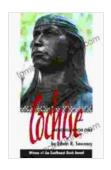
# Chiricahua Apache Chief: The Civilization of the American Indian 204

The Chiricahua Apache were a Native American tribe who lived in the southwestern United States and northern Mexico. They were known for their fierce resistance to European and American encroachment, and for their skilled warriors, led by the legendary chief Geronimo.



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### **Chiricahua Apache History**

The Chiricahua Apache are believed to have descended from the Athabaskan-speaking peoples who migrated to North America from Asia thousands of years ago. They settled in the mountainous region of what is now Arizona, New Mexico, and Sonora, Mexico. The Chiricahua were a nomadic people, following the seasonal movements of game animals. They were also skilled farmers, growing corn, beans, and squash.

In the 16th century, the Spanish arrived in the Southwest and began to colonize the region. The Chiricahua Apache resisted Spanish rule and were often at war with the Spanish colonists. In the 19th century, the United States acquired the Southwest from Mexico, and the Chiricahua Apache continued to resist American expansion.

In 1876, the Chiricahua Apache were forced to surrender to the United States Army and were moved to a reservation in San Carlos, Arizona. Geronimo and a band of followers escaped from the reservation in 1885 and led a bloody campaign against American forces. Geronimo was finally captured in 1886 and the Chiricahua Apache were sent to a prison in Florida.

### **Chiricahua Apache Culture**

The Chiricahua Apache had a rich and complex culture. They were known for their skilled craftspeople, who made beautiful pottery, baskets, and jewelry. They were also skilled musicians and dancers.

The Chiricahua Apache had a strong sense of community and family. They lived in extended families, and the elders were highly respected. The Chiricahua Apache also had a strong spiritual tradition, and they believed in a creator god named Ussen.

### **Chiricahua Apache Chief**

Geronimo was the most famous Chiricahua Apache chief. He was born in 1829 in the San Carlos Mountains of Arizona. Geronimo became a war chief in the 1850s and led his people in a series of raids against Mexican and American settlers.

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Geronimo was a skilled warrior and a fierce leader. He was also a controversial figure, and his legacy is still debated today. Some people view him as a hero who fought for the freedom of his people, while others see him as a ruthless killer.

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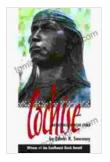
The Civilization of the American Indian 204 is a book by the American anthropologist Clark Wissler. The book was first published in 1922 and has since become a classic work on the history and culture of the American Indians.

Wissler's book is divided into four parts. The first part provides a general overview of the history and culture of the American Indians. The second part discusses the different cultural areas of the Americas, including the Southwest, the Plains, the Great Lakes, the Northeast, and the Southeast. The third part focuses on the social organization of the American Indians, including their kinship systems, political systems, and religious beliefs. The fourth part discusses the impact of European colonization on the American Indians.

The Civilization of the American Indian 204 is a valuable resource for anyone who is interested in learning more about the history and culture of

the American Indians. The book is well-written and informative, and it provides a comprehensive overview of the subject.

The Chiricahua Apache were a fierce and proud people who fought for their freedom and their way of life. Their story is a reminder of the resilience and strength of the American Indians.



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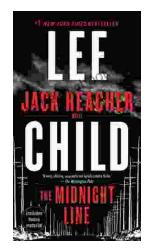
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