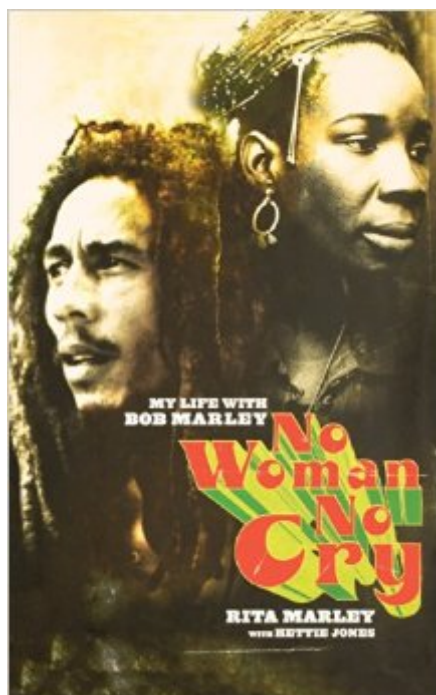


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No Woman No Cry: My Life With Bob Marley



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Bob Marley was one of the greatest musicians of our time. While much has been written about him, here is a unique, intimate, and honest portrayal written by his wife Rita, who talks about their struggles--both before and during his rise to fame as well as their dreams, fears, and ultimately, her husband's losing battle with cancer while at the height of his career. This stirring honest, no-holds-barred account of life with Bob Marley reveals a different, deeper side of the beloved musician that will be sure to strike a chord with his legions of faithful fans.

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Aptly titled *No Woman No Cry*, this collection of memories from Rita Marley, wife of international reggae superstar Bob Marley, is a heartfelt account of her life with Bob. When she should have been crying, and perhaps filing for divorce, Rita took the lyrics to heart: "No woman no cry/ No woman no cry/Little darlin' don't shed no tears..." and she didn't. With this biography, Rita Marley takes readers on an extraordinary journey from humble beginnings in Trench Town, Jamaica to worldwide stardom. She talks about how she went from Alfarita Constantia Anderson, an ambitious little girl with dreams of becoming the next Diana Ross, to Rita Marley, a singer, mother and wife of a reggae music icon. Growing up in a third world ghetto full of killers, thieves and prostitutes is no small feat. Rita shares some of her innermost thoughts, including how she was essentially abandoned by her mother and raised by her father, who later immigrated to England. Her mother figure was her beloved Auntie who was there for her through thick and thin. Rita also reveals how

she had to deal with black-on-black discrimination because of her dark complexion. With a musical background (her father played the tenor sax, her aunt sang in the choir and her uncle was a well-known baritone), Rita was destined to sing. At the age of ten she won her first radio competition. She and her cousin Dream would later put on shows for the community. But at age eighteen, Rita finds herself unwed and pregnant, a cardinal sin in Aunty's house, but she manages. A year later she meets Robert "Robbie" Nesta Marley of the Wailers, a shy guitarist with whom she falls in love and marries.

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