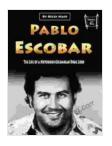
# The Life of Notorious Colombian Drug Lord: Pablo Escobar



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Pablo Emilio Escobar Gaviria was a Colombian drug lord and narcoterrorist who was the founder and sole leader of the Medellín Cartel. Reputed to be the wealthiest criminal in history, he was the most powerful drug trafficker in the world in the 1980s and early 1990s.

Escobar was born in Rionegro, Antioquia, Colombia, on December 1, 1949. He began his criminal career as a smuggler, and by the early 1970s, he had become one of the most powerful drug traffickers in Colombia.

In 1977, Escobar founded the Medellín Cartel, which quickly became one of the most powerful drug cartels in the world. The cartel smuggled cocaine into the United States and Europe, and by the mid-1980s, Escobar was one of the wealthiest men in the world. Escobar's wealth and power allowed him to live a lavish lifestyle. He owned a large mansion in Medellín, and he had a collection of cars, motorcycles, and airplanes. He also had a private army of bodyguards, and he was known for his ruthlessness and violence.

In the late 1980s, Escobar's cartel began to wage a war against the Colombian government. The cartel bombed government buildings, assassinated politicians and police officers, and kidnapped civilians.

In 1993, Escobar was killed by Colombian police in a shootout in Medellín. He was 44 years old.

Escobar's life was a complex and fascinating one. He was a ruthless criminal who was responsible for the deaths of thousands of people. However, he was also a charismatic and generous man who was loved by many of his followers.

Escobar's story is a cautionary tale about the dangers of drug trafficking. It is a story about how greed and power can corrupt even the most well-intentioned people.

#### Early Life

Pablo Escobar was born in Rionegro, Antioquia, Colombia, on December 1, 1949. He was the third of seven children born to Abel de Jesús Escobar Echeverri and Hermilda Gaviria Berrio.

Escobar's father was a farmer, and his mother was a schoolteacher. The family was poor, and Escobar often had to work to help support them. As a

child, Escobar was a bright and curious boy. He was also a talented soccer player.

In 1964, Escobar's family moved to Medellín, Colombia. Escobar attended the University of Antioquia, where he studied economics. However, he dropped out of college after two years to pursue a career in crime.

#### **Criminal Career**

Escobar began his criminal career as a smuggler. He smuggled goods such as cigarettes, alcohol, and electronics into Colombia from neighboring countries.

In the early 1970s, Escobar became involved in the drug trade. He began smuggling cocaine into the United States, and by the mid-1980s, he was one of the most powerful drug traffickers in the world.

Escobar's drug cartel was responsible for smuggling billions of dollars worth of cocaine into the United States. The cartel also laundered money through a variety of businesses, including banks, hotels, and casinos.

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#### War against the Colombian Government

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The Colombian government responded by launching a military offensive against the cartel. The government also offered rewards for information leading to Escobar's capture.

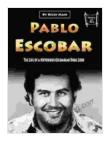
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#### Legacy

Pablo Escobar was one of the most notorious criminals in history. He was responsible for the deaths of thousands of people, and he corrupted the Colombian government and economy.

However, Escobar was also a charismatic and generous man who was loved by many of his followers. He was seen as a Robin Hood figure who helped the poor and fought against the government.

Escobar's legacy is a complex and controversial one. He was a ruthless criminal who caused great suffering, but he was also a charismatic and generous man who was loved by many.



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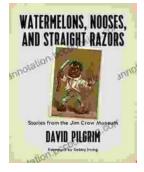
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