

Chapter 1 : The North and South Trilogy: North and South / Love and War / Heaven and Hell by John Jakes

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**FREE* shipping on qualifying offers. The saga tells the story of the enduring friendship between Orry Main of South Carolina and George Hazard of Pennsylvania.*

The Union faced secessionists in eleven Southern states grouped together as the Confederate States of America, the Union won the war, which remains the bloodiest in U. Among the 34 U. The Confederacy grew to eleven states, it claimed two more states, the Indian Territory, and the southern portions of the western territories of Arizona. The Confederacy was never recognized by the United States government nor by any foreign country. The states that remained loyal, including border states where slavery was legal, were known as the Union or the North, the war ended with the surrender of all the Confederate armies and the dissolution of the Confederate government in the spring of 1865. The war had its origin in the issue of slavery. The Confederacy collapsed and 4 million slaves were freed, but before his inauguration, seven slave states with cotton-based economies formed the Confederacy. Eight remaining slave states continued to reject calls for secession, outgoing Democratic President James Buchanan and the incoming Republicans rejected secession as illegal. Lincoln's March 4, inaugural address declared that his administration would not initiate a civil war, speaking directly to the Southern States, he reaffirmed, I have no purpose, directly or indirectly to interfere with the institution of slavery in the United States where it exists. I believe I have no right to do so, and I have no inclination to do so. After Confederate forces seized numerous federal forts within territory claimed by the Confederacy, efforts at compromise failed, the Confederates assumed that European countries were so dependent on King Cotton that they would intervene, but none did, and none recognized the new Confederate States of America. Hostilities began on April 12, when Confederate forces fired upon Fort Sumter, while in the Western Theater the Union made significant permanent gains, in the Eastern Theater, the battle was inconclusive in 1862. The autumn Confederate campaigns into Maryland and Kentucky failed, dissuading British intervention, Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation, which made ending slavery a war goal. To the west, by summer the Union destroyed the Confederate river navy, then much of their western armies, the Union siege of Vicksburg split the Confederacy in two at the Mississippi River. In 1863, Robert E. Grant's command of all Union armies in 1864. The state is bordered to the north by North Carolina, to the south and west by Georgia across the Savannah River, South Carolina became the eighth state to ratify the U. Constitution, doing so on May 23, South Carolina became the first state to vote to secede from the Union on December 20, 1860, after the American Civil War, it was readmitted into the United States on June 25, 1876, South Carolina is the 40th most extensive and the 23rd most populous U. The capital and largest city is Columbia with a population of 800,000, South Carolina is named in honor of King Charles I of England, under whose reign the English colony was first formed, with Carolus being Latin for Charles. There is evidence of activity in the area about 8000 years ago. These tribes were village-dwellers, relying on agriculture as their food source. The Cherokee lived in wattle and daub houses made with wood and clay, about a dozen separate small tribes summered on the coast harvesting oysters and fish, and cultivating corn, peas and beans. Travelling inland as much as 50 miles mostly by canoe, they wintered on the plain, hunting deer and gathering nuts. The names of these survive in place names like Edisto Island, Kiawah Island. The Spanish were the first Europeans in the area, in 1521, founding San Miguel de Gualdape, established with settlers, it was abandoned within a year by survivors. In 1565 French settlers established a settlement at what is now the Charlesfort-Santa Elena archaeological site on Parris Island, three years later the Spanish built a fort on the same site, but withdrew following hostilities with the English navy. In 1733, King Charles I of England established the Province of Carolina an area covering what is now South and North Carolina, Georgia, in the 1730s, English planters from the Barbados established themselves near what is now Charleston. Settlers built rice plantations in the South Carolina Lowcountry, east of the Atlantic Seaboard fall line, settlers came from all over Europe. Plantation labor was done by African slaves who formed the majority of the population by 1740, another cash crop was the Indigo plant, a plant source of blue dye, developed by Eliza Lucas. Colonists overthrew the rule, seeing more direct representation 3. The Appalachian Mountains run

