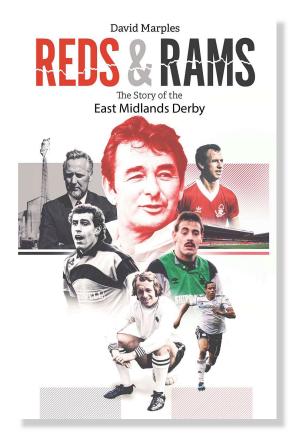


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A Story of the East Midlands Derby

By David Marples

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