Tobacco Coast: A Maritime History Of Chesapeake Bay In The Colonial Era

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Tobacco Coast: A Maritime History Of Chesapeake Bay In the Colonial Era is a comprehensive work that explores the historical development of Chesapeake Bay from a maritime perspective. It delves into the trade routes, shipping, and other aspects of the region's maritime history during the colonial era. The book is credited by some scholars with generating much of today's maritime history of Chesapeake Bay.

Middleton's work is significant for its detailed examination of the role of the sea in shaping the society and economy of the Chesapeake Bay region. It discusses various aspects such as the development of ports, shipbuilding, and the impact of maritime activities on the local communities.

The book is based on extensive research and provides insights into the cultural, economic, and social aspects of the colonial era. It is a valuable resource for historians, scholars, and anyone interested in the history of the Chesapeake Bay region.
The Chesapeake Colonies were the Colony and Dominion of Virginia, later the Commonwealth of Virginia, and Province of Maryland, later Maryland, both colonies located in British America and centered on the Chesapeake Bay. Settlements of the Chesapeake region grew slowly due to diseases such as malaria. Most of these settlers were male immigrants from England who died soon after their arrival. Due to the majority of men, eligible women did not remain single for long. The native-born population