through its middle, Pennsylvania is the 33rd largest, the 5th most populous, and the 9th most densely populated of the 50 United States. The states five most populous cities are Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Allentown, Erie, the state capital, and its ninth-largest city, is Harrisburg. Pennsylvania has miles of shoreline along Lake Erie and the Delaware Estuary. The state is one of the 13 original founding states of the United States, it came into being in as a result of a land grant to William Penn. Part of Pennsylvania, together with the present State of Delaware, had earlier been organized as the Colony of New Sweden and it was the second state to ratify the United States Constitution, on December 12, Independence Hall, where the United States Declaration of Independence and United States Constitution were drafted, is located in the states largest city of Philadelphia, during the American Civil War, the Battle of Gettysburg, was fought in the south central region of the state. Valley Forge near Philadelphia was General Washingtons headquarters during the winter of 1777 Pennsylvania is miles north to south and miles east to west, of a total 46, square miles,44, square miles are land, square miles are inland waters, and square miles are waters in Lake Erie. It is the 33rd largest state in the United States, Pennsylvania has 51 miles of coastline along Lake Erie and 57 miles of shoreline along the Delaware Estuary. Cities include Philadelphia, Reading, Lebanon and Lancaster in the southeast, Pittsburgh in the southwest, the tri-cities of Allentown, Bethlehem, the northeast includes the former anthracite coal mining communities of Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, Pittston City, and Hazleton. Straddling two major zones, the majority of the state, with the exception of the corner, has a humid continental climate. The largest city, Philadelphia, has characteristics of the humid subtropical climate that covers much of Delaware. Moving toward the interior of the state, the winter climate becomes colder, the number of cloudy days increase. Western areas of the state, particularly locations near Lake Erie, can receive over inches of snowfall annually, the state may be subject to severe weather from spring through summer into fall. Tornadoes occur annually in the state, sometimes in large numbers, the Tuscarora Nation took up temporary residence in the central portion of Pennsylvania ca. Both the Dutch and the English claimed both sides of the Delaware River as part of their lands in America 4. It is one of the four U. The majority of the campus Norman-style buildings are constructed from gray, the campus is a popular tourist destination complete with a large visitor center and the oldest museum in the United States Army. Other nomination sources include the President and Vice President of the United States, students are officers-in-training and are referred to as cadets or collectively as the United States Corps of Cadets. Tuition for cadets is fully funded by the Army in exchange for an active duty service obligation upon graduation, approximately 1, cadets enter the Academy each July, with about 1, cadets graduating. Cadets are required to adhere to the Cadet Honor Code, which states that a cadet will not lie, cheat, steal, the academy bases a cadets leadership experience as a development of all three pillars of performance, academics, physical, and military. Most graduates are commissioned as lieutenants in the Army. Foreign cadets are commissioned into the armies of their home countries, since , cadets have also been eligible to cross-commission, or request a commission in one of the other armed services, provided that they meet that services eligibility standards. Every year, a small number of cadets do this. The academys traditions have influenced other institutions because of its age and it was the first American college to have an accredited civil-engineering program and the first to have class rings, and its technical curriculum was a model for later engineering schools. West Points student body has a rank structure and lexicon. All cadets reside on campus and dine together en masse on weekdays for breakfast, the academy fields fifteen mens and nine womens National Collegiate Athletic Association sports teams. Cadets compete in one sport every fall, winter, and spring season at the intramural, club and its football team was a national power in the early and midth century, winning three national championships. While the fortifications at West Point were known as Fort Arnold during the war, as commander, Benedict Arnold committed his act of treason, after Arnold betrayed the patriot cause, the Army changed the name of the fortifications at West Point, New York, to Fort Clinton. With the peace after the American Revolutionary War, various ordnance, Cadets underwent training in artillery and engineering studies at the garrison since In , shortly after his inauguration as president, Thomas Jefferson directed that plans be set in motion to establish at West Point the United States Military Academy and he selected Jonathan Williams to serve as its first superintendent 5. They consist of the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, from the time of its inception, the military played a decisive role in the history of the United States. A sense of unity

