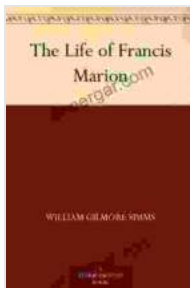


# The Life of Francis Marion: The Swamp Fox

## Early Life and Career

Francis Marion was born in South Carolina in 1732. He was the son of a wealthy planter, and he received a good education. Marion was a skilled hunter and woodsman, and he knew the swamps of his home state like the back of his hand. In 1759, Marion joined the British army and fought in the French and Indian War. He distinguished himself in battle, and he was promoted to the rank of captain. However, Marion resigned from the army in 1761, and he returned to South Carolina to manage his plantation.



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## The Revolutionary War

When the Revolutionary War broke out in 1775, Marion joined the Continental Army. He quickly rose through the ranks, and he soon became a colonel. Marion was known for his daring raids and ambushes, which often left the British redcoats bewildered and frustrated. Marion's exploits

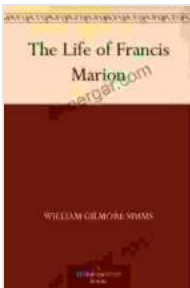
earned him the nickname "the Swamp Fox," and he became a legend among the American colonists.

One of Marion's most famous exploits was the Battle of Cowpens. In January 1781, Marion and his men ambushed a British force that was twice the size of their own. The British were routed, and Marion captured over 500 prisoners. The Battle of Cowpens was a turning point in the Revolutionary War, and it helped to secure American independence.

### **Later Life**

After the war, Marion continued to serve his country. He was elected to the South Carolina legislature, and he eventually became a general in the South Carolina militia. Marion died in 1795, but his legacy lives on as one of the most celebrated heroes of the American Revolution.

Francis Marion was a true American hero. He was a skilled hunter and woodsman, a daring soldier, and a wise leader. Marion's exploits during the Revolutionary War helped to secure American independence, and he is remembered as one of the most celebrated heroes of the war.



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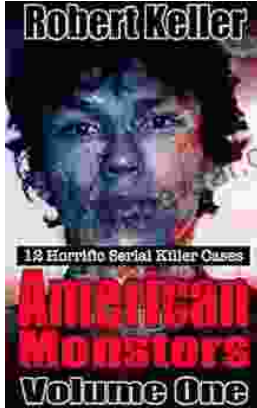
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