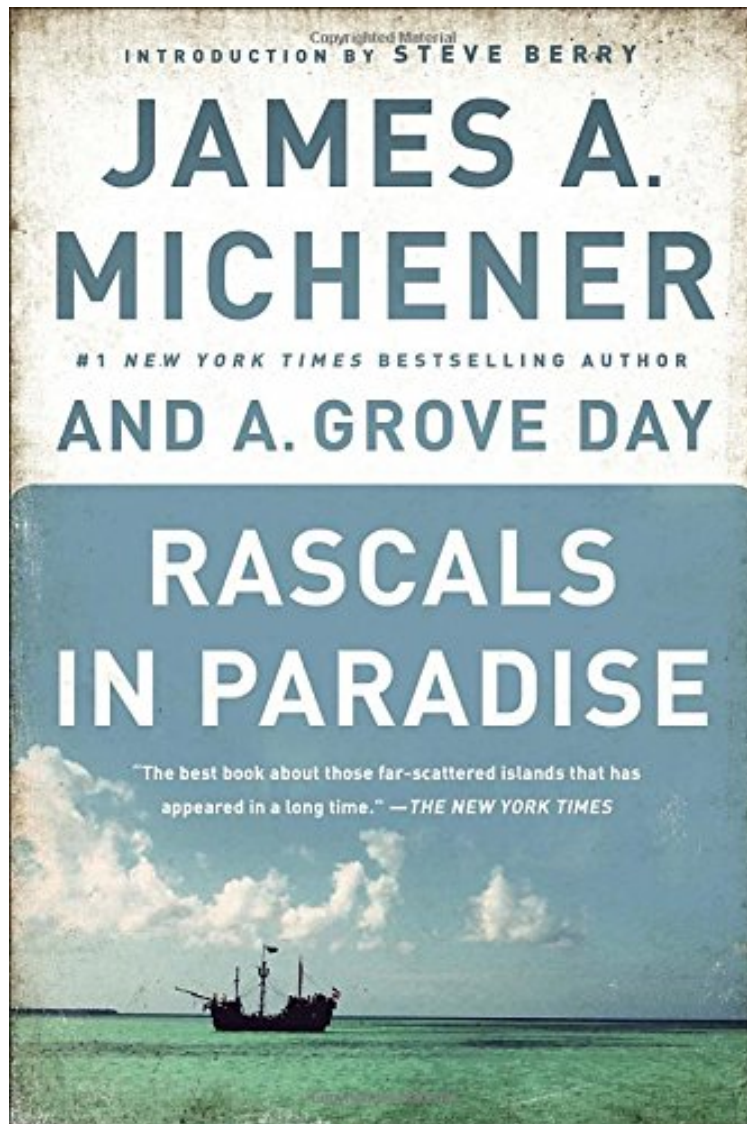


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know I was way to sheltered and uninformed. I feel fortunate I made it to retirement age in tact (mostly).1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Not up to Michener standards, but still worth itBy Jack E. JenningsI read this to learn more about the exploration and adventurers in the South Pacific which I enjoyed, but this isn't James Michener's writing so must be his co-author, A.Grove Day who is not nearly as effective-entertaining. Nonetheless I did learn and stimulate my interest in knowing more and visiting the islands.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Four StarsBy SteveSome of the stories I really enjoyed others not so much. The good ones were really good though.

In a thrilling collection of nonfiction adventure stories, James A. Michener returns to the most dazzling place on Earth: the islands that inspired *Tales of the South Pacific*. Co-written with A. Grove Day, *Rascals in Paradise* offers portraits of ten scandalous men and women, some infamous and some overlooked, including Sam Comstock, a mutinous sailor whose delusions of grandeur became a nightmare; Will Mariner, a golden-haired youth who used his charm to win over his captors; and William Bligh, the notorious HMS *Bounty* captain who may not have been the monster history remembers him as. From lifelong buccaneers to lapsed noblemen, in Michener and Day's capable hands these rogues become the stuff of legend. Praise for *Rascals in Paradise* "The best book about those far-scattered islands that has appeared in a long time . . . a portfolio of rare and ruthless personalities that is calculated to make the curliest hair stand straight on end."—*The New York Times* "[Combines] research and scholarship (A. Grove Day was a professor at the University of Hawaii) with a gift for spinning a yarn and depicting character (Michener, journalist and novelist, needs no introduction)."—*Kirkus Reviews*From the Paperback edition.

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