and identity was forged as a result of victory in the First Barbary War. Even so, the Founders were suspicious of a permanent military force and it played an important role in the American Civil War, where leading generals on both sides were picked from members of the United States military. Not until the outbreak of World War II did a standing army become officially established. It draws its personnel from a pool of paid volunteers. For the period 1794-1914, the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute found that the United States was the world's largest exporter of major arms, the United States was also the world's eighth largest importer of major weapons for the same period. The history of the U. Rising tensions at various times with Britain and France and the ensuing Quasi-War and War of 1812 quickened the development of the U. Navy, the reserve branches formed a military strategic reserve during the Cold War, to be called into service in case of war. Time magazine's Mark Thompson has suggested that with the War on Terror, Command over the armed forces is established in the United States Constitution. The sole power of command is vested in the President by Article II as Commander-in-Chief, the Constitution also allows for the creation of executive Departments headed by principal officers whose opinion the President can require. This allowance in the Constitution formed the basis for creation of the Department of Defense in 1947 by the National Security Act, the Defense Department is headed by the Secretary of Defense, who is a civilian and member of the Cabinet. The Defense Secretary is second in the chain of command, just below the President. Together, the President and the Secretary of Defense comprise the National Command Authority, to coordinate military strategy with political affairs, the President has a National Security Council headed by the National Security Advisor. The collective body has only power to advise the President.

6. After defeating the Mexican army at Churubusco, the U. General Scott ordered an attack on the convent. In addition to the walls of the convent, the defenses included a series of incomplete trenches the Mexicans had begun digging prior to the attack. Some elements of the Tlapa and Lagos Battalions arrived as reinforcements, three cannons were placed on the right, two in the center, and the remaining two on the left. Independencia was assigned to defend the walls, the right flank leading to the bridge, the unfortified south and north sides. The Bravos and the San Patricios were stationed on the left, in support along the Rio Churubusco was the Perez Brigade, 200 men Worth's division took on the tete-de-pont, while Twiggs defended the convent. Riflemen were able to force Taylor's battery to withdraw, the attack by Franklin Pierce and James Shields, crossing the river on the Coyoacan-Mixcoac road in an attempt to cut off the Mexican retreat, was also stopped. However, Worth turned the Mexican left and crossed the river, Capt. Duncan then set up a battery to attack the convent. Captain James Milton Smith finally stopped the fighting by putting up a white handkerchief, the Americans captured prisoners and 3 pieces of artillery at the tete de pont. They captured 100 prisoners, including 3 generals and the San Patricios leader Lt. Francisco Rosenda Moreno and they captured another 100 prisoners further up the road. Scott did not continue the pursuit into Mexico City. I halted our victorious corps at the gates of the city, a brigade of volunteers from New York was billeted to the convent, remaining there until September 7. Parts of the battle were portrayed in the mini-series North and South, Saint Patrick's Battalion Balbontin, Manuel Recuerdos de la invasion norte-americana, Louis is an independent city and major U. Prior to European settlement, the area was a regional center of Native American Mississippian culture. The city of St. Louis, the United States acquired the territory as part of the Louisiana Purchase, during the 19th century, St. Louis developed as a major port on the Mississippi River. In the Census, St.

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The North and South Trilogy comprises the books "North and South", "Love and War" and "Heaven and Hell". It is in its entirety, in my opinion, perhaps the finest fictionalised account of the American Civil War ever written.

