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"The Fatal Shore" delivers precisely what the subtitle promises: "the Epic of Australia's Founding." The reader, like the convicts of the time, is "transported" to this land. The risks taken to begin white settlement were beyond comprehension - - perhaps like a decision today to colonize another planet.

The Fatal Shore excels both at describing what happened and capturing what it was like. Every stage in the history of the Australian penal system, from the first explorations and Parliamentary debates to the collapse of "the System" amid the gold rush, is described in detail.

The Fatal Shore: The Epic of Australia's Founding by Robert Hughes is a history of the birth of Australia out of the suffering and brutality of Britain's convict transportation system. It also addresses the historical, political and sociological reasons that led to British settlement. It was first published in 1986.

His books include The Shock of the New, The Fatal Shore, Nothing if Not Critical, The Culture of Complaint, Barcelona, American Visions, A Jerk on One End, Goya, Things I Didn't Know, and Rome. He is a New York Public Library Literary Lion and was the recipient of a number of literary awards and prizes, including two Frank Jewell-Mather Awards.

Tracing the European presence in Australia from early explorations through the rise and fall of the penal colonies, and featuring 16 pages of illustrations and 3 maps, The Fatal Shore brings to life the incredible true history of a country we thought we knew.

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An extraordinary volume--even a masterpiece--about the early history of Australia that reads like the finest of novels. Hughes captures everything in this complex tableau with narrative finesse that drives the reader ever-deeper into specific facts and greater understanding. He presents compassionate understanding of the plights of colonists--both freemen and convicts--and the Aboriginal ...

Fatal Shore Lyrics: So we reached the fatal shore / Some had gained while some had suffered / Though our quest was for always more / We only took from those we conquered / Back to ground / These genes

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