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#### **History of the Blue Funnel Line**

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The Blue Funnel Line was founded in 1865 by Alfred Holt and Philip Rathbone. The company's first ships were sailing vessels, but it soon switched to steamships. In the early 20th century, the Blue Funnel Line became one of the world's leading shipping companies, with a fleet of over 100 ships.

During World War I, the Blue Funnel Line's ships were used to transport troops and supplies to the front lines. The company's ships also played a role in the Gallipoli Campaign and the Dardanelles Campaign.

#### The Blue Funnel Line in World War II

When World War II broke out in 1939, the Blue Funnel Line had a fleet of over 150 ships. The company's ships were immediately put to use transporting troops and supplies to the front lines. The Blue Funnel Line's ships also played a vital role in the evacuation of Dunkirk in 1940.

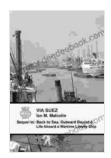
During the war, the Blue Funnel Line's ships were targeted by German submarines and aircraft. The company lost over 50 ships and over 1,000 sailors during the war.

#### The Legacy of the Blue Funnel Line

The Blue Funnel Line's sailors played a vital role in the Allied victory in World War II. The company's ships transported millions of tons of supplies to the front lines, and its sailors faced danger and hardship in the process.

The Blue Funnel Line's legacy continues today. The company is still one of the world's leading shipping companies, and its ships continue to transport goods and supplies around the world.

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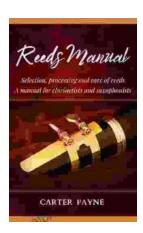
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