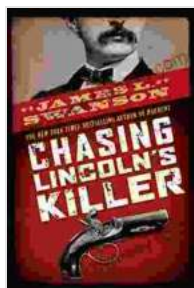


# Chasing Lincoln's Killer: A Thrilling Journey Through History

On the fateful night of April 14, 1865, President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated by John Wilkes Booth, a Confederate sympathizer. In the aftermath of this tragedy, a nationwide manhunt ensued, led by Union soldiers and detectives determined to bring Booth to justice.

In his captivating book, "Chasing Lincoln's Killer," James Swanson masterfully recounts the gripping tale of this pursuit. Through meticulous research and vivid storytelling, Swanson immerses readers in the tumultuous days following Lincoln's assassination, as a team of relentless investigators closes in on Booth.



## Chasing Lincoln's Killer by James L. Swanson

★★★★☆ 4.6 out of 5

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File size	: 18258 KB
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Screen Reader	: Supported
Enhanced typesetting	: Enabled
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## The Manhunt Unfolds

Led by Secretary of War Edwin Stanton, a seasoned Civil War general, and detective Lafayette Baker, a skilled investigator, the manhunt spanned over 12 days and covered hundreds of miles. Swanson meticulously details the tireless efforts of these men, as they followed every lead and navigated treacherous terrain.

Booth and his accomplice, David Herold, fled Washington, D.C., and embarked on a desperate journey through Maryland and Virginia, disguising themselves and seeking safe haven from Confederate sympathizers. However, the Union forces were relentless, tracking their movements with unwavering determination.

## **The Capture and Aftermath**

On April 26, 1865, Booth was finally cornered in a barn in Virginia. He refused to surrender and was shot and killed by Sergeant Boston Corbett. Herold was apprehended shortly thereafter, along with other conspirators.

Swanson vividly depicts the tension-filled moments of the capture, the interrogation of the suspects, and the subsequent trials that unfolded. He delves into the motivations of Booth and his cohorts, exploring the complexities of their actions and the lasting impact of their crime.

## **A Legacy of Justice**

"Chasing Lincoln's Killer" is more than just a historical account; it is a gripping tale of justice prevailing in the face of adversity. Swanson's meticulous research and vivid storytelling bring the events of 1865 to life, providing a poignant reminder of the sacrifices made by those who pursued Booth.

Swanson's work sheds light on the resilience and bravery of the investigators and soldiers who played a pivotal role in bringing Booth to justice. Their tireless efforts ensured that the perpetrators of such a heinous crime would not escape accountability.

### **Praise for "Chasing Lincoln's Killer"**

Critics have hailed "Chasing Lincoln's Killer" as a masterpiece of historical writing and a must-read for anyone interested in American history or true crime. Here are a few excerpts:



***"A gripping and meticulously researched account that brings the dramatic pursuit of John Wilkes Booth to life."***

***—The New York Times***

***"Swanson's writing is as suspenseful as a thriller, yet as accurate and informative as any history text."***

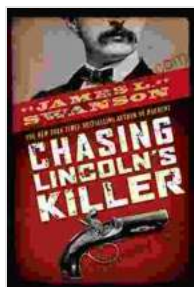
***—The Washington Post***

***"A tour de force that will keep readers on the edge of their seats."***

***—Publishers Weekly***

James Swanson's "Chasing Lincoln's Killer" is a captivating and essential read for anyone interested in the assassination of Abraham Lincoln and the subsequent manhunt. With gripping storytelling and meticulous research, Swanson transports readers back in time to witness one of the most dramatic events in American history.

Through the compelling narrative of the pursuit of John Wilkes Booth, Swanson illuminates the courage and resilience of those who fought for justice and the enduring legacy of Lincoln's assassination. This book is a testament to the power of perseverance, the importance of historical accuracy, and the enduring fascination with one of the darkest chapters in American history.



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