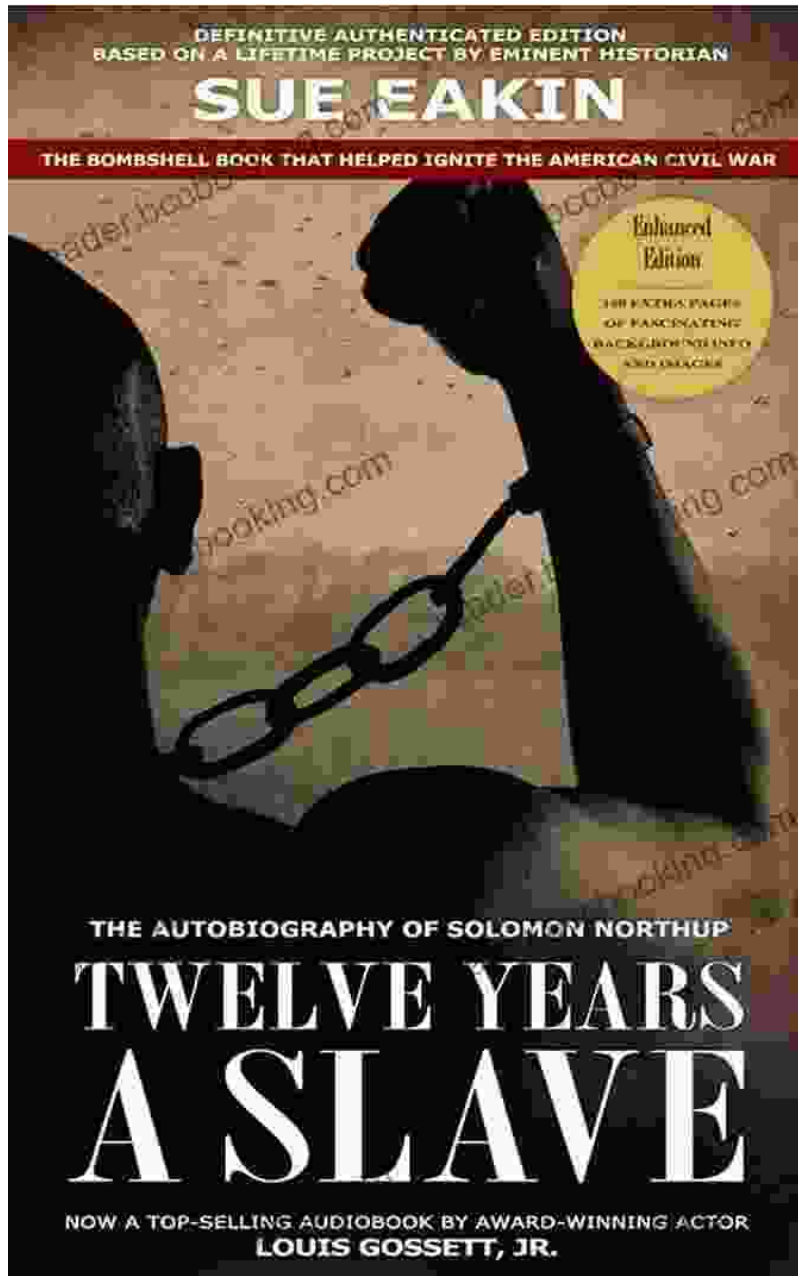


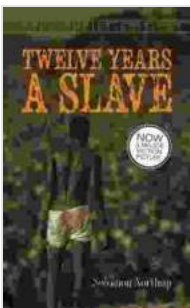
# Twelve Years a Slave: A Harrowing True Story of Survival and Redemption



Solomon Northup was a free black man living in Saratoga Springs, New York, when he was kidnapped in 1841 and sold into slavery in the antebellum South. For twelve long years, he endured unspeakable horrors

on plantations in Louisiana and Mississippi. But throughout his ordeal, he never lost hope. He clung to his faith and his memories of his family, and he refused to be broken.

In 1853, Northup finally regained his freedom. He returned to New York and wrote an account of his experiences, which was published in 1853 as *Twelve Years a Slave*. The book was a bestseller and helped to galvanize the abolitionist movement. It remains one of the most powerful and moving firsthand accounts of slavery ever written.



## **Twelve Years a Slave (Dover Thrift Editions: Black History)** by Solomon Northup

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### **A Harrowing Journey**

Northup's journey into slavery began when he was approached by two men who offered him a job as a performer in a traveling circus. He agreed, and the men took him to Washington, D.C., where he was drugged and sold to a slave trader.

From there, Northup was taken to New Orleans and sold to a slave owner named William Ford. Ford was a cruel and brutal master who worked his slaves mercilessly. Northup was forced to work long hours in the fields, and he was often beaten and whipped. He was also separated from his family and friends, and he lived in constant fear of being sold away to another master.

Despite the horrors he endured, Northup never gave up hope. He befriended other slaves, and he learned to read and write. He also found solace in his faith, and he prayed regularly for deliverance.

### **A Triumphant Return**

In 1853, Northup's luck finally changed. He met a white lawyer who helped him to file a lawsuit for his freedom. After a long and difficult legal battle, Northup was finally freed.

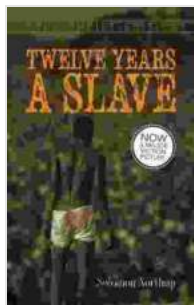
He returned to New York a changed man. He was no longer the carefree young man who had been kidnapped twelve years earlier. He was now a hardened survivor, but he had also emerged from his ordeal with a profound sense of gratitude and a deep commitment to fighting for the abolition of slavery.

### **A Legacy of Hope**

Twelve Years a Slave is a powerful and moving account of one man's experience of slavery. It is a testament to the resilience of the human spirit and the power of hope. Northup's story has inspired generations of readers, and it continues to be a valuable resource for understanding the horrors of slavery and the struggle for freedom.

Twelve Years a Slave is a must-read for anyone interested in American history, slavery, or the human condition. It is a harrowing yet ultimately triumphant story that will stay with you long after you finish reading it.

Free Download your copy of Twelve Years a Slave today and learn the true story of one man's extraordinary journey from slavery to freedom.



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