Crew[edit] North and South was directed by Richard T. Edwards, and Kathleen A. It was produced by David L. Conti returned as composer, with Kevin Connor directing, Jacques R. Marquette as cinematographer, and a script by Heyes and Richard Fielder. Plot[edit] Book I: On his way to the train station, he rescues and falls in love with the beautiful French - Creole southern belle from New Orleans, Madeline Fabray. They quickly become close friends. They also meet the amoral egomaniac Elkanah Bent, a fellow cadet from Georgia. Bent is a handsome, smooth-talking man who hides his evil, twisted nature beneath his charm and good looks. He takes an instant dislike to Orry and George and uses his status as their drillmaster to constantly harass them. Orry constantly writes letters to Madeline, although it seems that she has not been responding to him. After two years of training, the men return home for a summer leave. While at home, Orry is devastated to learn that Madeline is getting married to his cruel neighbor, plantation owner Justin LaMotte. Orry stops Jones from using a bullwhip to "punish" one of the slaves, sparking a tense relationship between the two. That night, Justin hits and rapes Madeline, leaving her broken. Episode 2 autumn - spring - Bent continues his cruelty towards George, Orry, and their friends. The men, with some help from other cadets, arrange for Bent to be caught with a prostitute and he is forced to leave the Academy. When Bent learns that Orry and George were involved, he vows revenge. George and Orry graduate from West Point. They leave to fight in the Mexican War. During the Battle of Churubusco , Bent, who has blackmailed his father Bent is an illegitimate son of a US senator in order to obtain a superior rank, orders George and Orry to lead a suicidal charge against the Mexican forces. Both men survive, but Orry is shot in his left leg and permanently crippled. They plan to marry. Orry drowns his sorrows in alcoholism. With the Mexican War over, George quits the army, finds Bent, and beats him, threatening to kill him if he ever tries to harm him or Orry again. Traumatized by his injuries, Orry temporarily becomes a recluse. Episode 3 spring - summer George gets married to Constance and Orry is his best man. Orry and Madeline become secret lovers. All authority over Hazard Iron is handed to George, greatly displeasing Stanley and his wife, Isabel. His first act is to fire the brutal Salem Jones as overseer. The Mains visit the Hazards in Pennsylvania. Virgilia is furious that her family has allowed slave owners into their house and tries to humiliate them, angering the rest of her family. Billy and Charles graduate from West Point, and both families attend the graduation. Ashton gets pregnant and begs Madeline for help, who takes her to a local midwife to perform a secret abortion. When Madeline lies to Justin about where she was when she was away helping Ashton, he beats Madeline, locks her in a spare bedroom to starve, and kills Maum Sally for trying to help Madeline escape. Episode 5 spring - November - Madeline is drugged by Justin into becoming robotic and submissive and disappears from society, even forgetting her love for Orry. Elkanah Bent befriends James Huntoon, and subtly interrogates him at a brothel about the people in his wedding picture, including Orry, Ashton, and Madeline. Bent recognizes the resemblance between Madeline and the painting of a former popular prostitute that worked there. Orry does not want Brett to marry Billy because of the growing tensions between the North and South. Virgilia and Grady both join abolitionist leader John Brown. Virgilia escapes, but is more bitter than ever towards Southerners. Abraham Lincoln is elected President; several Southern states make plans to secede from the U. George visits Orry and the two apologize to each other after years of estrangement. Orry gives Brett his blessing to marry Billy. South Carolina secedes from the Union, infuriating Orry. Ashton schemes to have Billy killed, partly out of jealousy, and partly because Billy is now a "Yankee" enemy in the eyes of the South. She fails, however, due to a drugged Madeline, who overhears Justin and Forbes discussing it. Her memories come back and she runs to inform Orry after fending off Justin. Orry is enraged at Ashton and disowns her, with her vowing revenge. Justin comes looking for Madeline, as she has taken refuge with Orry at Mont Royal, but is forced to leave with a warning. Now off the drugs and with her memories returned, Madeline plans to divorce Justin and marry Orry. Orry visits the Hazard mansion near Philadelphia to give George his part of their cotton mill money. When he

