

Mark Twain
THE ADVENTURES OF TOM SAWYER

Read by **Garrick Hagon**

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| 1 | Tom whitewashes the fence | 10:32 |
| 2 | Tom meets Huckleberry Finn | 7:49 |
| 3 | In the graveyard | 10:42 |
| 4 | The murder is discovered | 7:25 |
| 5 | The boys run away to be pirates | 8:32 |
| 6 | The next morning | 7:20 |
| 7 | Tom sneaks home | 11:18 |
| 8 | The pirates attend their own funeral | 7:53 |
| 9 | Becky spurns Tom's love | 7:28 |
| 10 | Tom saves Becky from the cane | 3:00 |
| 11 | The murder trial | 9:27 |
| 12 | The haunted house | 12:04 |
| 13 | Injun Joe | 2:56 |
| 14 | Becky's picnic | 5:39 |
| 15 | Huck saves the Widow Douglas | 8:55 |
| 16 | Where are Tom and Becky? | 3:31 |
| 17 | Lost in the caves | 12:21 |
| 18 | Tom and Becky are found | 5:31 |
| 19 | Tom and Huck find the treasure at last | 10:51 |
| 20 | The Widow Douglas adopts Huck | 5:02 |

Total time: 2:38:26

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Tom Sawyer is a young lad who loves adventure. He lives with his Aunt Polly and brother Sid in a small town on the banks of the Mississippi river and try as he will he finds it impossible to keep out of trouble. Life is so interesting, and there is so much to investigate, that 'bunking off' from school is inevitable; as is his deep friendship with Huck Finn who is the town's vagabond, shunned by all respectable grown-ups.

For someone of such tender years Tom understands human nature. He knows, for example, how to lure his friends into thinking that whitewashing a fence is the greatest fun on earth, and make them willing to pay for the privilege. On another occasion, he calculates exactly when it is time to raise the morale of his pirate gang of truants by coming up with a devastating plan.

Like all great actors, he is a master of timing, making a grand entrance at his own funeral at the most dramatic moment of the service, or arriving in the nick of time at the Widow Douglas's party with the gold

that he and Huck have just dug up.

Tom's swashbuckling, calculating and optimistic nature nevertheless has a vulnerable side, and this is his love for Becky Thatcher. The course of true love never runs smooth, and this was never so true as in Tom's case; he even nearly leads her to her death by getting them both lost in the caves. However, all ends well. Injun Joe, the villain, dies and the rest of the rich array of characters live on to appear again in Mark Twain's masterpiece, **Huckleberry Finn**.*

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The Adventures of Tom Sawyer is the story of a boy's adventures growing up in a small town on the banks of the Mississippi river over a hundred years ago. The cheerful, adventurous hero plays truant to form a pirate band and, together with his best friend, Huckleberry Finn, finds fun and excitement, and buried treasure, along the shores of the great river.



Garrick Hagon has appeared in many films including *Batman*, *Star Wars*, *Cry Freedom*, *Anthony and Cleopatra* and *Fatherland*. His television credits include *A Perfect Spy*, *The Nightmare Years*, *Henry V*, *The Chief* and *Love Hurts*. On London's West End he played Chris Keller in *All My Sons*. He also reads *Huckleberry Finn*, *The Sea-Wolf*, *Classic American Poetry* and *The Call of the Wild* and for Naxos AudioBooks.

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