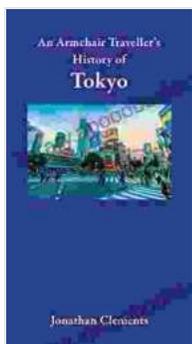


# An Armchair Traveller's Guide to the Enchanting History of Tokyo



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Our journey begins in the humble fishing village of Edo, where the foundation for Tokyo's greatness was laid. We'll stroll through the narrow streets of the Edo period, bustling with artisans, merchants, and the distinctive aroma of street food. Explore the magnificent Edo Castle, the former residence of Japan's powerful shoguns, and witness the grandeur of their reign.



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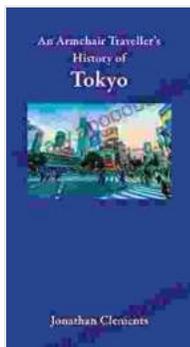


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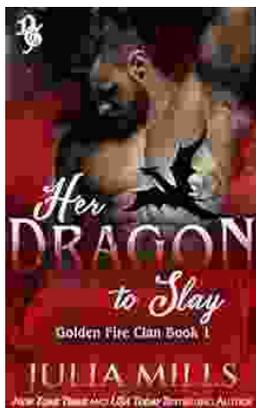
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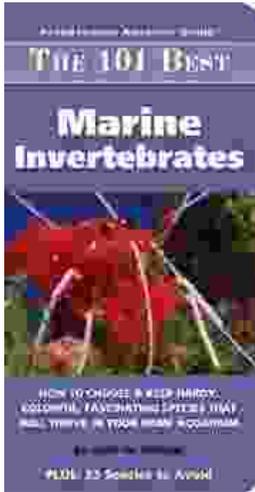
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