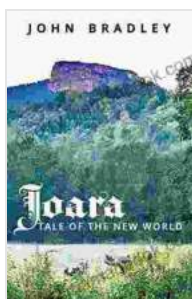


Joara: The Tale of the New World



Joara was a Native American village that was located in what is now Burke County, North Carolina. The village was first encountered by European explorers in 1540, and it was abandoned by its inhabitants around 1600. The site of Joara is now a National Historic Landmark, and it is one of the most important archaeological sites in the southeastern United States.



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The Joara people were part of the Mississippian culture, which was a complex society that developed in the southeastern United States around 1000 AD. The Mississippian culture was characterized by its large, centrally planned towns, its elaborate social hierarchy, and its sophisticated agricultural system. The Joara people were farmers, and they grew crops such as corn, beans, and squash. They also hunted and fished, and they made pottery and other crafts.

In 1540, the Spanish explorer Hernando de Soto led an expedition into the southeastern United States. De Soto's expedition encountered the Joara people, and they described the village as being large and well-fortified. The Joara people were friendly to the Spanish, and they traded with them for food and other goods. However, the Spanish were also interested in finding gold, and they eventually attacked the Joara village and burned it to the ground.

The Joara people were forced to abandon their village, and they moved to a new location. The Joara people eventually assimilated into other Native American groups, and they lost their distinct identity. However, the site of Joara is still a reminder of the Mississippian culture, and it is a valuable source of information about the history of the southeastern United States.

The Joara Archaeological Site

The Joara archaeological site is located on a bluff overlooking the Catawba River. The site covers an area of about 100 acres, and it includes the remains of several buildings, a plaza, and a defensive ditch. The buildings at Joara were made of wattle and daub, and they were arranged around a central plaza. The plaza was used for public gatherings and ceremonies. The defensive ditch was dug around the perimeter of the site, and it was used to protect the village from attack.

The Joara archaeological site has been excavated by archaeologists since the 1930s. The excavations have uncovered a wealth of artifacts, including pottery, tools, and weapons. The artifacts have helped archaeologists to learn about the daily life of the Joara people. The excavations have also helped archaeologists to understand the history of the Mississippian culture.

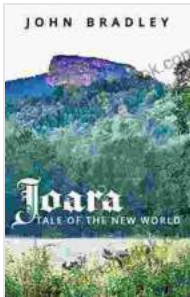
The Joara archaeological site is a valuable source of information about the history of the southeastern United States. The site is open to the public, and it is a popular destination for tourists and historians.

The Legacy of Joara

The Joara people were a complex and sophisticated society. They were farmers, hunters, fishers, and craftspeople. They were also skilled warriors and diplomats. The Joara people left behind a legacy of cultural achievements that can still be seen today.

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The Joara people were a proud and independent people. They were forced to abandon their village by the Spanish, but they never forgot their heritage. The Joara people are a reminder of the strength and resilience of the Native American people.



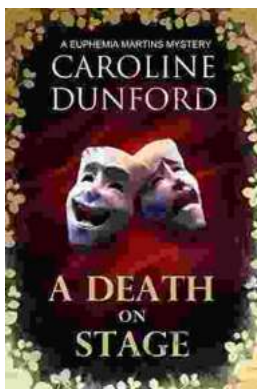
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