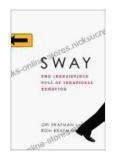
# Sway: The Irresistible Pull Of Irrational Behavior

### By Ori Brafman and Rom Brafman

Have you ever wondered why you sometimes make decisions that don't seem to make sense? Why do you buy things you don't need? Why do you stay in relationships that aren't good for you? Why do you take risks that you know are foolish?



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The answer, according to Ori Brafman and Rom Brafman, is that we are all susceptible to the power of irrational behavior. In their book *Sway: The Irresistible Pull Of Irrational Behavior*, the Brafmans argue that irrational behavior is not a flaw, but rather a powerful force that can be used to our advantage.

The Brafmans provide a framework for understanding irrational behavior and using it to make better decisions. They identify six key principles of irrational behavior:

- The Scarcity Principle: We tend to value things more when they are scarce.
- 2. **The Authority Principle:** We are more likely to believe someone who is an authority figure, even if they are wrong.
- 3. **The Social Proof Principle:** We are more likely to do something if we see others ng it.
- 4. **The Liking Principle:** We are more likely to be persuaded by someone we like.
- 5. The Reciprocity Principle: We feel obligated to return favors.
- 6. **The Unity Principle:** We are more likely to cooperate with others if we feel like we are part of a group.

The Brafmans show how these principles can be used to influence our behavior in a variety of ways. For example, they show how marketers use the Scarcity Principle to create a sense of urgency and drive sales. They also show how politicians use the Authority Principle to gain credibility and build support. And they show how social media companies use the Social Proof Principle to encourage us to share our lives with others.

*Sway* is a fascinating and thought-provoking book that will change the way you think about irrational behavior. The Brafmans provide a wealth of insights into why we make the decisions we do, and they offer practical advice for using irrational behavior to our advantage. If you are interested

in learning more about the power of irrational behavior, I highly recommend reading *Sway*.

## **Book Summary**

Sway: The Irresistible Pull Of Irrational Behavior is a book that explores the power of irrational behavior. The book argues that irrational behavior is not a flaw, but rather a powerful force that can be used to our advantage. The authors provide a framework for understanding irrational behavior and using it to make better decisions.

The book is divided into three parts. The first part introduces the six key principles of irrational behavior. The second part provides a deeper dive into each of the principles, and the third part shows how these principles can be used to influence our behavior in a variety of ways.

Sway is a well-written and engaging book that is full of fascinating insights. The Brafmans provide a wealth of real-world examples to illustrate their points, and they offer practical advice for using irrational behavior to our advantage. I highly recommend this book to anyone who is interested in learning more about the power of irrational behavior.

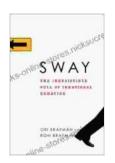
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#### Nobel laureate in economics

"Sway is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the power of irrational behavior. The Brafmans provide a clear and concise framework for understanding how irrational behavior works, and they offer practical advice for using it to your advantage." - Robert Cialdini, author of *Influence* 

"Sway is a brilliant book that will help you understand the irrational side of human nature. The Brafmans provide a wealth of insights into why we make the decisions we do, and they offer practical advice for using irrational behavior to your advantage." - Malcolm Gladwell, author of *The Tipping Point* 



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