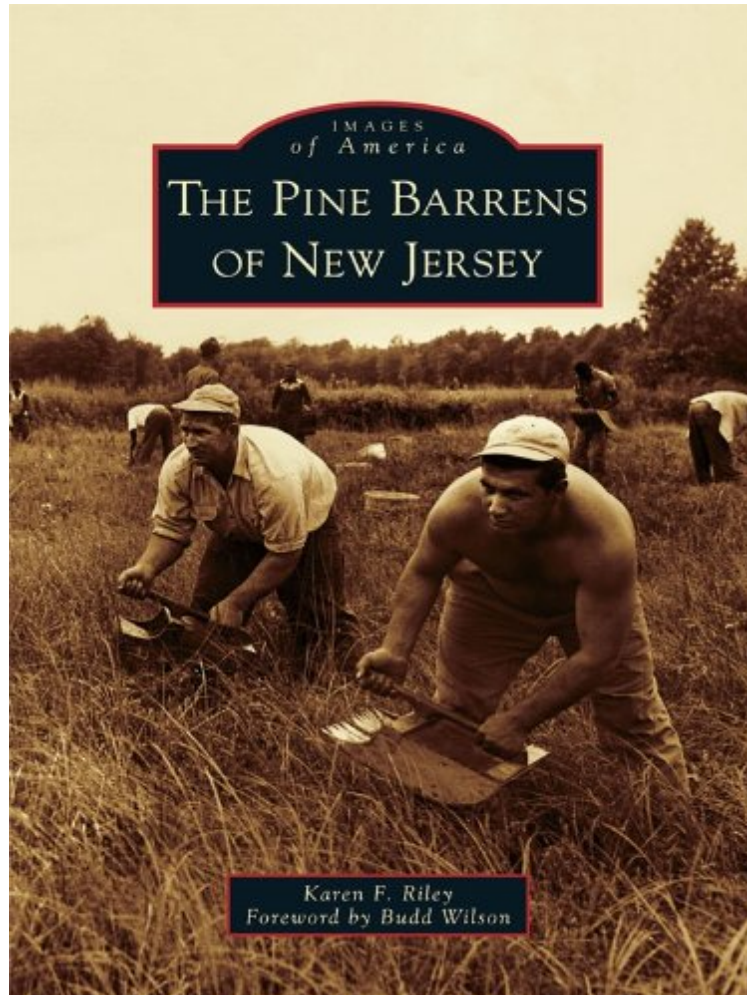


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The Pine Barrens of New Jersey cover 22 percent of the most densely populated state in the country. It is the largest stretch of open space between Boston, Massachusetts, and Richmond, Virginia. It reaches across 56 municipalities and 7 counties. The name came from early settlers who thought the area was a vast wasteland, but it is anything but barren. Underneath this incredible natural resource lies almost 17 trillion gallons of some of the purest water on earth. Stands

of pitch pine gave birth to the charcoal industry, and its acidic swamps were used first for bog iron and later for cranberry production. Many firsts came from this area, including cranberry sauce, cultivated blueberries, and grape juice. Numerous industries have risen and fallen over time. Remnants of forgotten ghost towns bear witness to that history, but the real stories come from the people who lived and worked there.

From the Author This book is the third in a series of books that I've written on the Pine Barrens. I hope that you will check out my other two titles on .com: *Whispers in the Pines: The Secrets of Colliers Mills* and *Voices in the Pines: True Stories from the New Jersey Pine Barrens*. I learned so much over the past 10 years while researching this area. I've written about the history, the environment and the people that call this amazing place home. They say that a picture is worth a thousand words and so I hope that through this latest book, you will discover a Pine Barrens that you may never have known existed. This book was truly a labor of love and I learned so much about the industries that rose and fell, towns that no longer exist and people who are long gone. I hope that reading these books will ignite a passion for the Pine Barrens in your heart, as it has in mine!

About the Author Karen F. Riley has developed a passion for the Pine Barrens and its people, history, and culture. This is her third book on the area, and she is deeply indebted to the residents who shared their photographs, stories, and history so others may learn about this jewel of New Jersey. Budd Wilson is a retired historical archaeologist who has excavated several sites in the Pine Barrens, including iron furnaces, a window glass factory, a lime kiln, and a schoolhouse.