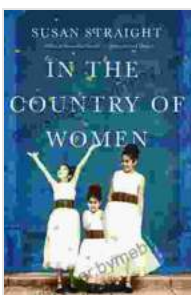


In the Country of Women: A Memoir

In the Country of Women is a memoir by Susan Straight, a white woman who grew up in a small town in California with a Mexican-American family. The book explores the themes of race, class, and gender, and how they shaped Straight's life and experiences.

Straight was born in Riverside, California, in 1960. Her father was a white man who worked as a teacher and her mother was a Mexican-American woman who worked as a nurse. Straight's parents divorced when she was young, and she was raised by her mother and stepfather, a Mexican-American man.

Straight grew up in a predominantly Mexican-American neighborhood, and she was often the only white child in her classes. She experienced racism from both white and Mexican-American people, and she struggled to find her place in both cultures.



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As a young woman, Straight moved to Los Angeles to attend college. She met and married a Mexican-American man, and they had two children. Straight's husband was abusive, and she eventually divorced him.

After her divorce, Straight moved back to Riverside with her children. She began writing fiction, and her first novel, *Aquamarine*, was published in 1990. Straight has since published nine more novels, as well as several short story collections and essays.

In the Country of Women is Straight's first memoir. The book is a powerful and moving account of her life and experiences. Straight writes with honesty and insight about the challenges she faced growing up in a multi-cultural family, and about the racism and sexism she experienced as a woman.

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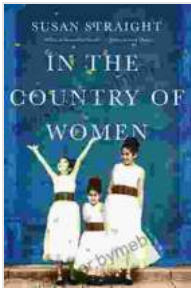
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About the Author

Susan Straight is an American author of novels, short stories, and essays. She is a recipient of the National Book Award for Fiction, the PEN/Faulkner Award for Fiction, and the California Book Award. Straight's work has been praised for its honesty, insight, and compassion.



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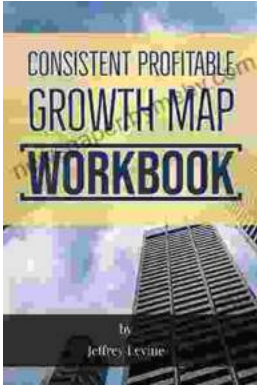
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