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THE FABRIC OF CIVILIZATION

How Textiles Made the World

Virginia Postrel

Author of *The Future & Its Enemies*; *The Power of Glamour*; *The Substance of Style*; and *The Fabric of Civilization* (2021)

A fascinating, surprising and beautifully written history of technology, economics and culture, told through the thread of textiles, humanity's most indispensable artefacts. I loved it. —Matt Ridley, [How Innovation Works](#)

My pick as best nonfiction book of the year...[Virginia Postrel] offers a bold retelling of history through an emphasis on cloth — cloth as decoration, cloth as currency, cloth as ritual and much more. One of the most extraordinary volumes I have read in years. —[Stephen Carter, Bloomberg](#)

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