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In the first comprehensive history of South Carolina published in nearly fifty years, Walter Edgar presents a sweeping narrative of a state with an illustrious, sometimes infamous, past. He describes in very human terms 475 years of recorded history in the Palmetto State, including the experiences of all South Carolinians - rich and poor; male and female; those with roots in Africa and in Europe as well as Native Americans. In an eminently readable presentation, Edgar uses letters, diaries, and other writings to let voices from the past take part in telling the state's fascinating story.

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## From Reader Review South Carolina a History for online ebook

### Jeff says

I moved to SC in April. I checked out Edgar's book from the library to get affiliated with my new state. I was reading about disasters that struck colonial Charleston on the night of the Charleston shooting. I read about the Confederate flag debate in the weeks following the Charleston shooting. Very timely.

Edgar's book is great for what it is: a textbook on SC history. Balanced discussion of historical events, plenty of primary sources, charts, maps, photos, etc.

I'm surprised by the short discussions of the Revolutionary and Civil Wars, but this is probably because Edgar covers them elsewhere.

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### Jason says

ok so i'm not really expanding my mind here with this book.

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### Linda Harkins says

Walter Edgar is South Carolina's premier historian! This book is such a comprehensive tome that I purchased it for our home library! Whether one is a new resident or a native of SC, he or she should own this history of the state!

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### Mandy says

Edgar is a thorough man. It starts out like one of Michener's novels, from primordial soup, and quickly gets into the perplexing and intriguing history of the Palmetto State.

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### Janie says

I know it's a weird to like a history book, but I'm really loving this one. Some of it is a little un-interesting, but for the most part I am learning a lot about my well-loved state. I had no idea that South Carolina was the wealthiest state in the colonies before the Revolutionary War.

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### Laura says

Very different attitude about South Carolina's involvement in the development of the American colonies and Civil War.

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### **Elisa says**

Excellent book by the foremost authority on South Carolina history, Dr. Walter Edgar - distinguished professor of history at the University of South Carolina.

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### **Josh says**

An excellent, easily digestible yet entirely thorough history of South Carolina from pre-contact right up to modern times. Edgar's writing style is wonderful, and he brings to life the rich history of a state that has been catalyst, gadfly, scapegoat, bully, whipping boy, and whip wielder over the past several hundred years. Anyone who is curious about the South Carolina of today absolutely must begin with this book. Understanding the continuum of events in South Carolina's past is key to understanding the events of its present.

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### **Tiffany says**

Excellent, Excellent!!!

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### **Lu says**

Enjoyed it. Informative. Especially the reconstruction era, civil rights and the reluctance of this state to come into the 21st century.

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### **Deyna says**

Picked up on a whim and really enjoyed reading this... although the facts are well-researched and footnoted, the book has a narrative tone that makes it easy to read.f

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### **G.c. says**

Fascinating detail on South Carolina from Colonial times to the mid-90s.

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