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Beyond the Big Ditch Penguin

Cutting a path from the Atlantic to the Pacific, the Panama Canal set a new course for the development of Central America—but at considerable cost to Panamanians. Sleuth and scholar Marixa Lasso recounts how the canal's American builders displaced 40,000 residents and erased entire towns in the guise of bringing modernity to the tropics.

The Lost Towns of the Panama Canal Garden City, N.Y. : Doubleday, Page

A historical and ethnographic study of the conflict between global transportation and rural development as the two intersect at the Panama Canal. In this innovative book, Ashley Carse traces the water that flows into and out from the Panama Canal to explain how global shipping is entangled with Panama's cultural and physical landscapes. By following container ships as they travel downstream along maritime routes and tracing rivers upstream across the populated watershed that feeds the canal, he explores the politics of environmental management around a waterway that links faraway ports and markets to nearby farms, forests, cities, and rural communities. Carse draws on a wide range of ethnographic and archival material to show the social and ecological implications of transportation across Panama. The Canal moves ships over an aquatic staircase of locks that demand an enormous amount of fresh water from the surrounding region. Each passing ship drains 52 million gallons out to sea—a volume comparable to the daily water use of half a million Panamanians. Infrastructures like the Panama Canal, Carse argues, do not simply conquer nature; they rework ecologies in ways that serve specific political and economic priorities. Interweaving histories that range from the depopulation of the U.S. Canal Zone a century ago to road construction conflicts and water hyacinth invasions in canal waters, the book illuminates the human and nonhuman actors that have come together at the margins of the famous trade route. 2014 marks the 100th anniversary of the Panama Canal. *Beyond the Big Ditch* calls us to consider how infrastructures are materially embedded in place, producing environments with winners and losers.

The Path Between the Seas Forgotten Books

How Wall Street Created a Nation: J.P. Morgan, Teddy Roosevelt, and the Panama Canal narrates the dramatic and gripping account of the beginnings of the Panama Canal led by a group of Wall Street speculators with the help of Teddy Roosevelt's government. The result of four years of research, the book offers the real story of how the United States obtained the rights to build the Canal through financial speculation, fraud, and an international conspiracy that brought down a French republic and a Colombian government, created the Republic of Panama, rocked the invincible President Roosevelt with corruption scandals, and gave birth to U.S. imperialism in Latin America.

Silver and Gold: Primedia E-launch LLC

A revelatory look at a momentous undertaking—from the workers' point of view The Panama Canal has long been celebrated as a triumph of American engineering and ingenuity. In *The Canal*

Builders, Julie Greene reveals that this emphasis has obscured a far more remarkable element of the historic enterprise: the tens of thousands of workingmen and workingwomen who traveled from all around the world to build it. Greene looks past the mythology surrounding the canal to expose the difficult working conditions and discriminatory policies involved in its construction. Drawing extensively on letters, memoirs, and government documents, the book chronicles both the struggles and the triumphs of the workers and their families. Prodigiously researched and vividly told, *The Canal Builders* explores the human dimensions of one of the world's greatest labor mobilizations, and reveals how it launched America's twentieth-century empire.

The Story of the Panama Canal Abacus

In 1964, Edwin and Jean Armbruster left their home in the United States to raise their family on the Panama Canal Zone, a little known American territory in the Central American country of Panama. In *Canal Zone Daughter*, Judy (Armbruster) Haisten chronicles her unique childhood culminating to the crushing loss when former President Jimmy Carter signs treaties that effectively eliminates her -and fellow U.S. citizens' -former home. Charming, funny, and poignant, the author captures her remarkable American story in an exotic place and time. www.canalzoneddaughter.com

Clara's Way Simon and Schuster

Never before has one man embodied the history of the Panama Canal. Author Dr. Guillermo Evers Airall was born and raised in the Panama Canal Zone, later immigrated to the United States and became a US military officer. His father shared many secrets about the inequality of life during the construction of the Panama Canal due to harsh segregation. This book illustrates how silver and gold were used as metaphors to symbolize two cultures, two races of people, the marginalized and the privileged.

The Story of the Panama Canal Harvard University Press

Fourteen-year-old Mateo and other Caribbean islanders face discrimination, segregation, and harsh working conditions when American recruiters lure them to the Panamanian rain forest in 1906 to build the great canal.

