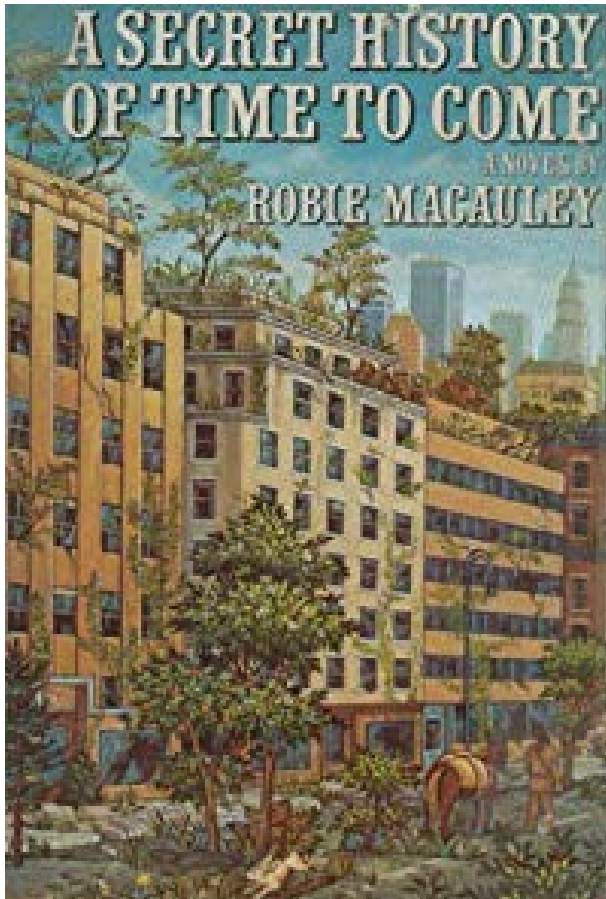


A Secret History of Time to Come



Pages:	303
Genre:	Science Fiction
Language	English
Author:	Robie MacAuley
ISBN10:	0394501667
Goodreads Rating:	3.08
Published:	October 1st 1979 by Alfred A. Knopf
ISBN13:	9780394501666

[A Secret History of Time to Come.pdf](#)

[A Secret History of Time to Come.epub](#)

The time is perhaps centuries from now. No one keeps track of years anymore.

The place is the USA, tho it no longer has a name. Kincaid, a man dressed in animal skins, is pushing his way thru an end dense forest. He carries a worn piece of paper covered with a net of colored lines, lines that seem to relate in some way to the land & crumbling ruins glimpsed thru the undergrowth. The paper is headed "ESSO Road Map: North Central States". Driven by a will he barely understands, he's searching for place marked on the paper far to the west & a face he's seen in a dream. Striking across the wasteland, he discovers what's left of society; the tiny clusters of people huddling together in villages, some deformed by generations of isolation, oppressed by poverty, some beginning to taste a new prosperity, puzzling over objects salvaged from the treacherous ruin's of the forefather's dwellings--machines, books, guns--striving again for a richer life. But across the almost empty land, across widely scattered settlements & lonely rivers, there hangs a persistant echo of war, pain & brutality. Suddenly, quiet places are scenes of terror--bands of horsemen ride north out of the unknown, wielding rifles & whips, raiding, kidnapping & killing, herding people like animals back to their capitol in the south. Kinkaid's caught up in their violence, as he sets out to rescue a girl from the very heart of the slaving culture.