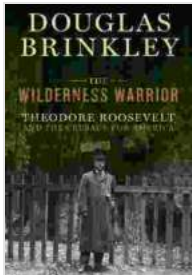


Theodore Roosevelt: The Man Who Shaped America



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Theodore Roosevelt was the 26th President of the United States and one of the most influential figures in American history. He was a leader who inspired Americans to believe in themselves and their country, and he played a key role in shaping the modern United States.

Roosevelt was born in New York City in 1858. He was a sickly child, but he overcame his physical challenges to become a vigorous and athletic young man. Roosevelt attended Harvard University and Columbia Law School, but he left both institutions before graduating. He then spent several years working as a rancher in the Dakota Territory.

In 1881, Roosevelt returned to New York and entered politics. He served in the New York State Assembly and as a U.S. Civil Service Commissioner. In 1895, he was appointed Police Commissioner of New York City. As Police

Commissioner, Roosevelt cracked down on corruption and graft, and he earned a reputation for being a tough and effective leader.

In 1897, Roosevelt resigned as Police Commissioner to lead the Rough Riders, a volunteer cavalry regiment, in the Spanish-American War. The Rough Riders fought bravely in Cuba, and Roosevelt emerged from the war as a national hero. In 1898, he was elected Governor of New York.

As Governor, Roosevelt continued to fight for reform. He broke up monopolies, protected the environment, and improved working conditions for factory workers. In 1901, he was elected President of the United States.

As President, Roosevelt continued to pursue his progressive agenda. He passed laws to regulate businesses, protect consumers, and conserve natural resources. He also expanded the role of the federal government in American life. Roosevelt's presidency was a time of great change and progress for the United States.

Roosevelt left office in 1909, but he remained active in public life. He wrote books, gave speeches, and traveled the world. He died in 1919 at the age of 60.

Theodore Roosevelt was a complex and fascinating figure. He was a man of great contradictions: he was a Rough Rider who loved war, but he was also a conservationist who loved nature. He was a strong leader who expanded the role of the federal government, but he was also a believer in individual liberty.

Roosevelt's legacy is complex and controversial. Some historians argue that he was a great progressive leader who helped to create the modern

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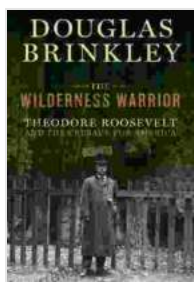
Roosevelt's accomplishments are many and varied. He was a leader in the conservation movement, and he helped to establish national parks and forests. He was also a strong supporter of labor unions and social welfare programs. Roosevelt's foreign policy was aggressive, and he expanded American influence in the Caribbean and the Pacific.

Roosevelt's legacy is still debated today. Some historians argue that he was a great leader who helped to make the United States a world power. Others argue that he was a dangerous authoritarian who set the stage for

future American imperialism. Regardless of one's opinion of Roosevelt, there is no doubt that he was one of the most influential figures in American history.

Further Reading

* Theodore Roosevelt: A Life by Edmund Morris * The Rise of Theodore Roosevelt by Howard K. Beale * Theodore Roosevelt and the Progressive Movement by George E. Mowry * Theodore Roosevelt: The Rough Rider by David McCullough



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