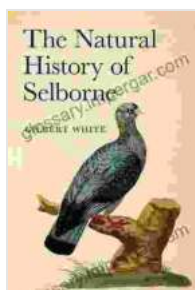


The Natural History of Selborne: A Literary and Scientific Gem

In the tranquil countryside of 18th-century Hampshire, England, the Reverend Gilbert White embarked on a remarkable journey of observation and documentation that would forever change our understanding of the natural world. His masterpiece, *The Natural History of Selborne*, first published in 1789, has become an enduring classic of English literature and a foundational text in the field of ecology.



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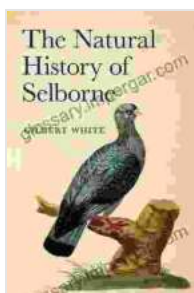
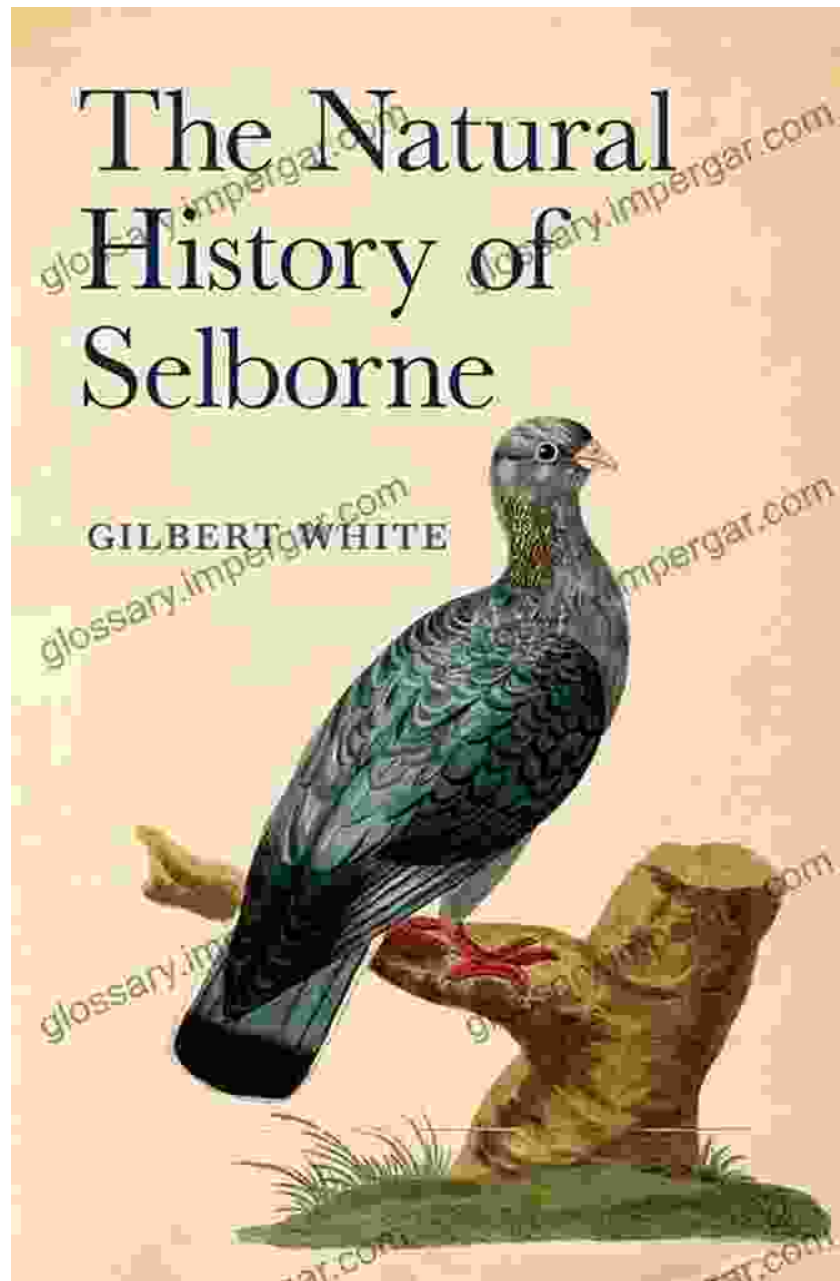
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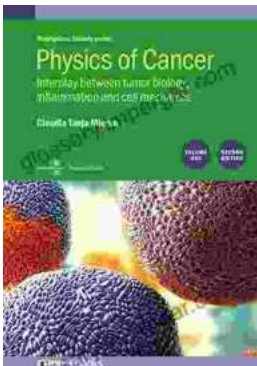
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