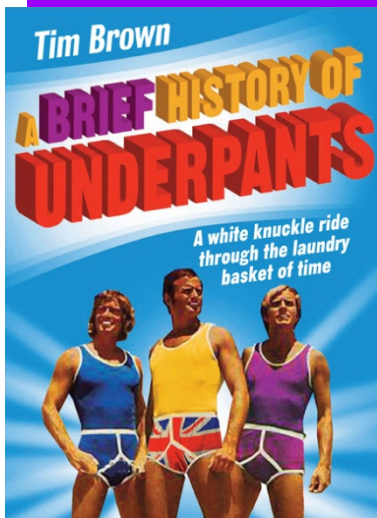


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A BRIEF HISTORY OF UNDERPANTS

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Forget everything you've been told, HISTORY IS PANTS. It's also long johns, bras, thongs, corsets, vests and all those other things you shouldn't mention in polite company.

Fire, the bow and arrow, gunpowder and steam-power – all have been credited with altering the course of history, but what of mankind's eternal quest for comfortable, practical undergarments that are not too fussy and can be worn with confidence in humid weather? Here for the first time is the shocking tale of how civilisation and the quest for suitable underwear have been joined at the hip (and all sorts of other places).

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