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Sommario/riassunto

In the late 1960s, internationally renowned activist Fannie Lou Hamer purchased 40 acres of land in the Mississippi Delta, launching the Freedom Farms Cooperative (FFC). A community-based rural & economic development project, FFC would grow to over 600 acres, offering a means for local sharecroppers, tenant farmers, & domestic workers to pursue community wellness, self-reliance, & political resistance. Life on the cooperative farm presented an alternative to the second wave of northern migration by African Americans - an opportunity to stay in the South, live off the land, & create a healthy community based upon building an alternative food system as a cooperative & collective effort. 'Freedom Farmers' expands the historical narrative of the black freedom struggle to embrace the work, roles, & contributions of southern black farmers & the organizations they formed. This book reveals agriculture as a site of resistance and provides a historical foundation that adds meaning and context to current conversations around the resurgence of food justice/sovereignty movements in urban spaces like Detroit, Chicago, Milwaukee, New York City, and New Orleans.