arrives, Orry discovers that George and Constance now have a baby girl named Hope. George and Orry face off against the mob with shotguns and Orry boards a train to return to South Carolina. The two friends part, unsure if they will ever see each other again. The Civil War begins. Orry, despite having been against secession, becomes a general and military aide to Confederate President Jefferson Davis in the Confederate capital of Richmond. Meanwhile, George and Billy are in Washington, D. Billy joins the U. Sharpshooters regiment, while George becomes a military aide to U. Charles, a Confederate cavalry officer, meets Augusta Barclay, a Virginia belle who smuggles medicine for the southern soldiers. Virgilia wants to work as a nurse at a Washington, D. Navy blockade of the South. The First Battle of Bull Run takes place with George and Constance getting caught up in the panicked aftermath as they reluctantly watch from a distance. The South is the winner. Along the way, Semiramis is captured by Union soldiers, but rescued by Brett. Orry and Madeline finally get married. Bent and Ashton vow revenge. His greedy wife Isabel talks him into profiteering from the war by using cheap, low-grade iron to make cannons for the U. Army; the cannons often explode and kill Northern soldiers. Episode 3 September 17, - spring - At the bloody battle of Antietam , Charles and Billy nearly kill each other, but each allows the other to escape. Most of the slaves leave the Main plantation in South Carolina, but a few remain. Meanwhile, Bent " who has become increasingly psychotic and unstable " begins planning to assassinate Confederate President Jefferson Davis and become the dictator of the South. Army and makes his way to South Carolina, where he and Brett spend some time together. Episode 4 May - late autumn - When Billy returns to his regiment, his commanding officer threatens to court-martial and execute him if he ever leaves again. Orry is shot and taken to the hospital where Virgilia works; despite her hatred of Southerners, she helps him recover and looks the other way, allowing him to escape. Later, Virgilia is accused of allowing a wounded Southern soldier to die and is fired from the hospital. In a fit of rage, Virgilia pushes the elderly chief nurse Mrs. Neal, causing her to lose her balance and tumble to the floor. Neal to be dead, Virgilia panics and flees the hospital. Desperate for money and a hiding place, she goes to Congressman Greene for help. He gives her money and protection in exchange for sex. Charles saves Augusta from being raped by Northern soldiers at her farm in Virginia, and the two become lovers. Episode 5 December - February - The war has turned against the South. Madeline helps starving people in Charleston. Bent tries to kill Madeline in Charleston, but she is rescued by her gambler friend Rafe, who saves Madeline but is fatally shot by Bent. Bent enlists James Huntoon for help in his plot to overthrow the Confederate government. The Confederate President orders Orry to squash the planned revolution. Bent is apparently killed when the ammunition he was hiding in a barn explodes. Ashton confesses her affair to James, conspiring to have Billy killed, her past abortion, and tells Orry that she helped Bent drive Madeline away. Orry disowns Ashton and tells Huntoon that he never wants to see his sister again. Episode 6 March - April - The fighting ends with a Northern victory. Orry and George lead troops against each other in the last major battle at Petersburg ; Orry is wounded. Confederate General Robert E. Lee surrenders his army to U. Army General Ulysses Grant. Congressman Greene ends his affair with Virgilia, which he thinks detrimental to his political career. She and George have a tearful farewell before her execution.

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In North and South, the first volume of John Jakes's acclaimed and sweeping saga, a friendship is threatened by the divisions of the Civil War. In the years leading up to the Civil War, one enduring friendship embodies the tensions of a nation.

