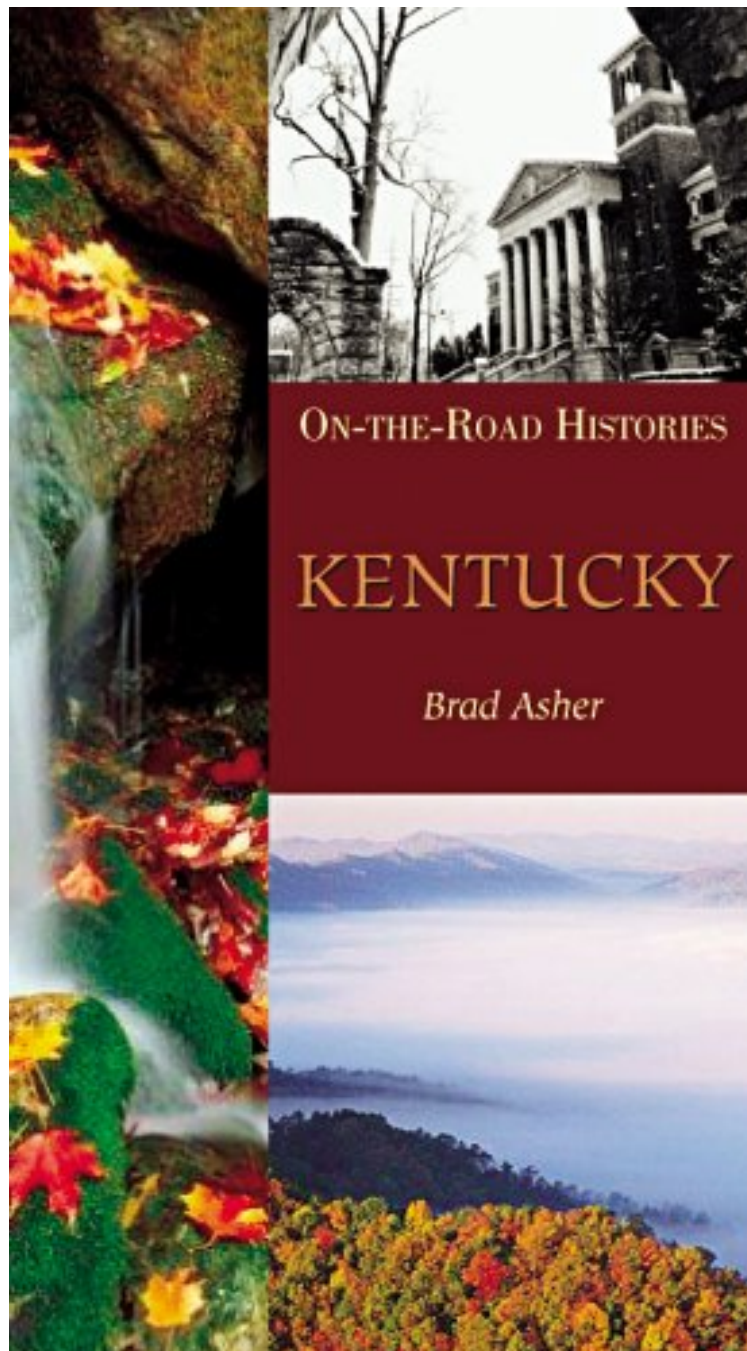


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Concise history covering all aspects of the state and its people.

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