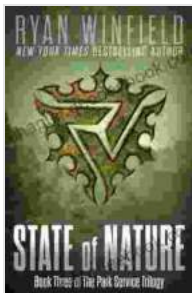


Exploring the History and Legacy of the American West through the Park Service Trilogy



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The Park Service Trilogy is a series of three novels by Wallace Stegner that explore the history of the American West and the National Park Service. The trilogy consists of *The Big Rock Candy Mountain* (1943), *Angle of Repose* (1971), and *Crossing to Safety* (1987).

The Big Rock Candy Mountain

The Big Rock Candy Mountain is the first novel in the Park Service Trilogy. It tells the story of Bo Mason, a young man who grows up in the West during the early 20th century. Bo dreams of finding the "big rock candy

mountain," a mythical place where the streets are paved with gold and the rivers flow with milk and honey. However, as he grows older, Bo comes to realize that the big rock candy mountain is just an illusion.

The Big Rock Candy Mountain is a coming-of-age story that explores the themes of disillusionment, disappointment, and the search for meaning in life. Stegner's writing is lyrical and evocative, and he captures the beauty and harshness of the American West in vivid detail.

Angle of Repose

Angle of Repose is the second novel in the Park Service Trilogy. It tells the story of Lyman Ward, a geologist who travels to the West in the late 19th century. Lyman is haunted by the memories of his wife, Susan, who died in childbirth. As he travels through the West, Lyman comes to terms with his grief and finds a new appreciation for the beauty of the natural world.

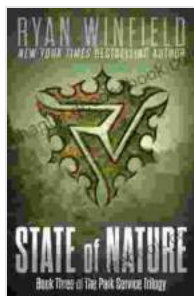
Angle of Repose is a lyrical and moving novel that explores the themes of love, loss, and redemption. Stegner's writing is rich and evocative, and he captures the beauty and fragility of the American West in vivid detail.

Crossing to Safety

Crossing to Safety is the third novel in the Park Service Trilogy. It tells the story of Larry Morgan and Sally Weston, two friends who meet in college in the 1930s. Larry is a writer, and Sally is a painter. They fall in love and marry, but their relationship is tested by the challenges of life. As they age, Larry and Sally come to realize that the most important things in life are love, friendship, and family.

Crossing to Safety is a heartwarming and moving novel that explores the themes of love, friendship, and the meaning of life. Stegner's writing is lyrical and evocative, and he captures the beauty and complexity of the American West in vivid detail.

The Park Service Trilogy is a masterpiece of American literature. Stegner's writing is lyrical and evocative, and he captures the beauty and harshness of the American West in vivid detail. The trilogy explores the themes of history, memory, and the search for meaning in life. Stegner's novels are a must-read for anyone interested in the American West or the history of the National Park Service.



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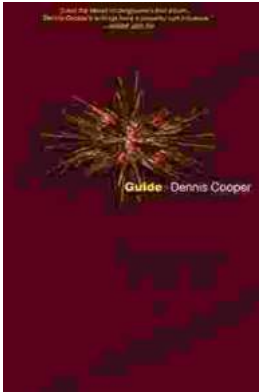
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