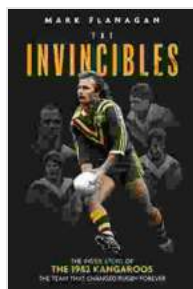


# The Inside Story of the 1982 Australians: The Team That Changed Rugby Forever



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The 1982 Australian rugby team was one of the most successful in history, winning the Grand Slam and becoming the first team to beat the All Blacks in New Zealand. This book tells the inside story of that team, from their early struggles to their eventual triumph.

The book is based on extensive interviews with the players, coaches, and administrators who were involved in the team's success. It provides a fascinating insight into the team's culture, their training methods, and their game plans.

The book also reveals the personal stories of the players, who came from all walks of life. There are stories of triumph and adversity, of sacrifice and reward.

The 1982 Australians were a special team. They were a team of underdogs who achieved something that had never been done before. Their story is an inspiration to anyone who has ever dreamed of achieving something great.

## **The Early Years**

The 1982 Australian rugby team was not always a success story. In fact, the team's early years were marked by struggle and disappointment.

In 1979, the Australians lost all three of their matches on a tour of South Africa. In 1980, they lost two of their three matches on a tour of the British Isles.

The team's fortunes began to change in 1981, when they won the Bledisloe Cup for the first time in 17 years. The following year, they won the Grand Slam, becoming the first team to beat all four major rugby nations in the same year.

## **The Grand Slam**

The 1982 Grand Slam was one of the most remarkable achievements in rugby history. The Australians were underdogs in every match, but they played with passion and determination and ultimately prevailed.

The Australians began their tour with a 16-7 win over England at Twickenham. They then beat Scotland 24-15 at Murrayfield, Wales 24-12 at the Cardiff Arms Park, and Ireland 18-9 at Lansdowne Road.

The final match of the tour was against the All Blacks at Eden Park in Auckland. The All Blacks were the world champions, and they were heavily favored to win. However, the Australians played their hearts out and pulled off a stunning 23-16 victory.

The Grand Slam was a watershed moment for Australian rugby. It proved that the Australians were capable of beating the best teams in the world. It also gave the Australians a new sense of confidence and belief.

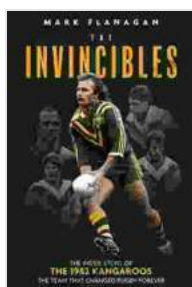
## **The Legacy of the 1982 Australians**

The 1982 Australian rugby team left a lasting legacy on the game. They were the first team to win the Grand Slam, and they were the first team to beat the All Blacks in New Zealand. They also helped to change the way that rugby was played, with their emphasis on speed, skill, and teamwork.

The 1982 Australians are still considered one of the greatest rugby teams of all time. Their achievements continue to inspire players and fans around the world.

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The Inside Story of the 1982 Australians is a fascinating account of the team's success. It is a must-read for any fan of rugby or anyone who is interested in the power of teamwork and determination.



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