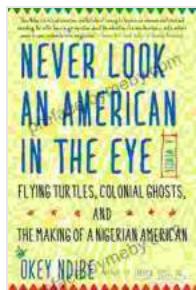


# Memoir of Flying Turtles, Colonial Ghosts, and the Making of Nigerian American



## Never Look an American in the Eye: A Memoir of Flying Turtles, Colonial Ghosts, and the Making of a Nigerian American by Okey Ndibe

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## A Journey Through Time and Memory

Prepare to embark on an extraordinary literary journey with "Memoir of Flying Turtles, Colonial Ghosts, and the Making of Nigerian American." This captivating memoir by acclaimed author Uzoma Nwankpa invites readers to witness the poignant, humorous, and thought-provoking experiences of Nigerian Americans.

Through a unique blend of storytelling, historical analysis, and cultural introspection, Nwankpa weaves together personal narratives that span generations, continents, and cultures. From her own childhood in Nigeria to her family's immigration to the United States, she paints a vivid portrait of the triumphs and challenges that shape the Nigerian American experience.



## Flying Turtles: A Symbol of Hope and Imagination

The title of the memoir, "Flying Turtles," holds immense significance. In Nigerian folklore, turtles are revered as symbols of wisdom and longevity. However, the concept of a "flying turtle" defies conventional expectations, representing the boundless possibilities and dreams that Nigerian Americans carry with them.

Throughout the memoir, flying turtles emerge as poignant motifs, embodying the aspirations and resilience of the author and her community. They serve as a reminder that even in the face of adversity, the human spirit has the capacity to soar.

### **Colonial Ghosts: Uncovering the Past's Legacy**

Nwankpa's memoir delves into the complex history of Nigeria and its colonial past. She confronts the lingering effects of colonization, racism, and cultural erasure, exploring how these factors have shaped the lives of Nigerian Americans.



Through evocative storytelling and meticulous research, Nwankpa uncovers the hidden histories and forgotten narratives that have influenced the present-day experiences of Nigerian Americans. Her poignant exploration of these "colonial ghosts" sheds light on the enduring impact of the past.

## **The Making of Nigerian American: Identity and Belonging**

At the heart of the memoir lies a profound exploration of identity and belonging. Nwankpa navigates the complexities of being both Nigerian and American, examining the ways in which these identities intersect and sometimes conflict.

She delves into the challenges of forging a sense of home in a society that can be both welcoming and alienating. Through personal anecdotes and insightful reflections, she unravels the multifaceted nature of being Nigerian American.



### **A Tapestry of Voices and Perspectives**

"Memoir of Flying Turtles, Colonial Ghosts, and the Making of Nigerian American" is not simply Nwankpa's story but a tapestry woven from the voices and perspectives of countless Nigerian Americans. She interviews

family members, friends, and community leaders, capturing the diverse experiences and aspirations of this vibrant community.

By presenting a kaleidoscope of perspectives, Nwankpa creates a rich and nuanced portrayal of the Nigerian American experience. She highlights the commonalities that unite them while acknowledging the unique journeys that have shaped their lives.

## **A Must-Read for Anyone Interested in History, Culture, and the Human Experience**

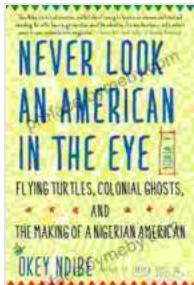
Whether you have a deep connection to Nigerian culture or are simply fascinated by the complexities of human identity, "Memoir of Flying Turtles, Colonial Ghosts, and the Making of Nigerian American" is a must-read.

Uzoma Nwankpa's powerful storytelling, profound insights, and unwavering determination to confront the past and present make this memoir an unforgettable and transformative experience. It is a book that will linger in your mind long after you finish reading, inspiring you to reflect on your own journey and the broader tapestry of human history.

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