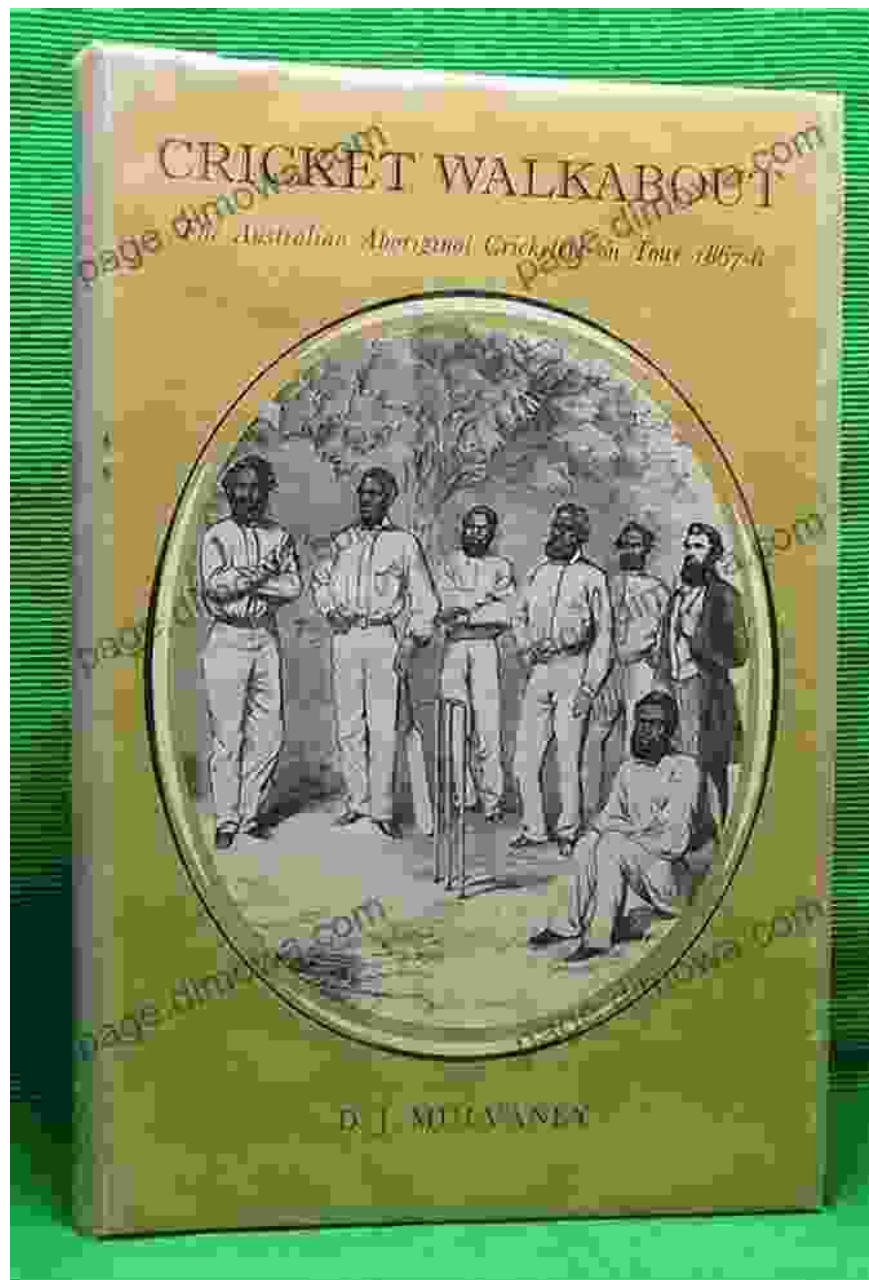


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Synopsis

Cricket Walkabout tells the incredible story of the first Aboriginal cricket team to tour England in the 1860s. These talented cricketers faced racism and prejudice, but they also won the hearts of many with their skill and sportsmanship.

The team was led by Charles Lawrence, a Gundagai man who was one of the best cricketers in Australia at the time. Other members of the team included Jemmy Dean, a Wiradjuri man who was a brilliant all-rounder, and Billy Midge, a Yorta Yorta man who was known for his fast bowling.

The team toured England for six months, playing 47 matches against some of the best teams in the country. They won 14 matches, lost 19, and drew 14. They also played a match against the All England Eleven, the best team in the world at the time. The Aboriginal team lost the match, but they impressed the crowd with their skill and determination.

The Aboriginal cricketers faced racism and prejudice throughout their tour. They were often refused accommodation and food, and they were

sometimes subjected to verbal abuse. However, they never gave up, and they always played with dignity and respect.

The Aboriginal cricketers' tour of England was a major event in the history of Australian sport. It helped to break down racial barriers and it inspired a new generation of Aboriginal cricketers.

Review

"*Cricket Walkabout* is a fascinating and inspiring story. It is a must-read for anyone interested in Australian history, cricket, or the fight for racial equality." - The Sydney Morning Herald

"John Kerr has written a brilliant and important book. *Cricket Walkabout* is a story that needs to be told and it is a story that will stay with you long after you finish reading it." - The Age

About the Author

John Kerr is an award-winning author and journalist. He has written extensively about Aboriginal history and culture. His other books include *The Spirit of Eureka: The Eureka Stockade and the Birth of Australian Democracy* and *The Dreamtime: A Journey into Aboriginal Australia*.

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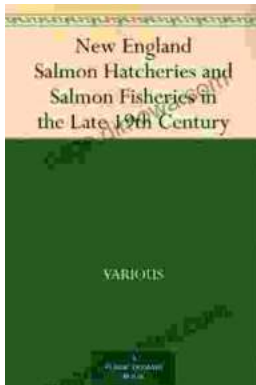
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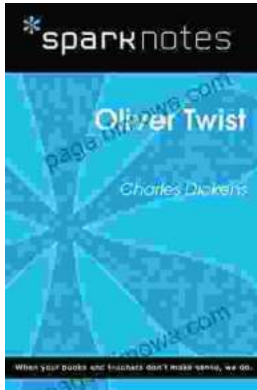
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