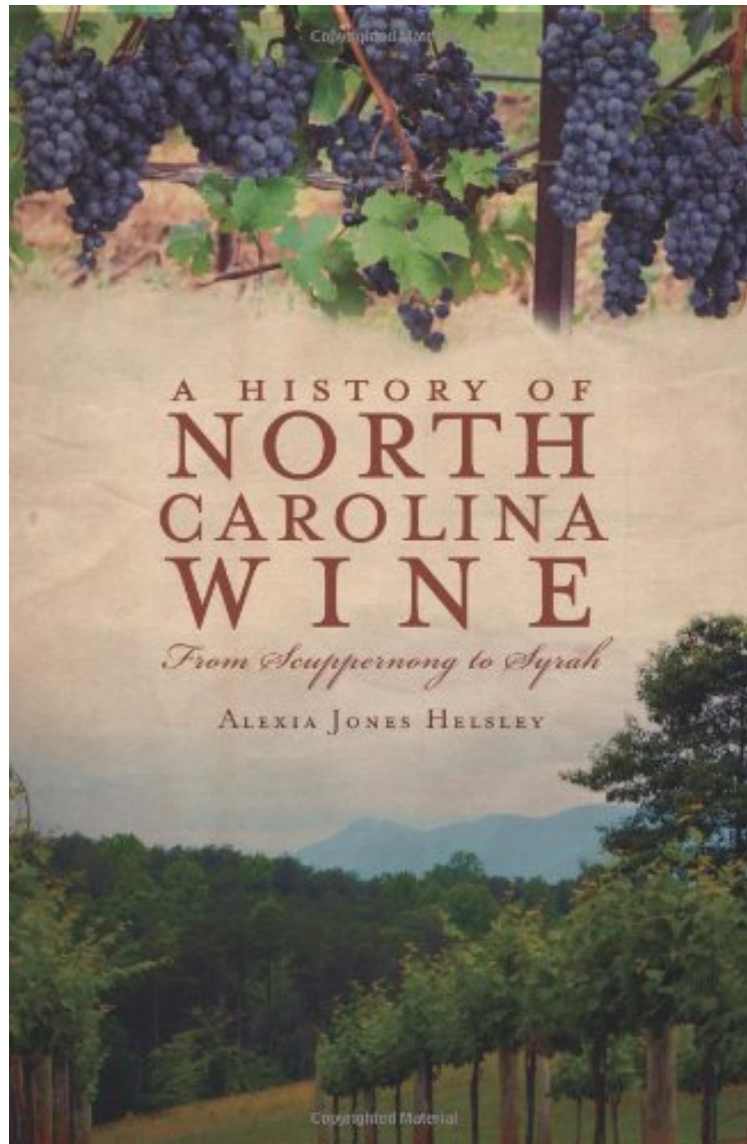


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Just like the reviewer from 2011, I also wanted to like this book; but the lack of any narrative flow and consistent organizational frame-work really made what I was hoping would be a great story into a burden. I literally had to talk myself through it, saying that it had to get better. It didn't. I give the author credit for the research that she did, as there is no end to her names and dates; but she needs help as a story-teller. In part I'll blame her and in part we all should blame the editor/publisher for letting this get thru the process without a severe re-write. If you are looking for names and dates for NC wine industry history only, they are here - just don't look forward to any kind of story-narrative.

Take a journey through the long and exciting history of North Carolina grapes and vines. The state's native grapes grew with a wild abandon that uniformly impressed early explorers. Wine production, however, is another story--one with peaks and valleys and switchbacks. Alexia Jones Helsley recounts a tale of promise that was long unfulfilled, of disappointments and success and of competing visions and grapes. These pages speak to those intrigued by the romance of the native muscadines, appreciative of the complex varieties of North Carolina wine and fascinated by the enduring drama of human beings and their dreams. In the Old North State, the highly acclaimed vineyards of today have deep roots in the state's past.

About the Author  
Alexia Jones Helsley is an archivist and historian with deep roots in western North Carolina. Her parents live in Hendersonville, and her father, Dr. George A. Jones, is a native of Saluda, North Carolina. She is a founding member and program vice-president of the Henderson County Genealogical and Historical Society and has published widely on the history of North and South Carolina. Her North Carolina titles include *A Guide to Historic Henderson County, North Carolina* and *the Henderson County (N.C.) Revolutionary Pensioners of 1840, 1997* recipient of the Willie Parker Peace Prize (North Carolina Society of Historians). Other relevant research interests include the Battle of Kings Mountain, Mountain Page Baptist Church, Carolina migration trails and the Pace family of western North Carolina. Her Pace ancestors moved from Virginia into eastern North Carolina and eventually settled near Saluda. Helsley, an instructor in history for the University of South Carolina, Aiken, currently serves as president of the Pace Society of America. In addition, she is a member of the Old Exchange Commission, and in 2006, the South Carolina State Historic Records Advisory Board presented her with the Governor's Archives Award.