Reviews 30 The North and South Trilogy: In the years leading up to the Civil War, one enduring friendship embodies the tensions of a nation. Together they fight in the Mexican-American War, but their closeness is tested as their regional politics diverge. As the first rounds are fired at Fort Sumter, Orry and George find themselves on different sides of the coming struggle. With the Confederate and Union armies furiously fighting, the once-steadfast bond between the Main and Hazard families continues to be tested. From opposite sides of the conflict, they face heartache and triumph on the frontlines as they fight for the future of the nation and their loved ones. With his impeccable research and unflinching devotion to the historical record, John Jakes offers his most enthralling and enduring tale yet. In Heaven and Hell, the battle between the Mains and Hazards and Confederate and Union armies comes to a brilliant end. The last days of the Civil War bring no peace for the Main and Hazard families. I really enjoyed this one - I finished it Then I bought a couple of other books and will read at least one before going on to "Love and War" Started "Love and War" after finishing "the gallio affair". I am really starting to get very interested in the Hazard and Main families. I am very much looking forward to reading what happens next. I finished this one The detail that goes into the story shows how very destructive the Civil War was. Not only to the family involved, but to the land itself and everything around it. I will read another book, then come back and the finish trilogy. Looking forward to story. What a great trilogy!! I am very glad to have spent the money for the set. I might see about buying more books from this writer. I just with that more of his books came in sets like this one. To anyone that enjoys historal fiction this one is for you. This is one of the most detailed and graphic trilogies that I have ever read. I land on reading his other books. John Jakes is a very talented writer. He brings his characters to life and makes them believable. This saga was so very insightful into both sides of the Civil War that you could sympathize and understand what each side felt and their justification for their way of life. The Mains were a genteel, wealthy family of the South and 5. The Mains were a genteel, wealthy family of the South and the Hazards were very successful in their Pennsylvania steel company. Even through the war between the states, when they were on opposing sides, they remained true to their friendship. This three-book saga takes you through the years leading up to the war and brings you through the devastation and aftermath of the war. This is definitely worth investing the time to read. Wishing You Happy Reading!! Took me seven weeks to read all three books straight through Exactly the kind of historical fiction I like- it uses the fictional characters to paint a thorough and compelling picture of a historical era I know about mostly from the classroom and a few movies i. Gone with the Wind. Jakes uses the two families and the people that they meet to really detail the lives of people as diverse as the "southern belle gone wrong," the "westward explorer 4. I thoroughly recommend the trilogy. On the positive side, Jakes has very well developed characters. The interaction between them is believable. And his stories are interesting. My problem is how much I felt like I was reading a soap opera. For me, the story dragged with too much detail and too many characters. After several pages, the story had made little progress. I am curious where the story goes, but I may have to pick up the mini-series for satisfaction. He gives the reader a journey into the life and times of the subject. I love his series books that cover generations and time. This series gives the reader insight into the difficulty and the relationship between the North and South before, during and after the Civil War. This is a great read. Tho it is historical fiction, Mr. Jakes weaves fact through out the books. Jakes for your talent and skill as a story teller. The trilogy made the civil war so fresh in your mind, as though you were there. It really made it real for you. I have some of his other books and need to put them in order so I read them in sequence, even though they can stand alone. One day, books like this will be quaint. Until then, we continue to struggle.

Chapter 4 : The North and South Trilogy (North and South) by John Jakes

Book #2 of the North and south Trilogy: North and South; Love and War; and Heaven and Hell "From America's master storyteller and writer of historical fiction comes the continuing saga of two families - Hazards and the Mains.