The Canal Builders Dorrance Publishing

One hundred years ago, the world celebrated the opening of the Panama Canal, which connected the world's two largest oceans and signaled America's emergence as a global superpower. It was a miracle, this path of water where a mountain had stood—and creating a miracle is no easy thing. Thousands lost their lives, and those who survived worked under the harshest conditions for only a few silver coins a day. From the young "silver people" whose back-breaking labor built the Canal to the denizens of the endangered rainforest itself, this is the story of one of the largest and most difficult engineering projects ever undertaken, as only Newbery Honor-winning author Margarita Engle could tell it.

Silver People HarperCollins

Relates the history of how the Panama Canal was planned and built, including the political, international, and health aspects of getting the project finished on time.

The Big Ditch Nabu Press

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[The Story of the Panama Canal](#) Tracey Jimerson

On August 15, 1914, the Panama Canal officially opened for business, forever changing the face of global trade and military power, as well as the role of the United States on the world stage. The Canal's creation is often seen as an example of U.S. triumphalism, but Noel Maurer and Carlos Yu reveal a more complex story. Examining the Canal's influence on Panama, the United States, and the world, *The Big Ditch* deftly chronicles the economic and political history of the Canal, from Spain's earliest proposals in 1529 through the final handover of the Canal to Panama on December 31, 1999, to the present day. The authors show that the Canal produced great economic dividends for the first quarter-century following its opening, despite massive cost overruns and delays. Relying on geographical advantage and military might, the United States captured most of these benefits. By the 1970s, however, when the Carter administration negotiated the eventual turnover of the Canal back to Panama, the strategic and economic value of the Canal had disappeared. And yet, contrary to skeptics who believed it was impossible for a fledgling nation plagued by corruption to manage the Canal, when the Panamanians finally had control, they switched the Canal from a public utility to a for-profit corporation, ultimately running it better than their northern patrons. A remarkable tale, *The Big Ditch* offers vital lessons about the impact of large-scale infrastructure projects, American overseas interventions on institutional development, and the ability of governments to run companies effectively.

The Story of the Panama Canal Penguin

The Panama Canal: 66 Fascinating Facts For Kids***In the late 18th century the French began work on building a canal across Panama, but after eight years of battling against tropical disease, thick jungle and raging rivers, they finally admitted defeat and returned home. 25 years later the Americans succeeded where the French had failed, constructing the Panama Canal, a 50-mile-long (80 km) waterway connecting the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.***The Panama Canal almost ended up as the Nicaragua Canal. The Central American country of Nicaragua was a serious consideration for the building of a canal connecting the Pacific and the Atlantic, but Panama was chosen in the end.***The Panama Canal has 12 huge locks which form a massive water-filled staircase to transport ships over the mountains of Panama. Each 1,000-foot-long (76 m) lock is only 250 feet (76 m) shorter than the height of the Empire State Building. These are just a few of our fascinating facts about the Panama Canal - why not find out more? We hope that the facts about the Panama Canal in our book will fascinate you and encourage you to learn even more about this remarkable engineering project. Chapters: The Search for a Shortcut | The French Attempt | The United States Takes Over | Work Begins | The Panama Canal Plan | The Culebra Cut | The Gatun Dam | The

Panama Canal Locks | Completion | Assorted Panama Canal Facts

The Panama Canal Greenwood

The Panama Canal has a long history. It was built to accommodate trade and the economic growth within the region. This history book will discuss the architecture, purpose and design of Panama Canal. Know about the timelines, the primary responsibilities and the historical truths of this very useful area. Go ahead and grab a copy today.

The Story of the Panama Canal Anchor

2014 is the 100-year-anniversary of the Panama Canal: one of the most extraordinary engineering feats in world history. *Hell's Gorge* traces a heroic dream that spanned four centuries: to build a canal linking the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. The human cost was immense: in appalling working conditions and amid epidemics of fever, tens of thousands perished fighting the jungle, swamps and mountains of Panama, a scale of attrition comparable to many great battles. Matthew Parker explores the fierce geo-political struggle behind the heroic vision of the canal, and the immense engineering and medical battles that were fought. But he also weaves in the stories of the ordinary men and women who worked on the canal, to evoke everyday life on the construction and depict the battle on the ground deep in 'Hell's Gorge'. Using diaries, memoirs, contemporary newspapers and previously unseen private letters, he draws a vivid picture of the heart-breaking struggle on the Isthmus, in particular that of the British West Indians who made up the majority of the canal workforce. *Hell's Gorge* is a tale of politics, finance, press manipulation, scandal and intrigue, populated by a dazzling cast of idealists and bullies, heroes and conmen. But it is also a moving tribute to the 'Forgotten Silvermen', so many of whom died to fulfil the centuries-old canal dream.

