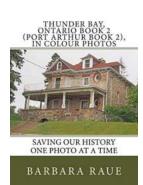
### Thunder Bay Ontario Port Arthur In Colour **Photos - Unveiling the Historic Beauty!**

Step back in time and explore the fascinating history of Thunder Bay in Ontario, Canada. In this collection of stunning colour photos, we take you on a journey through the enchanting Port Arthur area, showcasing its rich heritage and architectural marvels.

#### An to Thunder Bay and Port Arthur

Located on the shores of Lake Superior, Thunder Bay is a city that boasts abundant natural beauty and a captivating past. One of its historic districts, Port Arthur, played a significant role in shaping the region's identity.

Nestled at the head of the Great Lakes, Port Arthur was once a bustling hub of industry and trade. Founded in 1870, it quickly became an important transportation center due to its strategic location along major waterways. As a result, the area flourished, attracting immigrants from various corners of the world.



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#### **Unveiling the Beauty through Captivating Colour Photos**

Thanks to the advancements in technology, we can now visualize the past with astounding clarity. In this photo gallery, we bring Port Arthur's captivating history to life through vibrant, high-resolution colour images.

Explore the streets lined with stunning Victorian homes, adorned with intricate architectural details. The vibrant colours of these houses, once hidden beneath layers of time, now shine brightly, transporting us to a bygone era.

Take a stroll along the waterfront, where majestic ships once docked, ready to embark on their transcontinental journeys. The vividness of the blue water against the backdrop of historic warehouses is a sight to behold.

#### The Architectural Wonders of Port Arthur

Port Arthur showcases an array of architectural styles, each reflecting a different period in history. From the elaborate Gothic Revival structures to the elegant Classical Revival designs, these buildings are a testament to the skill and craftsmanship of yesteryears.

Admire the grandeur of the Parliament Building, standing tall as a symbol of power and governance. Its meticulously detailed facade and timeless beauty draw visitors from near and far.

Continue your journey to the revitalized Water Street district, where vibrant storefronts and charming cafes now occupy historic buildings. The juxtaposition of old and new adds an eclectic charm, creating a unique atmosphere for locals and tourists alike.

#### **Preserving the Past for Future Generations**

As we marvel at the rich heritage captured in these colour photos, it is crucial to acknowledge the importance of preservation. The efforts of dedicated individuals and organizations have ensured that these architectural gems can be admired and appreciated for generations to come.

By supporting initiatives aimed at heritage conservation, we can contribute to the preservation of our cultural identity. Through these photos, we inspire others to delve into history, fostering a deeper appreciation for the beauty and history that surround us.

Thunder Bay, with its stunning Port Arthur district, offers a captivating glimpse into the past. Through these mesmerizing colour photos, we can explore the historic beauty of this remarkable city.

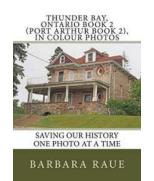
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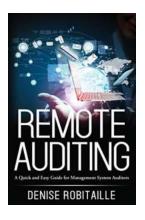
The City of Thunder Bay has three histories. The twin cities of Fort William and Port Arthur were amalgamated in 1970. Thunder Bay's past is linked with the parallel but separate pasts of the two cities. Port Arthur was a city in Northern Ontario which amalgamated with Fort William and the townships of Neebing and McIntyre to form the city of Thunder Bay in January 1970. European settlement at Thunder Bay began with two French fur trading posts (1683, 1717) which were subsequently abandoned. In 1803, the Montreal-based North West Company established Fort William as its mid-continent post. The fort thrived until 1821 when the North West Company merged with the Hudson's Bay Company and Fort William was no longer needed. By the 1850s, the Province of Canada began to take an interest in its western extremity. Discovery of copper in Michigan prompted a Canadian national demand for mining locations on the Canadian shores of Lake Superior. Another settlement developed a few miles to the north of Fort William with it eventually being called Port Arthur. With Confederation in 1867, Simon James Dawson was employed to construct a road and route from Thunder Bay on Lake Superior to the Red River Colony. The depot on the lake, where supplies were landed and stored acquired its first name in May 1870. It was named Prince Arthur's Landing in honour of Prince Arthur, son of Queen Victoria who was serving with his regiment in Montreal. The arrival of the CPR in

1875 sparked a long rivalry between the towns, which did not end until the amalgamation of 1970. Until the 1880s, Port Arthur was a much larger and dynamic community. The CPR, in collaboration with the Hudson's Bay Company, preferred east Fort William, located on the lower Kaministiquia River where the fur trade posts were. Prospering from the CPR railway construction boom of 1882–1885, Port Arthur was incorporated as a town in March 1884, one year after acquiring its new name. The CPR erected Thunder Bay's and western Canada's first terminal grain elevator on the bay in 1883. The end of CPR construction along the north shore of Lake Superior and the CPR's decision to centralize its operations along the lower Kaministiquia River brought an end to Port Arthur's prosperity. Silver mining had been the mainstay of the economy for most of the 1870s. The silver mining boom of the 1880s came to an end with the passage by the U.S. Congress of the McKinley Tariff in October 1890. The town was in dire economic straits until 1897–1899 when the entrepreneurs William Mackenzie and Donald Mann acquired the Ontario and Rainy River Railway and the Port Arthur, Duluth and Western Railway, and chose Port Arthur as the Lake Superior headquarters for the Canadian Northern Railway. Port Arthur thrived as a transshipment and grain handling port for the CNR after the railway line was opened to Winnipeg in December 1901.



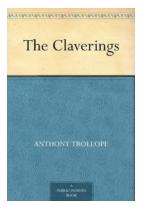
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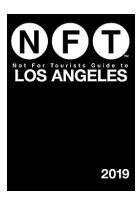
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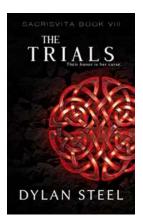
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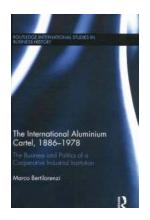
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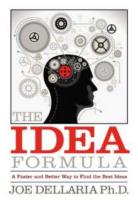
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