With the Confederate and Union armies furiously fighting, the once-steadfast bond between the Main and Hazard families continues to be tested. From opposite sides of the conflict, they face heartache and triumph on the frontlines as they fight for the future of the nation and their loved ones. With his impeccable research and unfailing devotion to the historical record, John Jakes offers his most enthralling and enduring tale yet. Morgan on Apr 13, Love and War is an excellent book. It picks up where North and South left off. This book, while rather long, is fantastic. It definitely is thought provoking. Jakes writes from the male standpoint and also the female standpoint. I also thought he conveyed the thoughts and dreams of the slaves in a realistic way. The ever-evil Bent pops up in the story from time to time wreaking havoc everywhere he goes. While Gone with the Wind one of my all time favorite books is a great book in itself it romanticizes the Civil War. Love and War in absolutely no way romanticizes the events of the war. This is a very realistic book with very believable characters. One can almost believe these two families did exist. Any fan of North and South will enjoy Love and War. It is a rather long story but well worth the time reading it. Simply outstanding By Elizabeth Clare on Jan 30, Love and War is just as exciting as North and South, with romance, lust, and amazing action sequences straight out of an old-time movie serial. But compared to North and South, this novel is fresher, more surprising, and much, much darker. The book is massive--over pages--and includes at least 10 major storylines, almost all of which are skillfully rendered and emotionally compelling. George and Orry are now men in their maturity, grappling with the viciousness and folly of politics in both Richmond and Washington. Other storylines take you inside the U. Hunley submarine, a Confederate prison, the Union nursing corps, a schoolhouse for black orphans, and even an assassination plot against the president--Jefferson Davis, that is. By ferreting out lesser-known episodes of the war and then peopling them with passionate and realistic characters, Jakes brings the Civil War to life in remarkable degree. The aspect of the book that struck me the most was how unpopular the war was on both sides of the Mason-Dixon line. There is no hint here of the idealism of Glory or Gone with the Wind. Instead, Jakes writes of a cold, hard, brutal slog in the field, terrific blunders, greedy profiteers, and peace-at-any-pricers wearing both blue and gray. To the participants in the war, there was no hint that anyone would ever regard it as anything other than a disaster that should have been avoided. The book, like the war itself, gets off to a slow start, and a couple of the storylines are clinkers. And the one major African-American storyline is awkwardly drawn, with a saintly couple squaring off against a slathering villain straight out of Birth of a Nation. Recommended for "North and South" fans! The book flings the reader into the Civil War, as seen from various vantage-points: Charles, in the Southern calvary; Billy, a Northern engineer; Orry and George, working desk jobs in their respective capitals; Madeline, Brett, and Constance, as "war widows. This novel deals with the Civil War from its outset to the conclusion. This is an engaging and entertaining story. Jakes does a good job of showing the reader that the Civil War was probably inevitable given the intractable differences between the North and South, and the stubbornness on both sides of the Mason-Dixon line. This is not a perfect novel. Despite the overall taut storyline and good prose, Jakes has a tendency to produce exaggerated characters who are almost caricatures of the way people really behave. Well, it is after all a novel. Overall, this is the second best novel in the series; perhaps not as good as "North and South" but better than "Heaven and Hell" which is the third installment. This novel is well worth reading, and provides an entertaining and insightful look at the Civil War and how it affected ordinary people and the nation as a whole. It is John Jakes at his finest. Johnson on Nov 09, Jakes is a wonderful author. The story line has so many "true" historic references woven with love stories and family issues. It triggers all kinds of emotions -- laughter, tears, anger, sorrow. It carries right over from North and South. I have the feeling that I actually know the characters and am looking forward to Volume 3, Heaven and Hell. His books are easy reading, hard to put down. Great book By Laura Hughes on Jan 13, This book was so good I had to check out the follow up books from the library. These stories center on 2 young men that attend West

