

# Washington Irving

## RIP VAN WINKLE

### THE LEGEND OF SLEEPY HOLLOW & THE PRIDE OF THE VILLAGE

Read by **Adam Sims**

Kindly Rip Van Winkle, loved by all, lives a quiet existence in a small village at the foot of the Catskill Mountains. One day, travelling in the mountains, he somehow falls asleep; upon waking, he finds that twenty years have passed!

For adults and children alike, *Rip Van Winkle* paints a charming picture of rural life before and after the American War of Independence. It is counted among the earliest examples of American fiction.

The collection also contains *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*, Irving's story about the headless horseman, which explores the nature of legend, and *The Pride of the Village*, a mythic tale of love and loss.



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