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ADULT RESOURCES

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All About America What Really Happened at the 1st Thanksgiving

By Dora Mekouar
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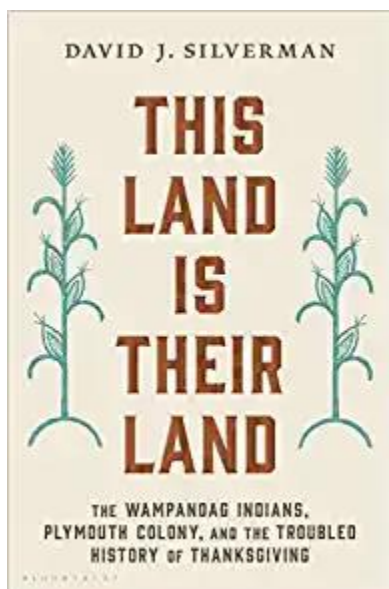
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House Passes Bill to Protect Mashpee Wampanoag Reservation



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In March 1621, when Plymouth's survival was hanging in the balance, the Wampanoag sachem (or chief), Ousamequin (Massasoit), and Plymouth's governor, John Carver, declared their people's friendship for each other and a commitment to mutual defense. Later that autumn, the English gathered their first successful harvest and lifted the specter of starvation. Ousamequin and 90 of his men then visited Plymouth for the "First Thanksgiving." The treaty remained operative until King Philip's War in 1675, when 50 years of uneasy peace between the two parties would come to an end.

400 years after that famous meal, historian David J. Silverman sheds profound new light on the events that led to the creation, and bloody dissolution, of this alliance. Focusing on the Wampanoag Indians, Silverman deepens the narrative to consider tensions that developed well before 1620 and lasted long after the devastating war-tracing the Wampanoags' ongoing struggle for self-determination up to this very day.

This unsettling history reveals why some modern Native people hold a Day of Mourning on Thanksgiving, a holiday which celebrates a myth of colonialism and white proprietorship of the United States. *This Land is Their Land* shows that it is time to rethink how we, as a pluralistic nation, tell the history of Thanksgiving.

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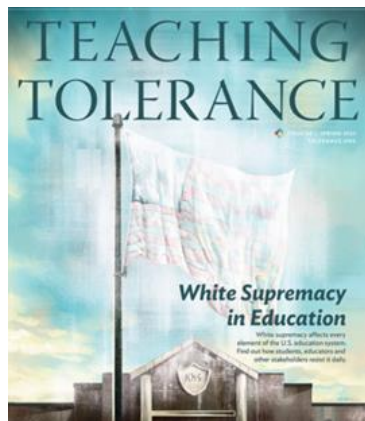
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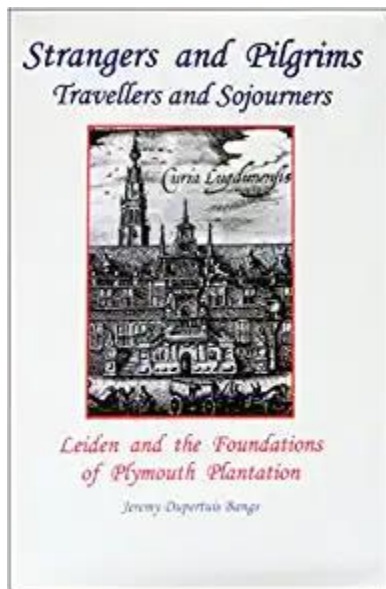
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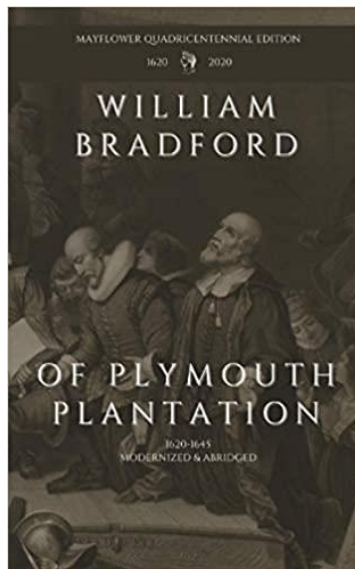
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Mayflower & Pilgrim Books



Jeremy Bangs, Strangers and Pilgrims, Travelers and Sojourners. Leiden and the Foundations of Plymouth Plantation, General Society of Mayflower Descendants, 2009; 1st edition (January 1, 2009)

"In this incredible work Jeremy Bangs rips away nearly four centuries of encrusted knowledge about the Pilgrims. Not content to rely on received knowledge about this separatist community, Bangs has spent a lifetime searching them out in archives--Dutch, English and American. The result is an extraordinary reassessment of these people. Never mincing words (Bangs is refreshingly direct), his scholarship is the starting line for any historian interested in the Pilgrim story or early American history writ large..." William M. Fowler, Professor of History, Northeastern University.



