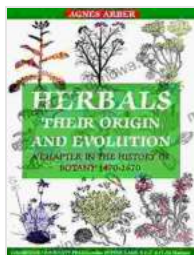


# A Captivating Journey Through the History of Botany: A Visual Exploration of Illustrations from 1470 to 1670



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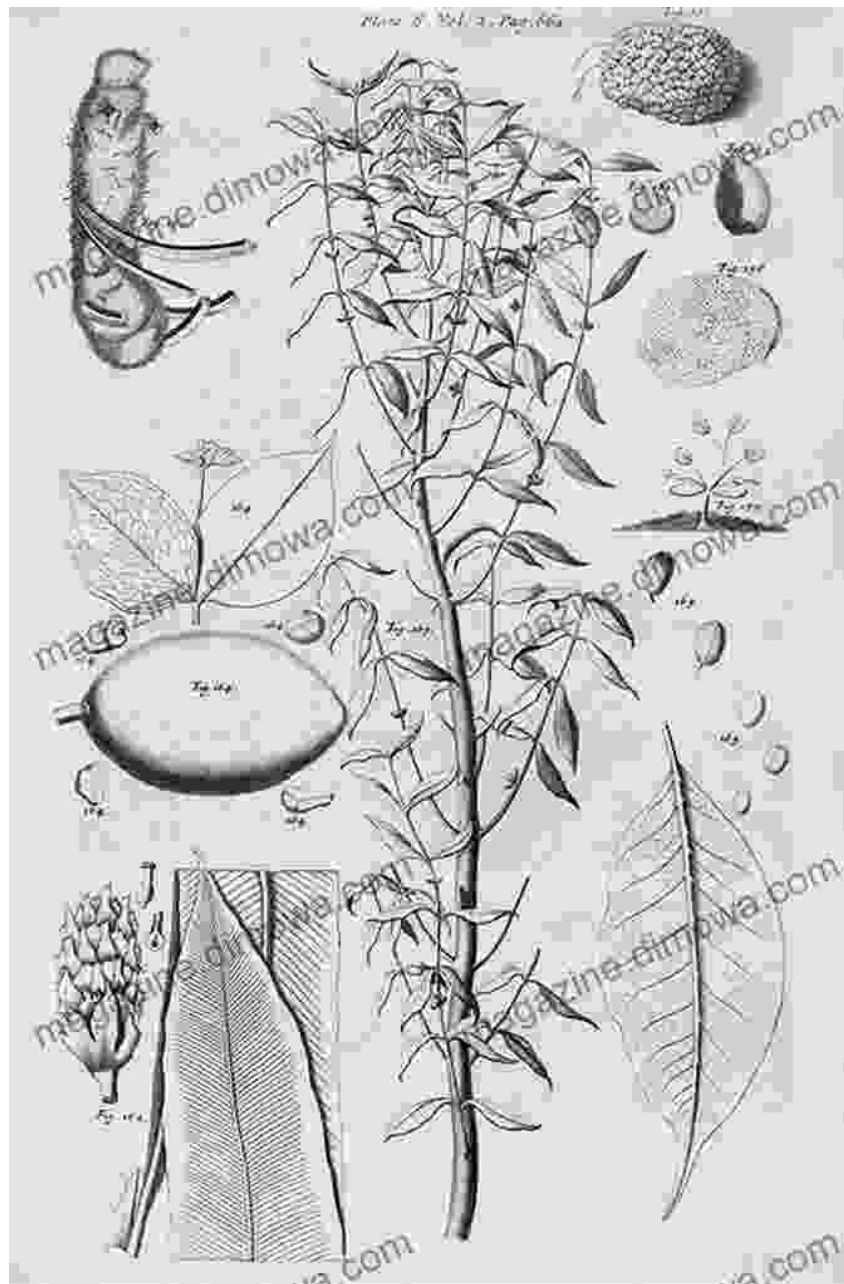
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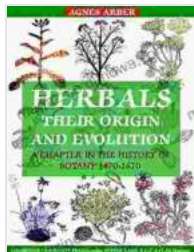


elegance, and the vibrant watercolors of Maria Sibylla Merian, whose depictions of exotic plants from around the world captivated the imaginations of naturalists.



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collection of beautiful images; it is a testament to the transformative power of human curiosity, the pursuit of knowledge, and the enduring beauty of the natural world.



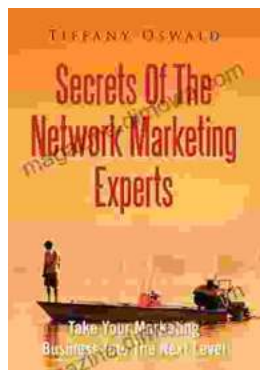
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