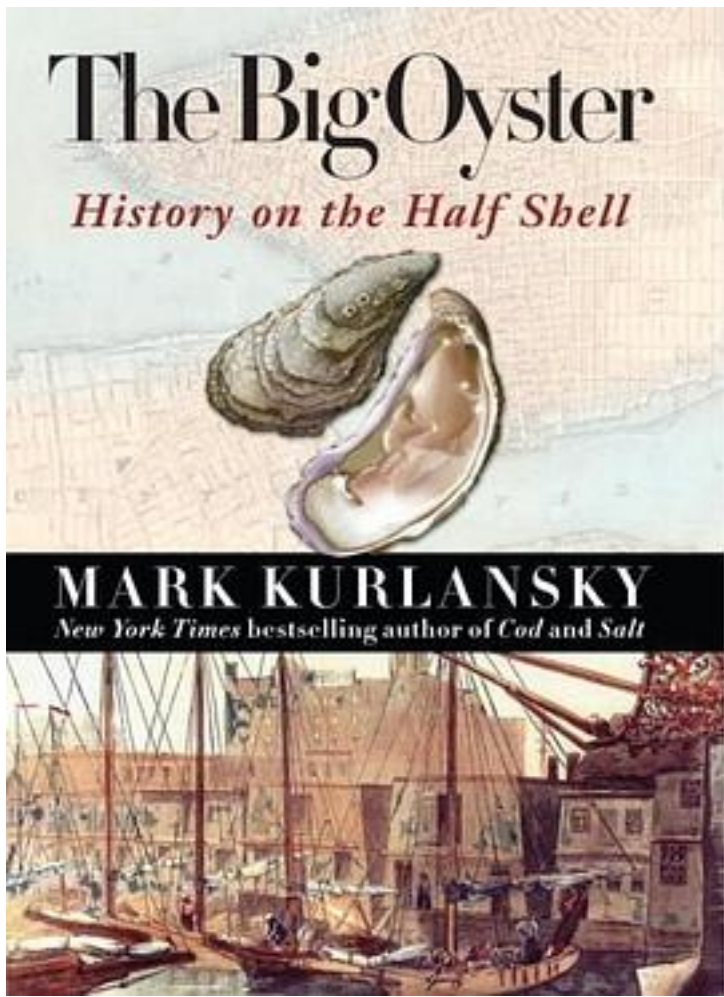


# The Big Oyster



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Before New York City was the Big Apple, it could have been called the Big Oyster. Now award-winning author Mark Kurlansky tells the remarkable story of New York by

following the trajectory of one of its most fascinating inhabitants—the oyster, whose influence on the great metropolis remains unparalleled.

For centuries New York was famous for its oysters, which until the early 1900s played such a dominant role in the city’s economy, gastronomy, and ecology that the abundant bivalves were Gotham’s most celebrated export, a staple food for the wealthy, the poor, and tourists alike, and the primary natural defense against pollution for the city’s congested waterways.

Filled with cultural, historical, and culinary insight—along with historic recipes, maps, drawings, and photos—this dynamic narrative sweeps readers from the island hunting ground of the Lenape Indians to the death of the oyster beds and the rise of America’s environmentalist movement, from the oyster cellars of the rough-and-tumble Five Points slums to Manhattan’s Gilded Age dining chambers.

Kurlansky brings characters vividly to life while recounting dramatic incidents that changed the course of New York history. Here are the stories behind Peter Stuyvesant’s peg leg and Robert Fulton’s “Folly”; the oyster merchant and pioneering African American leader Thomas Downing; the birth of the business lunch at Delmonico’s; early feminist Fanny Fern, one of the highest-paid newspaper writers in the city; even “Diamond” Jim Brady, who we discover was not the gourmand of popular legend.

With *The Big Oyster*, Mark Kurlansky serves up history at its most engrossing, entertaining, and delicious.

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## 评论

早上办事途中翻完.趣味小册子通过生蚝讲NYC历史变迁的.但我地理很差..NYC harbor我都没去过啊..读的糊里糊涂的。途中想到几个无关的点.1生蚝虽然经常被当成aphrodisiac割消费者但我觉得商家用错论据了。食物锌含量高vs精液锌浓度高也许只是补补锌降低死精率吧。2锌的代谢需要消耗铜元素..补太多缺铜了怎么办？头发会变钢丝球么3.如果精游离锌增加，精子尾部弯曲，形态结构发生了变化..功能可否正常？ well..all my inquiries seemed disturbingly cheerful 我得多看看书研究下以上问题..

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大苹果和大牡蛎  
纽约是个令人惊叹的城市。无论是曼哈顿岛上拥有宝马香车的名人，哈姆莱街区上闲逛的小混混，还是偶尔到此一游的观光者，他们面对这个城市的时候都会感到一种强大的生命力。这个城市巨大，丰富，虽然泥沙俱下却生气勃勃。用美国大诗人惠特曼的话来说，这片土...

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