The Story of the Panama Canal, a History of Panama From the Days of Balboa to the Present Time Speedy Publishing LLC

The popular West Indian migration narrative often starts with the Windrush Generation in 1950's England, but in *Dying to Better Themselves* Olive Senior examines an earlier narrative: that of the neglected post-emancipation generation of the 1850's who were lured to Panama by the promise of lucrative work and who initiated a pattern of circular migration that would transform the islands economically, socially and politically well into the twentieth century. West Indians provided the bulk of the workforce for the construction of the Panama Railroad and the Panama Canal, and between 1850 and 1914 untold numbers sacrificed their lives, limbs and mental faculties to the Panama projects. Many West Indians remained as settlers, their descendants now citizens of Panama; many returned home with enough of a nest egg to better themselves; and others launched themselves elsewhere in the Americas as work beckoned. Senior tells the compelling story of the West Indian rite of passage of *Going to Panama* and captures the complexities behind the iconic *Colon Man*. Drawing on official records, contemporary newspapers, journals and books, songs, sayings, and literature, and the words of the participants themselves, Senior answers the questions as to who went to Panama, how and why; she describes the work they did there, the conditions under which they lived, the impact on their homelands when they returned or on the host societies when they stayed. Many books have shown the conquest of the Isthmus of Panama by land and sea exploring how the myriad individual lives touched by the construction of the railroad and the canal changed the world as well.

Silver People Anchor

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Tree Of Life University of the West Indies Press

The National Book Award-winning epic chronicle of the creation of the Panama Canal, a first-rate drama of the bold and brilliant engineering feat that was filled with both tragedy and triumph, told by master historian David McCullough. From the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of Truman, here is the national bestselling epic chronicle of the creation of the Panama Canal. In *The Path Between the Seas*, acclaimed historian David McCullough delivers a first-rate drama of the sweeping human undertaking that led to the creation of this grand enterprise. *The Path Between the Seas* tells the story of the men and women who fought against all odds to fulfill the 400-year-old dream of constructing an aquatic passageway between the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. It is a story of astonishing engineering feats, tremendous medical accomplishments, political power plays, heroic successes, and tragic failures. Applying his remarkable gift for writing lucid, lively exposition, McCullough weaves the many strands of the momentous event into a comprehensive and captivating tale. Winner of the National Book Award for history, the Francis Parkman Prize, the Samuel Eliot Morison Award, and the Cornelius Ryan Award (for the best book of the year on international affairs), *The Path Between the Seas* is a must-read for anyone interested in American history, the history of technology, international intrigue, and human drama.

The Building of the Panama Canal in Historic Photographs Simon and Schuster

The untold history of the Panama Canal--from Panama's point of view. Sleuth and scholar, Marixa Lasso has uncovered a long-overlooked story: to build their Canal, Americans displaced 40,000 Panamanians and erased entire cities, only to convince the world they had brought modernity to the tropics.--

The Panama Canal MIT Press

How does a woman, who had everything, find her way in this world when all the meaning has been removed? Mara Dalton has a life that most women only dream of. She has an amazing husband, a new baby boy and owns her own company. When her husband and son are killed tragically just days before Christmas, Mara stops living as well. For years she tries to live but finds herself only existing. She attempts to avoid reliving another year of horrible memories at Christmas by leaving her home; which has become her tomb. While traveling with not much of a plan other than avoidance, she discovers a small town in Alabama. The quaint town seems the perfect place to avoid the holiday and her pain. She finds more than she bargained for in the Lambert family; a family whose roots are buried deep in their small southern town. Mara discovers the one thing she has lost, herself. She struggles to allow herself to live again, at the same time breathing life into the town and the Lamberts. Sometimes we don't get to choose where we lay our roots, it chooses us.

The Panama Canal Children's Press(CT)

The Panama Canal was the costliest undertaking in history; its completion in 1914 marked the beginning of the "American Century." *Panama Fever* draws on contemporary accounts, bringing the experience of those who built the canal vividly to life. Politicians engaged in high-stakes diplomacy in order to influence its construction. Meanwhile, engineers and workers from around the world rushed to take advantage of high wages and the chance to be a part of history. Filled with remarkable characters, *Panama Fever* is an epic history that shows how a small, fiercely contested strip of land made the world a smaller place and launched the era of American global dominance.