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From Publishers Weekly

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"Long, brilliant, and stylish . . . [*Reconstruction*] is of signal importance . . . the most comprehensive and convincing account of the effort to build a racially democratic and just society from the fiery ruins of slavery." -- *Los Angeles Times Book Review*

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"This is history written on a grand scale, a masterful treatment of one of the most complex periods of American history." --*New Republic*

From the Back Cover

This "masterful treatment of one of the most complex periods of American history" (*New Republic*) made history when it was originally published in 1988. It redefined how Reconstruction was viewed by historians and people everywhere in its chronicling of how Americans -- black and white -- responded to the unprecedented changes unleashed by the war and the end of slavery. This "smart book of enormous strengths" (*Boston Globe*) has since gone on to become the classic work on the wrenching post-Civil War period -- an era whose legacy reverberates still today in the United States.

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