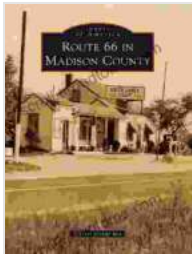


# Unveiling the Hidden Gems of Route 66 in Madison County: A Visual Odyssey



## Route 66 in Madison County (Images of America)

by Cheryl Eichar Jett

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Prepare to be captivated by the allure of Route 66, an iconic American highway that has captured the imagination of generations. In the heart of Madison County, Illinois, this legendary road unravels a tapestry of history, nostalgia, and timeless beauty. Now, through the evocative lens of "Route 66 in Madison County: Images of America," we embark on a captivating journey to rediscover this beloved stretch of asphalt.

### A Visual Feast of Historic Treasures

The book, meticulously compiled by local historian and author Joel Turnbough, presents a captivating collection of over 200 vintage photographs that transport readers back to the golden age of Route 66. These images, carefully curated from archives and private collections, showcase the iconic landmarks, bustling towns, and roadside attractions that have defined this legendary highway.

Through these evocative images, we witness the transformation of Madison County as Route 66 emerged as a lifeline connecting communities and shaping the county's destiny. From the vibrant city of Alton, with its towering limestone bluffs, to the quaint town of Edwardsville, with its charming historic courthouse, each photograph tells a unique story of the people and places that have shaped this region.

## **Exploring the Heart of American Culture**

Beyond its historical significance, Route 66 in Madison County offers a glimpse into the very heart of American culture. The book delves into the roadside attractions that have become synonymous with the highway, such as the iconic Bunyon Statue, the World's Largest Catsup Bottle, and the quirky Bottleworks antique mall.

These images capture the essence of Americana, showcasing the ingenuity, humor, and nostalgia that have made Route 66 a beloved destination for travelers from far and wide. Whether you're a seasoned road-tripper or simply curious about the history and culture of this legendary highway, "Route 66 in Madison County: Images of America" offers a captivating and immersive experience.

## **A Guide to Hidden Gems and Local Lore**

In addition to its stunning visual journey, the book serves as an invaluable guide to the hidden gems and local lore of Madison County. Turnbough's informative captions provide fascinating insights into the history behind each photograph, sharing stories of the people who lived, worked, and traveled along this iconic highway.

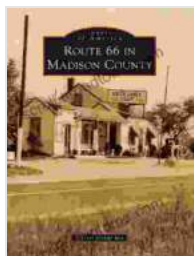
The book also includes a helpful map of Route 66 in Madison County, making it easy for readers to plan their own road trip and discover the treasures that await them along the way. Whether you're a local resident or a visitor eager to explore the rich history of the region, this book will inspire you to uncover the hidden stories and timeless charm of Route 66.

## Preserving a Legacy for Future Generations

"Route 66 in Madison County: Images of America" is more than just a collection of photographs; it is a testament to the enduring legacy of this legendary highway. By preserving these historic images, we ensure that future generations can appreciate the rich history and cultural significance of Route 66.

This book is a valuable addition to the Images of America series, which has showcased the history and heritage of countless communities across the United States. By capturing the essence of Route 66 in Madison County, "Images of America" helps to preserve the memory of this iconic road and inspire future generations to explore its timeless allure.

Free Download your copy of "Route 66 in Madison County: Images of America" today and embark on an unforgettable journey through history, nostalgia, and the enduring spirit of the American road.



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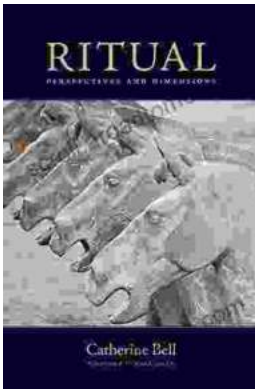
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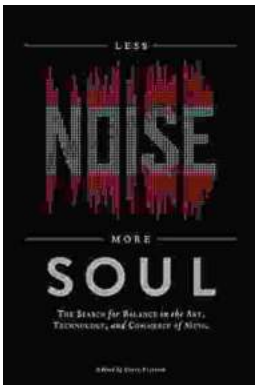
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