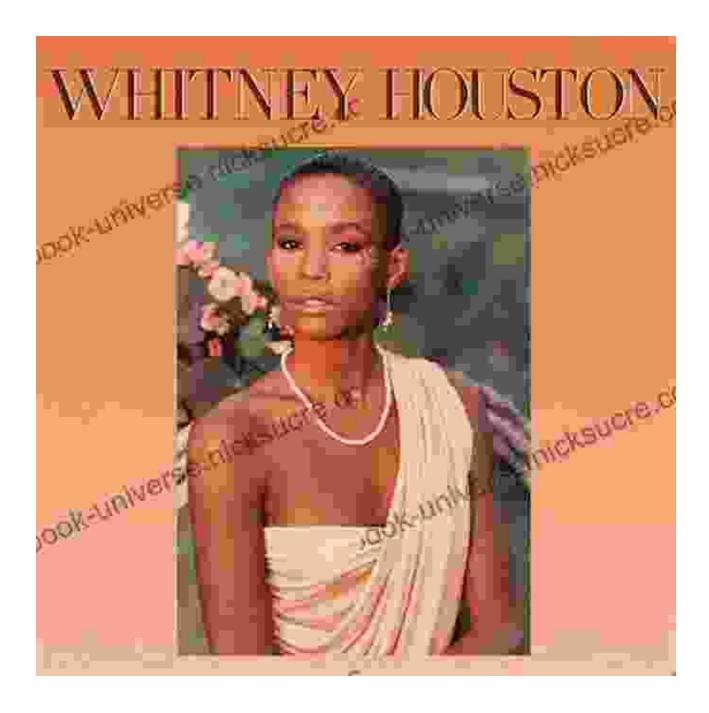
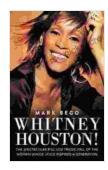
The Spectacular Rise and Tragic Fall of the Woman Whose Voice Inspired a Generation



Whitney Houston was one of the best-selling music artists of all time, with over 200 million records sold worldwide. She was the first woman to have seven consecutive number-one singles on the Billboard Hot 100 chart, and

she won numerous awards, including six Grammy Awards and 22 American Music Awards. Her powerful voice and unforgettable songs inspired a generation, and she remains one of the most iconic singers of all time.



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Early Life and Career

Whitney Houston was born in Newark, New Jersey, on August 9, 1963. Her mother, Cissy Houston, was a gospel singer, and her cousin, Dionne Warwick, was a pop star. Houston began singing in church at a young age, and she quickly developed a powerful voice that could soar to incredible heights.

In 1983, Houston was signed to Arista Records by Clive Davis, the label's president. Davis saw Houston's potential as a crossover artist, and he helped her to develop a pop sound that appealed to a wide audience. Houston's debut album, Whitney Houston, was released in 1985, and it

was an instant success. The album spawned four number-one singles, including "Greatest Love of All" and "How Will I Know."

Peak of Success

Houston's career continued to soar in the late 1980s and early 1990s. She released a string of hit albums, including Whitney (1987), I'm Your Baby Tonight (1990), and The Bodyguard soundtrack (1992). She also starred in several films, including The Bodyguard (1992) and Waiting to Exhale (1995).



THE BODYGUARDS

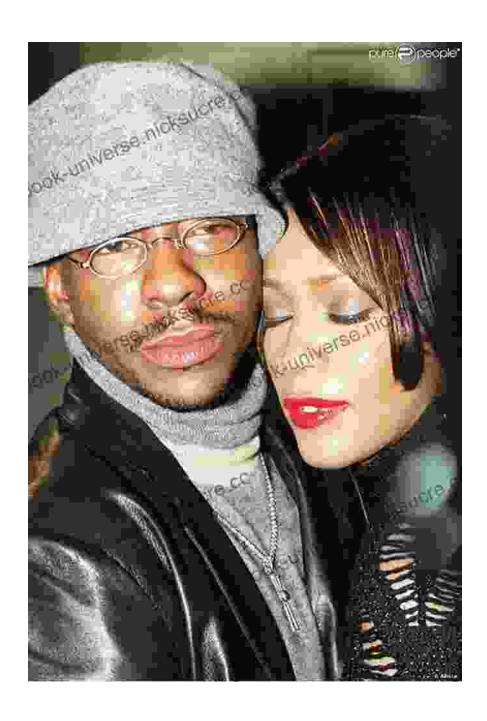
Whitney Houston as Rachel Marron.

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Houston's success was due in large part to her powerful voice and her ability to connect with audiences. She had a natural charisma that made her a star, and her songs were often anthems of love, loss, and hope.

Personal Struggles

Despite her professional success, Houston's personal life was often tumultuous. She struggled with addiction to drugs and alcohol, and she had a volatile relationship with her husband, Bobby Brown. In 2007, Houston filed for divorce from Brown, and she entered rehab for drug addiction.

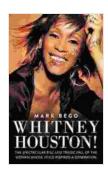


Houston's drug addiction continued to spiral out of control in the years that followed. She was arrested several times for drug possession, and she was hospitalized on multiple occasions. In 2012, Houston was found dead in a bathtub at the Beverly Hilton Hotel. She was 48 years old.

Legacy

Whitney Houston's death was a tragic loss for the music world. She was one of the most talented and successful singers of all time, and her voice inspired a generation. Her legacy continues to live on through her music, which continues to be enjoyed by millions around the world.

Houston's story is a cautionary tale about the dangers of drug addiction. It is a reminder that even the most successful and talented people can be brought down by addiction. It is also a reminder that addiction is a disease that can be treated, and that there is hope for recovery.



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