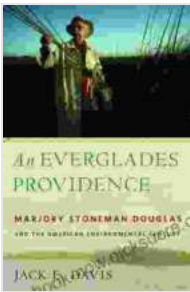


# Marjory Stoneman Douglas: A Trailblazer for American Environmentalism

Marjory Stoneman Douglas, an American environmentalist, author, and journalist, dedicated her life to the protection of the Florida Everglades. She is widely recognized as one of the pioneers of the American environmental movement in the 20th century.



## An Everglades Providence: Marjory Stoneman Douglas and the American Environmental Century (Environmental History and the American South Ser.)

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Douglas was born in 1890 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. As a child, she developed a deep love for nature and the outdoors. Douglas's family moved to Florida in 1915, where she was inspired by the beauty of the Everglades. She began writing about the region in the 1920s, and eventually her work led to the establishment of Everglades National Park in 1947.

Douglas's most famous book, *The Everglades: River of Grass*, was published in 1947. The book is a lyrical and poetic celebration of the Everglades ecosystem. It was a critical and commercial success, and it has been credited with raising awareness about the importance of the Everglades.

Douglas continued to write and speak about environmental issues throughout her life. She served as a trustee of the National Audubon Society, and she was a founding member of the Everglades Coalition. Douglas's work helped to establish the framework for environmental protection in the United States.

Douglas's legacy is immense. She is credited with helping to save the Everglades from destruction and inspiring generations of environmentalists. Her work continues to be a source of inspiration for those who are dedicated to protecting the environment.

## **Douglas's Contributions to Environmentalism**

Douglas made numerous contributions to the American environmental movement. Her most significant achievements include:

- **Writing *The Everglades: River of Grass*:** Douglas's book is a seminal work in American environmental literature. It helped to raise awareness about the importance of the Everglades and inspired a generation of environmentalists.
- **Establishing Everglades National Park:** Douglas was instrumental in the establishment of Everglades National Park in 1947. The park is one of the most important protected areas in the United States. It is

home to a wide variety of plant and animal life, and it is a popular destination for tourists.

- **Founding the Everglades Coalition:** Douglas was a founding member of the Everglades Coalition, a group of organizations dedicated to protecting the Everglades. The coalition has been successful in advocating for policies that protect the Everglades.
- **Serving as a Trustee of the National Audubon Society:** Douglas served as a trustee of the National Audubon Society for many years. She was a strong advocate for bird conservation, and she helped to protect many important bird habitats.

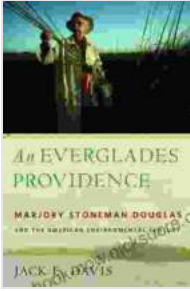
## **Douglas's Legacy**

Douglas's legacy is immense. She is considered one of the most important environmentalists of the 20th century. Her work helped to raise awareness about the importance of the environment, and she inspired generations of environmentalists. Douglas's legacy continues to inspire people today, and her work remains a valuable resource for those who are dedicated to protecting the environment.

Marjory Stoneman Douglas was a pioneer of the American environmental movement. Her work helped to raise awareness about the importance of the environment, and she inspired generations of environmentalists.

Douglas's legacy is immense, and her work continues to inspire people today. She is a true American hero.

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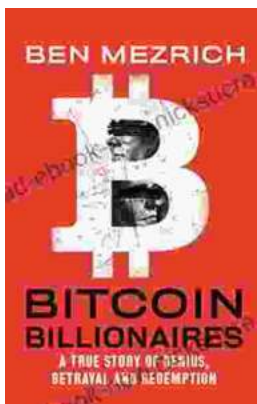
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