

An Indian Summer; James Cameron; Penguin Books India, 1987; 1987; 9780140095692

â€œIn *Indian Summer*, Alex von Tunzelmann pays particular attention to how negotiations were shaped by an interplay of personalities. . . . her account, unlike those of some of her fellow British historians, isn't filtered by nostalgia.â€
â€œA brilliantly vivid page-turner that captures the backstage dramas raging on the eve of India's independence.â€
â€”Tina Brown, *Irresistible* . . .
â€œIndian Summer achieves something both simpler and rarer, placing the behavior and feelings of a few key players at the center of a tumultuous moment in history.â€
â€”The New York Times Book Review. â€œStirring . . . brisk . . . absorbingly readable.â€
â€”Fortune. "Indian Summer is a true tour de force: absorbing in its detail and masterly in the broad sweep of its canvas.â€
Indian summer, period of dry, unseasonably warm weather in late October or November in the central and eastern United States. The term originated in New England and probably arose from the Indians' practice of gathering winter stores at this time. This autumn warm period also occurs in Europe.
Encyclopaedia Britannica's editors oversee subject areas in which they have extensive knowledge, whether from years of experience gained by working on that content or via study for an advanced degree. See Article History. Alternative Titles: All-hallown summer, Old Wives' summer. Indian summer , period of dry, unseasonably warm weather in late October or November in the central and eastern United States. Indian summer is a period of unusually warm and dry weather. It happens in autumn in the Northern Hemisphere. The United States National Weather Service describes Indian summer as weather conditions which are sunny and clear with higher than usual temperatures. That occurs between late September and the middle of November. It is not known where the term came from. It may have come from regions inhabited by Native Americans (who used to be called Indians), or because the Native Americans first *Indian Summer* is an 1886 novel by William Dean Howells. Though it was published after *The Rise of Silas Lapham*, it was written before *The Rise of Silas Lapham*. The setting for this novel was inspired by a trip Howells had recently taken with his family to Europe. Howells was a realist writer who wanted his characters to be honest, ordinary people, as he might find in his strata of society, flawed and well-meaning, good-hearted and self-effacing, bound by the conventions and the restrictions of their world.
Find out all about Indian Summer and its significance from *The Old Farmer's Almanac*.
As well as being warm, the atmosphere during Indian summer is hazy or smoky, there is no wind, the barometer is standing high, and the nights are clear and chilly. A moving, cool, shallow polar air mass is converting into a deep, warm, stagnant anticyclone (high pressure) system, which has the effect of causing the haze and large swing in temperature between day and night.