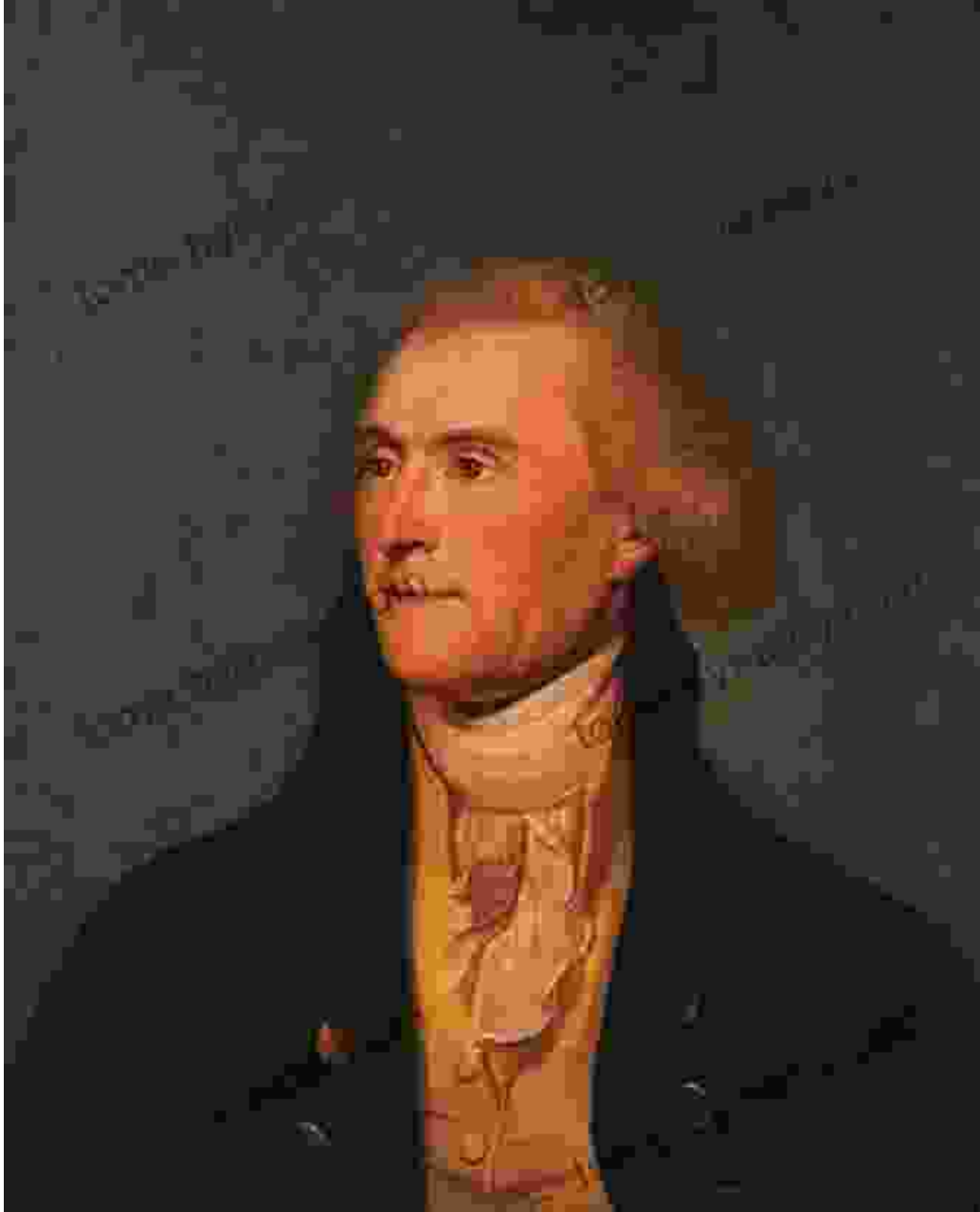
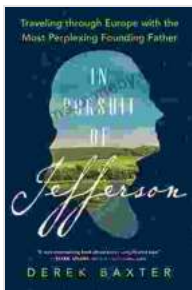


In Pursuit of Jefferson: A Journey to Rediscover America's Founding Father



In Pursuit of Jefferson is a captivating exploration of the life and legacy of Thomas Jefferson, the author of the Declaration of Independence and the third President of the United States. Author and historian Jon Meacham

takes readers on a journey through Jefferson's world, from his childhood in Virginia to his years as a statesman and diplomat in Europe and his retirement at Monticello. Meacham paints a vivid portrait of Jefferson as a complex and contradictory figure, a man of towering intellect and ambition who was also a slave owner and a flawed human being. Through exhaustive research and engaging prose, Meacham reveals the many dimensions of Jefferson's character and his profound impact on American history.



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Jefferson's Childhood and Education

Thomas Jefferson was born on April 13, 1743, at Shadwell, his family's plantation in Albemarle County, Virginia. His father, Peter Jefferson, was a successful planter and surveyor, and his mother, Jane Randolph Jefferson, was a member of one of Virginia's most prominent families. Jefferson had a close relationship with his father, who taught him the importance of education and hard work. Jefferson began his formal education at the age of five, and he quickly showed a talent for learning. He attended the

College of William and Mary, where he studied law, philosophy, and the classics. Jefferson graduated from William and Mary in 1762, and he returned to Virginia to begin his career as a lawyer.

Jefferson's Political Career

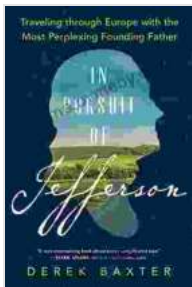
Jefferson entered politics in 1769, when he was elected to the Virginia House of Burgesses. He quickly became a leader in the House, and he played a key role in drafting the Declaration of Independence in 1776. Jefferson served as Governor of Virginia during the Revolutionary War, and he later served as the first Secretary of State under President George Washington. In 1800, Jefferson was elected President of the United States. He served two terms as President, and he is best known for his Free Download of the Louisiana Territory from France in 1803. Jefferson retired to Monticello in 1809, and he spent the rest of his life writing, farming, and corresponding with friends and colleagues.

Jefferson's Legacy

Thomas Jefferson is considered one of the most important figures in American history. He was a brilliant writer and thinker, and he played a key role in the founding of the United States. Jefferson's ideas about democracy, individual rights, and limited government continue to influence American politics today. However, Jefferson's legacy is also complex and controversial. He was a slave owner, and he held racist views that are deeply troubling to many Americans today. In recent years, there has been a growing movement to remove Jefferson's statues from public places and to rename schools and other institutions that are named after him. Despite these controversies, Jefferson remains a towering figure in American history, and his legacy continues to be debated and discussed.

Jon Meacham's In Pursuit of Jefferson

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