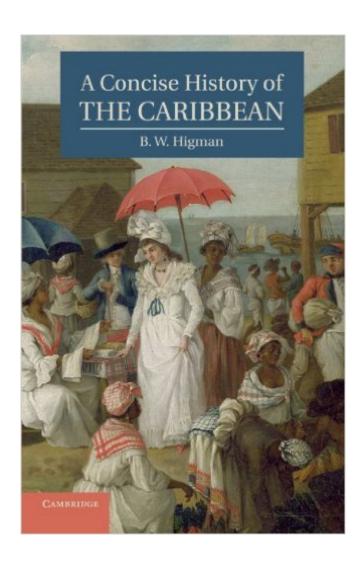
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The Caribbean is a challenging place for which to write a regional history. The author of  $\tilde{A}$   $\hat{A}$  «A Concise History of the Caribbean $\tilde{A}$   $\hat{A}$ », B.W. Higman, puts the reader on notice about this situation at the very beginning of the book: "The history of the Caribbean has its special difficulties, particularly because of the large number of states, polities, and islands in the region, all of them with their own individual as well as shared histories." To complicate matters, there were also several colonial powers involved in the historical dynamics of the region, and events affecting them elsewhere in the world would tend to have direct repercussions on the Caribbean territories, often forcefully. And finally, the peoples who gave rise to that history, and still do, arguably represent the most eclectic mix of cultures ever assembled in any regional epic of humanity, involving numerous languages and ethnicities from each of the following meta-groups: Native Americans, Southern and

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