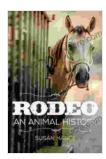
An Animal History: The Environment In Modern North America

The history of animals in North America is a long and complex one. The continent has been home to a wide variety of animal species, from the smallest insects to the largest mammals. The environment in which these animals have lived has also changed dramatically over time, from the Ice Age to the present day.



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The Ice Age

The Ice Age was a period of time when the Earth's climate was much colder than it is today. This caused glaciers to form and cover much of the Northern Hemisphere. The Ice Age had a profound impact on the animals of North America. Many species were forced to migrate south to warmer climates, while others died out completely.

Some of the animals that survived the Ice Age include the woolly mammoth, the saber-toothed cat, and the giant ground sloth. These animals were all much larger than their modern counterparts, and they were adapted to living in a cold climate.

The Holocene

The Holocene is the geological epoch that began about 11,700 years ago. It is characterized by a relatively warm and stable climate. The Holocene has been a period of great change for the animals of North America. Many species have expanded their ranges northward, and some have even become invasive species.

Some of the animals that have thrived in the Holocene include the white-tailed deer, the coyote, and the raccoon. These animals are all adaptable and opportunistic, and they have been able to take advantage of the changing environment.

The Anthropocene

The Anthropocene is the current geological epoch. It is characterized by the profound impact that humans have had on the Earth's environment. The Anthropocene has been a time of great loss for the animals of North America. Many species have become extinct due to habitat loss, hunting, and pollution.

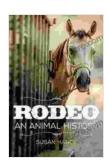
Some of the animals that are at risk of extinction in the Anthropocene include the grizzly bear, the polar bear, and the sea turtle. These animals are all threatened by habitat loss, climate change, and pollution.

The Future of Animals in North America

The future of animals in North America is uncertain. The climate is changing, and the human population is growing. These changes are likely to have a significant impact on the animals of the continent.

Some scientists believe that the climate change will lead to the extinction of many species. Others believe that animals will be able to adapt to the changing climate. Only time will tell what the future holds for the animals of North America.

The history of animals in North America is a fascinating one. The animals of the continent have faced many challenges over the centuries, but they have also shown a remarkable ability to adapt and survive. It is important to remember that we are all part of the natural world, and that we have a responsibility to protect the animals that share our planet.

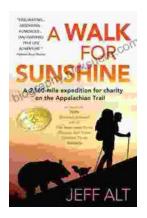


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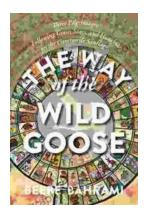
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