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The bestselling master of historical fiction weaves a grand, sweeping drama of New York from the city's founding to the present day.

Rutherfurd celebrates America's greatest city in a rich, engrossing saga that showcases his extraordinary ability to combine impeccable historical research and storytelling

flair. As in his earlier, bestselling novels, he illuminates cultural, social, and political upheavals through the lives of a remarkably diverse set of families.

As he recounts the intertwining fates of characters rich and poor, black and white, native born and immigrant, Rutherford brings to life the momentous events that shaped New York and America: the Revolutionary War, the emergence of the city as a great trading and financial center, the excesses of the Gilded Age, the explosion of immigration in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, the trials of World War II, the near-demise of New York in the 1970s and its roaring rebirth in the '90s, and the attacks on the World Trade Center. Sprinkled throughout are captivating cameo appearances by historical figures ranging from George Washington to Abraham Lincoln to Babe Ruth.

New York is the book that millions of Rutherford's American fans have been waiting for. A brilliant mix of romance, war, family drama, and personal triumphs, it gloriously captures the search for freedom and prosperity at the heart of our nation's history.

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评论

以一家第一批移民到纽约的丹麦家庭在在纽约生活的起起伏伏，基本上以10年为一个间隔，介绍家庭主要成员的生活和社会交流，基本包括了纽约历史中的重大事件，如英国人占领纽约，独立战争，南北战争，大寒流，最严重的纺织厂失火事件。。。最后到911.了解到社会主流思想的变化历程。最好作者总结了纽约的两个重要方面，dream，freedom

最近在同时看另外一本华人写的“纽约无人是客”正好两边对照，有了更好的理解。唯一的遗憾就是开篇的那个黑人奴隶家庭，过了几代后，在南北战争期间，在爱尔兰人大暴动中被杀，结果没有延续下来。现在黑人在纽约人数还是不少的，在纽约发展中也应该有其地位，本书中南北战争后基本没有黑人生活的描述了。

四个月啊终于翻到最后一页。以一家人的命运为轴讲述一个城市的历史乃至一个国家的历史并不新奇，然而作为从没有系统了解过美国历史的人这本书是非常愉悦的读物，不能说多么文学但是胜在轻松好读。

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