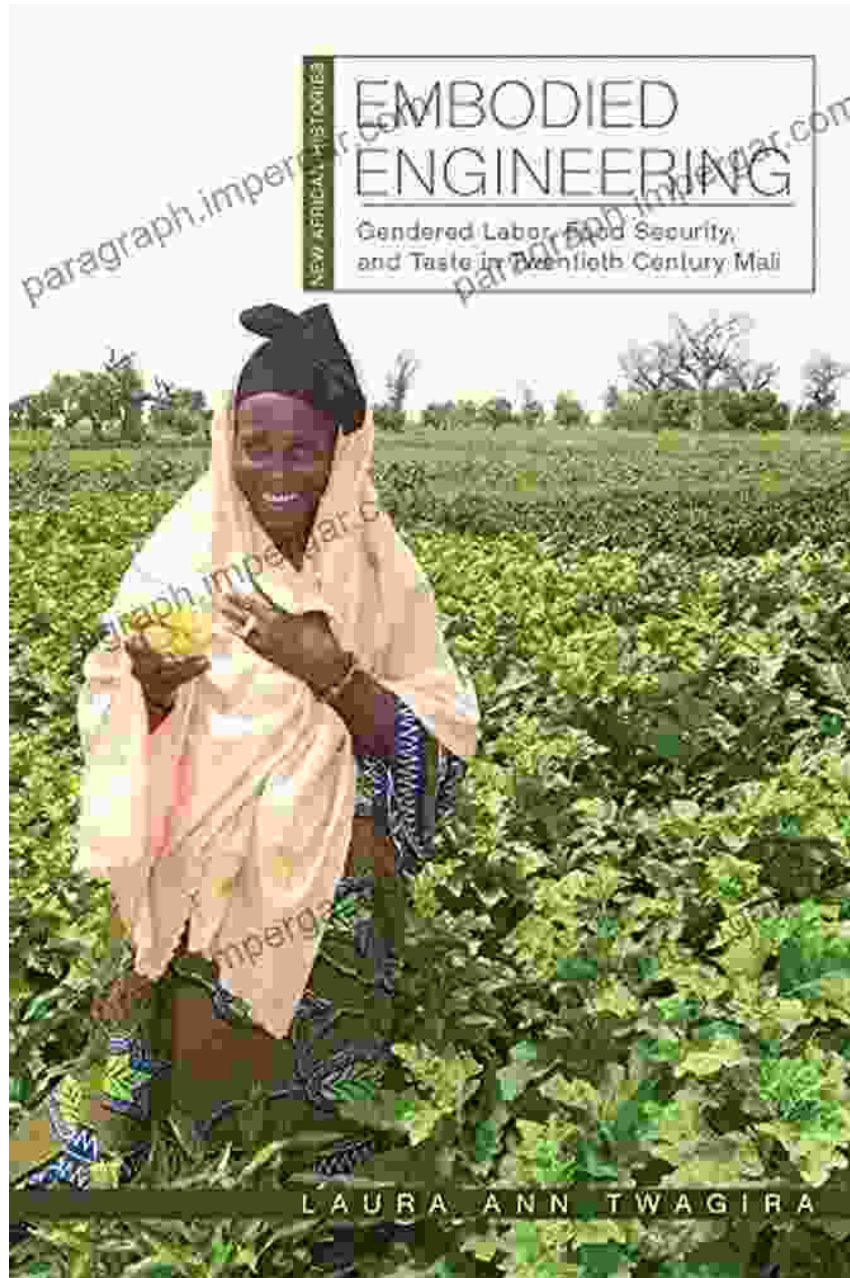


# Gendered Labor, Food Security, and Taste in Twentieth Century Mali: New African Voices



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### **Gendered Labor and Food Production**

Women's labor was essential to the production of food in twentieth-century Mali. They were responsible for planting, weeding, harvesting, and processing crops. They also raised livestock and gathered wild foods. In addition to their agricultural work, women were also responsible for cooking, cleaning, and childcare. This unpaid labor was essential to the survival of Malian families and communities.

## **Food Security and Gender**

Food security is the state of having reliable access to enough food to meet the needs of a population. In twentieth-century Mali, food security was a major challenge. The country was often hit by droughts and other natural disasters, which made it difficult to produce enough food to feed the population. Women were disproportionately affected by food insecurity, as they were often responsible for feeding their families.

## **Taste and Gender**

Food preferences and consumption patterns are shaped by a variety of factors, including gender, class, and ethnicity. In twentieth-century Mali, women's food preferences were often different from those of men. Women were more likely to prefer starchy foods, such as rice and millet, while men were more likely to prefer meat and dairy products. These differences in food preferences were due to a variety of factors, including the different roles that men and women played in society.

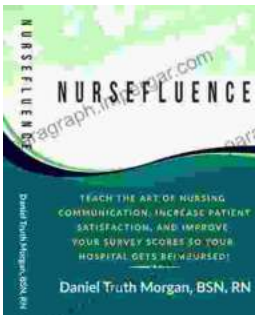
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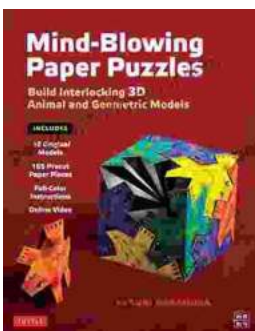


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