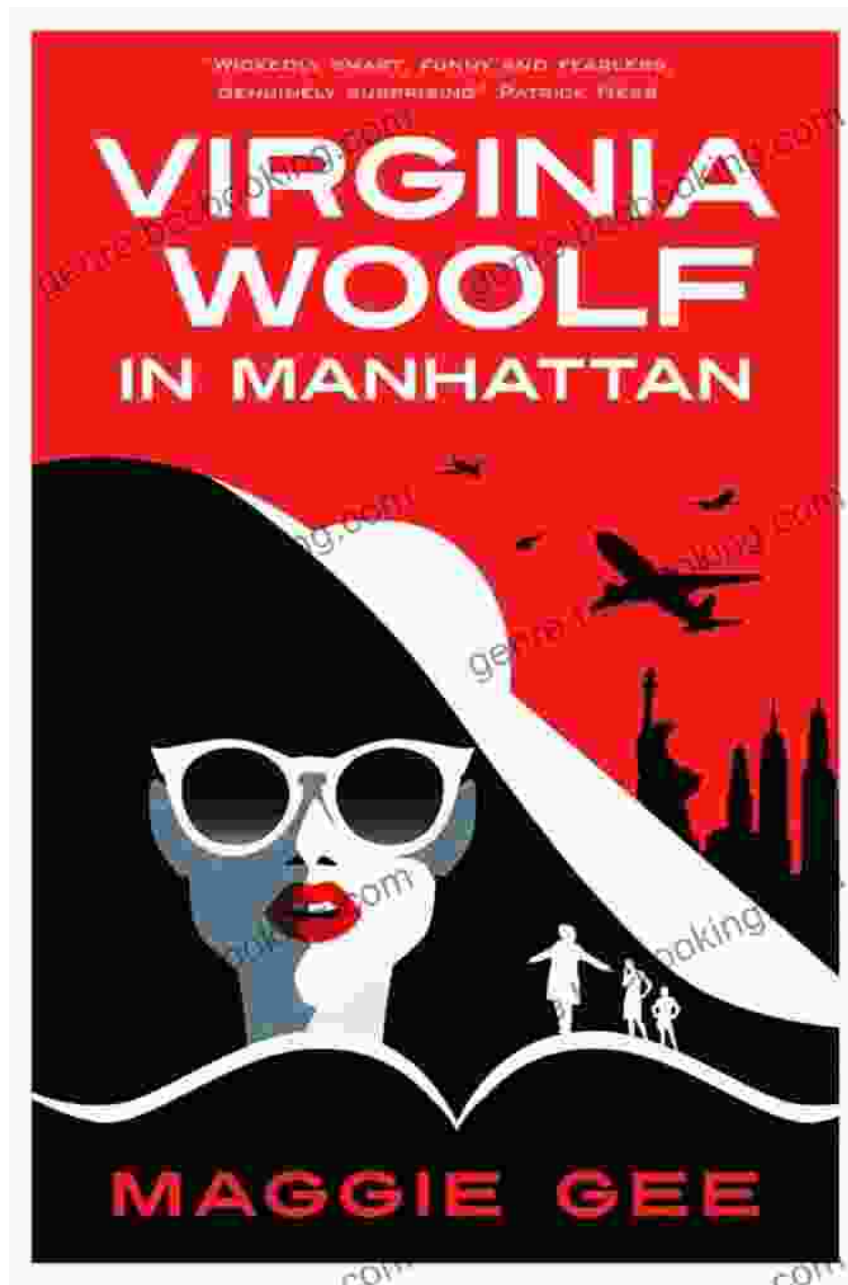


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About the Author

Virginia Cowles (1903-1991) was an American journalist and author. She was best known for her reporting on the Spanish Civil War and World War II. Cowles was also a close friend of many of the leading figures of the 20th century, including Ernest Hemingway, F. Scott Fitzgerald, and Winston Churchill.

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