Point. One is from a wealthy family on a large plantation in the south. They have several slaves. The other man is from a wealthy family in the midwest. The book goes through their life experiences at Westpoint and the other men they meet that appear later in the books. Both men and their families become good friends and vacation together during the summer at a house on the northeast coast. As tension builds for the slave issues it becomes more difficult for these families to visit each other. They are mistreated by the locals as they travel to visit each other. You get to know the characters i. The families are not too radical and try to maintain a relationship even though they are on opposite sides of the war. You learn about the many issues going on during this time period. I never knew that the fermenting of the civil war problems started at least 20 years before the actual war. I did not know that Lincoln was a very depressed person and was labeled a monkey by the southerners. Just a fascinating story! It is an indepth look at the trials and tribulations the Mains and the Hazards had to bear. It is a moving and exciting piece and I would recommend it to anyone who enjoyed the first. Read North and South then hook up with this book! Lots of characters to love and hate. By Dena Gray on Jul 01, Very good personal story but really bogged down with details about all the Generals and etc. Was nteresting , to a point, and I am sure if you are a student of the Civil War,you would appreciate it. Actually found myself skipping pages to move on,and I never do that. The war has finally started and you see the direct impact on both families of the Mains of South Carolina and the Hazards of Pennsylvania. The novel follows many different story lines and it would be hard to follow if you had not read the previous book first. John Jakes best strength is his character development and it is shown in abundance within this story. He helps pull the reader in and care for his characters which helps you root for them as events unfold. None of the main characters find themselves on the front lines of the battlefield except Bent at Shiloh and Charles here and there. Very few pages were dedicated to the main battles themselves besides Bull Run. I did find the cavalry information interesting about the battle of Brandy Station but Jakes description is done after the battle took place with no characters partaking in it. This happens throughout the whole book. I understand that Jakes wanted the story to not romanticize the war and give an accurate description of it. I would have liked to have had a little more action in the story. Jakes also did not want to go on and on about the major battles I think he felt there has been enough novels written about those events already and wanted to broaden the horizons of people behind the scenes. Which he accomplished by focusing on the railroad lines, smuggling, detective work, battle hospitals, prisons, early submarine technology you name it this story touches ground on a lot of stuff. The Stanley character seemed the least interesting to me not being able to handle the massive success and his wife Isabel seemed like such a control freak. You would hope in the third novel that they go broke. You would think that after getting captured once Billy would have been a little more cautious in the field. Bent just seemed to be a prodical son type of character never able to fit in on any job given to him because of his ways, but always getting a second or third chance. Bent is written as more of a cowardly villain. Cooper as a Southern agent in England was interesting and just flew by but the chapters where he is working on the CS Hunley submarine seem slower than dirt. Makes me wonder if Coopers daughter is going to date his naval assistant in the third installment of the trilogy. I found myself liking characters from the first book that were annoying like Virgilia. Her story gets interesting and I liked the path Jakes took with Charles he has a much bigger role in this story. Both George and Orry seemed to be relegated to war department side jobs for their own sides most of the war. I know a lot already about the Union profiteering and bungling of supplies and weapons but learned a lot more about the Southern side how they handicapped themselves worrying about states rights rather than the strength of the army. I would recommend this book it is much better than North and South. Looking forward to finishing up the trilogy with Heaven and Hell. I felt the book was more developed as a whole. As one who did not pay attention in school while studying The Civil War I have really enjoyed reading these books. I never knew how torn people in the country were regarding the war and slavery. I also did not realize that President Lincoln had a darker side to him as well. You felt the hope, despair, hatred along with all the characters.

John Jakes is the bestselling author of Charleston, the Kent Family Chronicles, the North and South trilogy, On Secret Service, California Gold, Homeland, and American Dreams. Descended from a soldier of the Virginia Continental Line who fought in the American Revolution, Jakes is one of today's most distinguished authors of historical fiction.

Jul 25, Colleen rated it really liked it 4. Took me seven weeks to read all three books straight through Exactly the kind of historical fiction I like- it uses the fictional characters to paint a thorough and compelling picture of a historical era I know about mostly from the classroom and a few movies i. Gone with the Wind. Jakes uses the two families and the people that they meet to really detail the lives of people as diverse as the "southern belle gone wrong," the "westward explorer 4. I thoroughly recommend the trilogy. On the positive side, Jakes has very well developed characters. The interaction between them is believable. And his stories are interesting. My problem is how much I felt like I was reading a soap opera. For me, the story dragged with too much detail and too many characters. After several pages, the story had made little progress. I am curious where the story goes, but I may have to pick up the mini-series for satisfaction. He gives the reader a journey into the life and times of the subject. I love his series books that cover generations and time. This series gives the reader insight into the difficulty and the relationship between the North and South before, during and after the Civil War. This is a great read. Tho it is historical fiction, Mr. Jakes weaves fact through out the books. Jakes for your talent and skill as a story teller. The trilogy made the civil war so fresh in your mind, as though you were there. It really made it real for you. I have some of his other books and need to put them in order so I read them in sequence, even though they can stand alone.

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