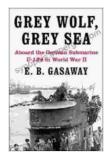
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In 1921, a young Inupiat Eskimo woman named Ada Blackjack was stranded on an island in the Arctic for over two years. She was the sole survivor of a shipwreck that had claimed the lives of her husband and her two children.

Ada was alone and afraid, but she was determined to survive. She hunted for food, built a shelter, and made clothes from the skins of animals. She also kept a journal, in which she recorded her thoughts and experiences.

Ada's story is one of incredible survival and resilience. She faced many challenges during her time on the island, but she never gave up hope. She is an inspiration to us all, and her story is a reminder that anything is possible if we set our minds to it.

### The Shipwreck

Ada Blackjack was born in 1898 on St. Lawrence Island, Alaska. She was the daughter of an Inupiat Eskimo father and a Scottish mother. Ada grew up in a traditional Inupiat community, and she learned the skills that she would need to survive in the Arctic.

In 1921, Ada married a man named George Rexford. The couple had two children, a boy and a girl. In the fall of 1921, Ada and her family joined a group of other Inupiat families who were traveling to Herschel Island, Canada, for the winter.

The group set out in three boats, but one of the boats, the Nanuk, was caught in a storm and capsized. Ada, her husband, and her two children were thrown into the icy water. Ada's husband and children were drowned, but Ada managed to swim to shore.

#### Stranded on the Island

Ada washed ashore on an uninhabited island in the Arctic. She was alone and afraid, but she was determined to survive. She found a place to shelter, and she began to hunt for food.

Ada hunted seals, walruses, and polar bears. She also ate berries and roots. She made clothes from the skins of animals, and she built a boat from driftwood.

Ada kept a journal during her time on the island. In her journal, she recorded her thoughts and experiences. She wrote about the challenges she faced, and she expressed her hope that she would be rescued.

#### The Rescue

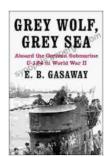
In August 1923, Ada was finally rescued by a group of fur trappers. She had been stranded on the island for over two years. Ada was weak and emaciated, but she was alive.

Ada was taken to Herschel Island, where she was reunited with her family. She was hailed as a hero, and her story was told around the world.

### **Ada's Legacy**

Ada Blackjack's story is a story of survival and resilience. She faced many challenges during her time on the island, but she never gave up hope. She is an inspiration to us all, and her story is a reminder that anything is possible if we set our minds to it.

Ada Blackjack died in 1983. She was 85 years old. She is buried in Nome, Alaska. Her grave is marked by a simple headstone that reads, "Ada Blackjack, Survivor."



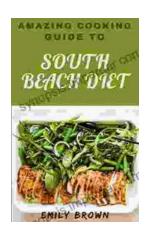
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