Bradford, William, Of Plimouth Plantation

"All great and honorable actions are accompanied with great difficulties, and both must be enterprised and overcome with answerable courage."

— William Bradford

— An American Classic!

"Of Plymouth Plantation" -- the first person narrative account of the pilgrims adventures and challenges and triumphs during its early years.

Many editions are available.

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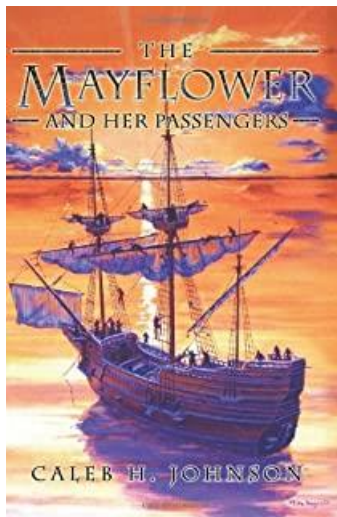
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Cheney, Glenn. Thanksgiving: The Pilgrims' First Year in America, New London Librarium; First edition (October 1, 2007)

"Thanksgiving" is not about a holiday. It's about 102 people who came to the New World, suffered terribly, struggled courageously, and established the foundation of America. The prologue explores the reasons they left Europe. The book then puts the reader on the gun deck of the *Mayflower* where the passengers endured a horrific 66-day voyage across the Atlantic. The book puts the reader in the Pilgrims' cold, wet boots as they tromp around Cape Cod in search of a place to live as winter sets in.

Though "Thanksgiving" holds strictly to fact, the graphic, dramatic presentation shares the Pilgrim experience. It treats the Pilgrims not as super-heroes or cartoon characters but as just plain people who were willing to face death for the values they believed in.



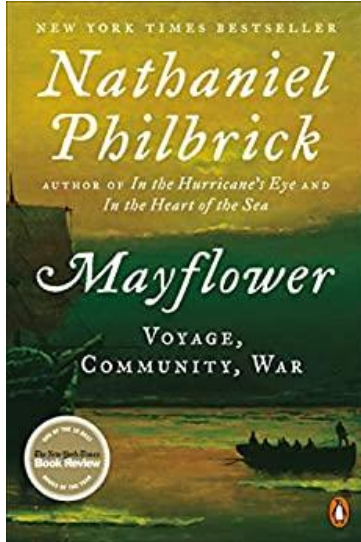
Johnson, Caleb. The Mayflower and Her Passengers, Xlibris (July 26, 2006)

Rather than a traditional history of Pilgrims, *The Mayflower and Her Passengers* instead consists of short (1 to 20 page) individual biographies of each family or person who came on the *Mayflower*, giving the known information about them from English and Dutch records as well as an account of what happened to them in America. It also includes an introductory history on the *Mayflower* ship itself and a description of the voyage, as well as reprints of a few key historical documents.

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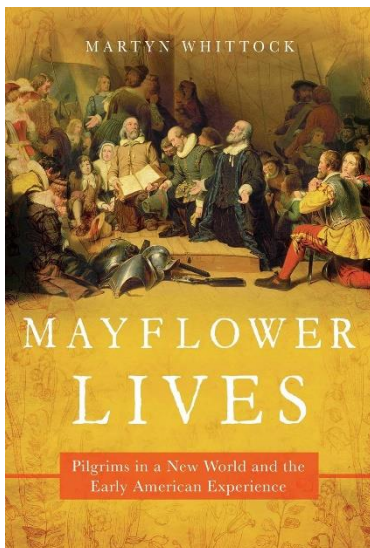
Philbrick, Nathaniel. Mayflower: A Story of Courage, Community, and War, Penguin Books; 1st edition (May 9, 2006)

Vivid and remarkably fresh...Philbrick has recast the Pilgrims for the ages."--*The New York Times Book Review*

Finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in History

***New York Times Book Review* Top Ten books of the Year**

How did America begin? That simple question launches the acclaimed author of *In the Hurricane's Eye* and *Valiant Ambition* on an extraordinary journey to understand the truth behind our most sacred national myth: the voyage of the *Mayflower* and the settlement of Plymouth Colony. As Philbrick reveals in this electrifying history of the Pilgrims, the story of Plymouth Colony was a fifty-five year epic that began in peril and ended in war. New England erupted into a bloody conflict that nearly wiped out the English colonists and natives alike. These events shaped the existing communities and the country that would grow from them



Whittock, Martyn. Mayflower Lives: Pilgrims in a New World and the Early American Experience

Martyn Whittock examines the lives of the "saints" (members of the Separatist puritan congregations) and "strangers" (economic migrants) on the original ship. Collectively, these people would become known to history as "the Pilgrims."

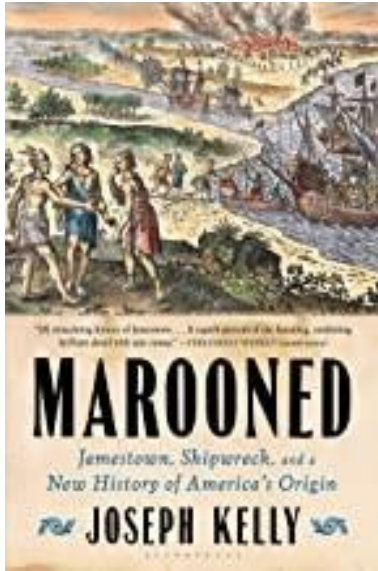
The story of the Pilgrims has taken on a life of its own as one of our founding national myths—their escape from religious persecution, the dangerous transatlantic journey, that brutal first winter. Throughout the narrative, we meet characters already familiar to us through Thanksgiving folklore—Captain Jones, Myles Standish, and Tisquantum (Squanto)—as well as new ones.

Epic and intimate, *Mayflower Lives* is a rich and rewarding book that promises to enthrall readers of early American history.

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Kelly, Joseph. Marooned: Jamestown, Shipwreck, and a New History of America's Origin

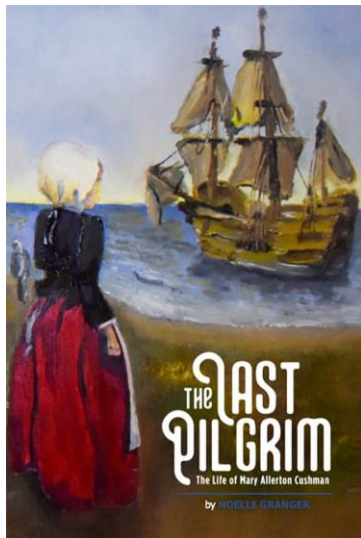
We all know the great American origin story: It begins with an exodus. Fleeing religious persecution, the hardworking, pious Pilgrims thrived in the wilds of New England, where they built their fabled "shining city on a hill." Legend goes that the colony in Jamestown was a false start, offering a cautionary tale of lazy louts hunted gold till they starved and shiftless settlers who had to be rescued by English food and the hard discipline of martial law.

Neither story is true. In *Marooned*, Joseph Kelly re-examines the history of Jamestown and comes to a radically different and decidedly American interpretation of these first Virginians. In this gripping account of shipwrecks and mutiny in America's earliest settlements, Kelly argues that the colonists at Jamestown were literally and figuratively marooned, cut loose from civilization, and cast into the wilderness. The epic origin of America was not an exodus and a fledgling theocracy. It is a tale of shipwrecked castaways of all classes marooned in the wilderness fending for themselves in any way they could--a story that illuminates who we are as a nation today.

Granger, Noelle. The Last Pilgrim

This book captures and celebrates the grit and struggle of the Pilgrim women who stepped off the Mayflower in the winter of 1620 to an unknown world – one filled with hardship, danger and death. The Plymouth Colony would not have survived without them.

Mary Allerton Cushman was the last surviving passenger of the Mayflower, dying at age 88 in 1699.



Mary's life is set against the real background of that time. *The Last Pilgrim* begins from her father's point of view – she was, after all, only four when she descended into the cramped and dank living space below deck on the Mayflower – but gradually assumes Mary's voice, as the colony achieves a foothold in the New England's rocky soil. What was a woman's life like in the Plymouth Colony? *The Last Pilgrim* will tell you.

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