

**The Forsyte Chronicles, Volume 1:  
The Forsyte Saga**  
By John Galsworthy  
Unabridged  
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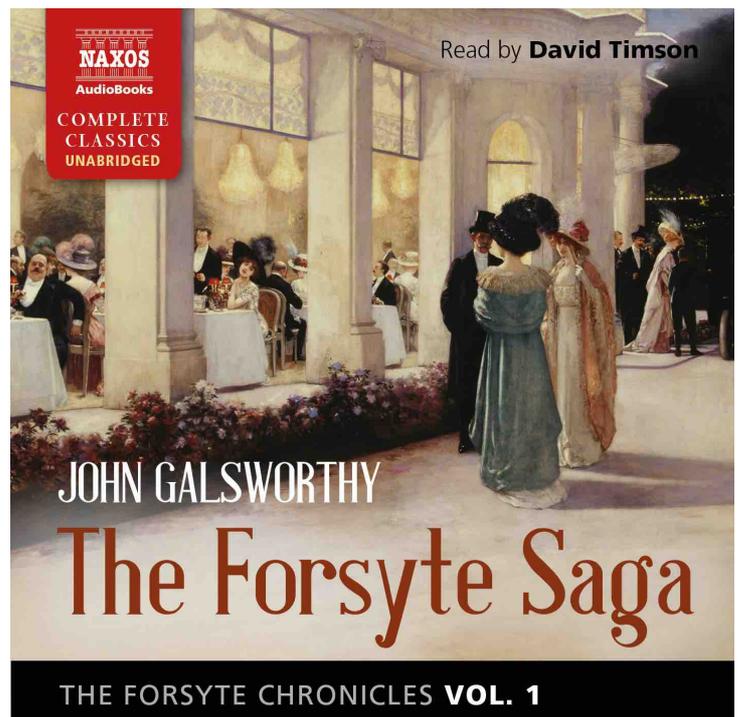
John Galsworthy's magnificent trilogy of power and passion chronicles the wealthy Forsyte family. As the disintegrating values of the Victorian era progress to World War I and the political uncertainty of the 1930s, the family's material and emotional struggles are set within the dwindling status of the affluent middle-classes. Infused with warmth, compassion and engaging characters, the complete *Chronicles* are divided into three volumes, containing nine books and three interludes in total.

In Volume 1, *The Forsyte Saga*, Soames Forsyte - the 'man of property' - is desperate to uphold values and conventions that are becoming out of step with the time. His most prized possession is his strikingly beautiful wife Irene, but she is profoundly unhappy; the bitterness only builds, and the events that follow are set to ripple through the next generation of Forsytes.

*The Forsyte Saga* contains Book 1: *The Man of Property*, Interlude: *Indian Summer of a Forsyte*, Book 2: *In Chancery*, Interlude: *Awakening* and Book 3: *To Let*.

### SALES AND MARKETING POINTS

- *The Forsyte Chronicles* are the best-known works by the Nobel Prize-winning English author John Galsworthy.
- *The Forsyte Saga* was listed as number 123 on the BBC's 'The Big Read', a poll of the UK's 'best-loved novel'.
- There have been various adaptations of *The Forsyte Saga*, including the very popular 2003 BBC serial starring Damian Lewis and Gina McKee.



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