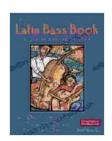
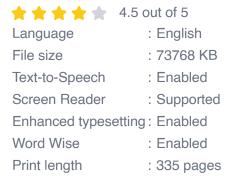
### The Latin Bass: Georgia Witkin

Georgia Witkin is a bassist, composer, and producer who has been active in the Latin music scene for over 20 years. She has performed and recorded with a wide range of artists, including Tito Puente, Celia Cruz, and Eddie Palmieri. Witkin is known for her distinctive bass playing style, which combines elements of jazz, funk, and Latin music.



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#### Early life and career

Georgia Witkin was born in New York City in 1964. She began playing bass at the age of 14, and by the time she was 18, she was playing professionally with local Latin bands. In 1986, she joined the Tito Puente Orchestra, and she quickly became one of the most respected bass players in the Latin music world.

Witkin has since performed and recorded with a wide range of artists, including Celia Cruz, Eddie Palmieri, Arturo Sandoval, and Giovanni

Hidalgo. She has also released several solo albums, including *Bassically Yours* (1996), *Georgia Witkin* (2002), and *The Latin Bass* (2010).

#### Playing style

Georgia Witkin is known for her distinctive bass playing style, which combines elements of jazz, funk, and Latin music. She is a master of the "walking bass" technique, which involves playing a continuous stream of eighth notes while moving up and down the neck of the bass. Witkin also frequently uses syncopated rhythms and funky bass lines.

Witkin's playing is characterized by its strong groove and its melodic sense. She is able to create complex and interesting bass lines that support the music without overpowering it. Witkin is also a skilled soloist, and she frequently takes extended solos during her performances.

#### **Accomplishments**

Georgia Witkin has received numerous awards and accolades for her work. She has been nominated for a Grammy Award three times, and she has won the Latin Grammy Award for Best Latin Jazz Album twice. Witkin has also been featured in several magazines and newspapers, including *Bass Player*, *JazzTimes*, and *The New York Times*.

Witkin is a highly respected and influential figure in the Latin music world. She is a role model for young bass players, and she has helped to raise the profile of the bass guitar in Latin music.

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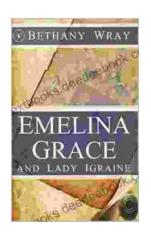
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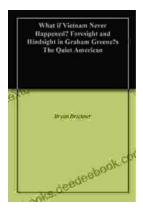
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