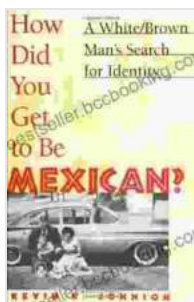


How Did You Get To Be Mexican?: Uncovering the Origins of a Rich Culture

Mexico is a country with a rich and diverse culture, but where did it all come from? In his book, "How Did You Get To Be Mexican?", author Gustavo Arellano explores the origins of Mexican culture, from its indigenous roots to its Spanish colonial influences and everything in between.

Arellano argues that Mexican culture is a product of a unique set of historical circumstances. The country's geography, its indigenous population, and its colonial history all played a role in shaping the Mexican identity.



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Mexico's indigenous population is one of the most diverse in the world. Before the arrival of the Spanish, there were hundreds of indigenous groups living in Mexico, each with its own language, culture, and traditions. These indigenous groups continue to play an important role in Mexican

culture today, and their influence can be seen in everything from the country's food to its music.

The Spanish conquest of Mexico in the 16th century had a profound impact on Mexican culture. The Spanish brought with them their own language, religion, and social customs, which were all imposed on the indigenous population. Over time, a new mestizo culture emerged, which blended elements of both indigenous and Spanish culture.

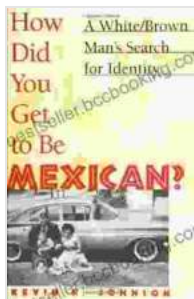
Mexico's colonial history also had a significant impact on the country's culture. For over 300 years, Mexico was ruled by Spain, and this period of time left a lasting legacy. The Spanish introduced a number of new institutions to Mexico, including the Catholic Church, the university, and the printing press. These institutions helped to shape Mexican culture and society, and they continue to play an important role in the country today.

In the 19th century, Mexico gained its independence from Spain. This was a time of great change for the country, and it saw the emergence of a new Mexican identity. Mexicans began to look to their own history and traditions for inspiration, and they developed a new sense of pride in their country.

The 20th century was a time of great social and economic change for Mexico. The country experienced a revolution, a civil war, and a period of rapid industrialization. These changes had a significant impact on Mexican culture, and they helped to shape the country into what it is today.

Today, Mexico is a vibrant and diverse country with a rich culture that is the product of a unique set of historical circumstances. From its indigenous roots to its Spanish colonial influences, Mexican culture is a complex and fascinating blend of different traditions. Arellano's book, "How Did You Get

To Be Mexican?", is an essential guide to understanding the origins of Mexican culture and how it has evolved over time.



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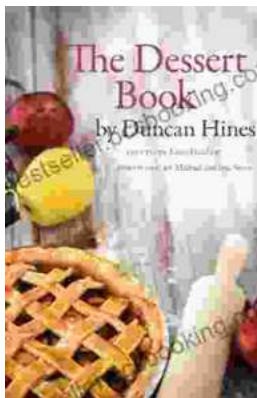
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