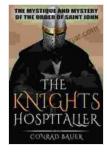
# The Mystique and Mystery of the Order of Saint John: A Historical Journey of the Knights

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### The Knights of Rhodes and Malta

After the fall of the Latin Kingdom in the late 13th century, the Knights Hospitaller withdrew to the island of Rhodes. For over two centuries, they ruled Rhodes as a sovereign state, engaging in naval warfare against the Ottoman Empire and other Muslim powers.

In 1522, the Ottomans conquered Rhodes, forcing the knights to seek a new home. In 1530, Emperor Charles V of the Holy Roman Empire granted them the island of Malta. For the next 268 years, the Knights Hospitaller ruled Malta as a monastic republic, becoming one of the most powerful and wealthiest naval powers in Europe.

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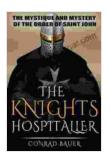
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