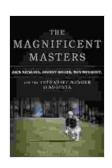
The 1975 Cliffhanger at Augusta: Jack Nicklaus, Johnny Miller, and Tom Weiskopf's Duel for the Green Jacket

The 1975 Masters Tournament will forever be remembered as one of the most dramatic and exciting in history. The final round featured a three-way playoff between three of the game's biggest stars: Jack Nicklaus, Johnny Miller, and Tom Weiskopf.

Nicklaus, the defending champion, was seeking his fifth Green Jacket. Miller was a rising star who had won the U.S. Open the previous year. Weiskopf was a two-time major champion who was looking to add the Masters to his resume.



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The final round was played in difficult conditions, with strong winds and heavy rain. Nicklaus and Miller each shot 69s, while Weiskopf shot a 70. The three players headed to a playoff, which would be played over the 18th hole.

On the first playoff hole, Nicklaus hit a poor drive into the trees. Miller and Weiskopf both hit their drives down the middle of the fairway. Miller then hit a brilliant approach shot to within 10 feet of the hole. Weiskopf's approach shot was also good, leaving him with a 15-foot putt for birdie.

Nicklaus needed to make a birdie to stay alive in the playoff. He hit a great shot from the trees, but it came up just short of the green. He then chipped to within 10 feet of the hole and made the putt to save par.

Miller had a chance to win the playoff on the first hole, but he missed his birdie putt. Weiskopf then missed his birdie putt as well, and the three players headed to the second playoff hole.

On the second playoff hole, Nicklaus hit a great drive down the middle of the fairway. Miller and Weiskopf both hit their drives into the trees. Miller was able to recover and hit a good approach shot, but Weiskopf was forced to lay up. Nicklaus then hit a brilliant approach shot to within 12 feet of the hole. Miller's third shot was good, leaving him with a 15-foot putt for birdie. Weiskopf's third shot was also good, leaving him with a 10-foot putt for birdie.

Nicklaus had a chance to win the playoff on the second hole, but he missed his birdie putt. Miller then missed his birdie putt as well, and the three players headed to the third playoff hole.

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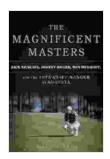
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Miller had a chance to win the playoff on the third hole, but he missed his birdie putt. Weiskopf then missed his birdie putt as well, and the three players headed to the fourth playoff hole.

On the fourth playoff hole, Nicklaus hit a great drive down the middle of the fairway. Miller and Weiskopf both hit their drives into the trees. Miller was able to recover and hit a good approach shot, but Weiskopf was forced to lay up. Nicklaus then hit a brilliant approach shot to within 10 feet of the hole. Miller's third shot was good, leaving him with a 15-foot putt for birdie. Weiskopf's third shot was also good, leaving him with a 10-foot putt for birdie.

Nicklaus had a chance to win the playoff on the fourth hole, but he missed his birdie putt. Miller then made his birdie putt to win the 1975 Masters Tournament.

The 1975 Cliffhanger at Augusta was one of the most dramatic and exciting finishes in Masters history. The three-way playoff between Nicklaus, Miller, and Weiskopf is still remembered as one of the greatest duels in golf history.



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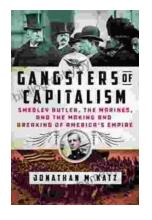
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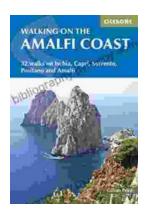


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