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The World Of Vikings



Synopsis

MGM's hit show Vikings on the History Channel has drawn millions of viewers into the fascinating and bloody world of legendary Norse hero Ragnar Lothbrok, who led Viking warriors to the British Isles and France. Covering the first three seasons of the series, this official companion book delves into the real history as well as the behind-the-scenes stories. Viking historian Justin Pollard explains shipbuilding and navigation, Norse culture and religion, and the first encounters between Viking warriors and the kings of England and France. Interviews with cast and crew reveal the process of dramatizing this gripping story, from reviving the Old Norse language to choreographing battle scenes and building ancient temples for human sacrifice. This spectacular ebook is a must for fans of the show and history buffs alike.

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Customer Reviews

Let's see if I can do this without going on one of my rants. Descending from Irish & Norwegian immigrants I grew up on the Hollywood horse "puckey of the sixties. I find it very refreshing to see filmmakers finally catch up to actual historical fact. Were the people of Scandinavia dirty, filthy, savagely crazed butchers who only burned, raped & pillaged? The History Channel website offers

an interesting primer as an answer (see below) to many of these popular myths. Most were farmers, artisans, traders, merchants & renowned boat builders. As to this hardcover companion, it offers a wonderfully concise look at the first three seasons of Vikings. It's a pretty even blend of informative text & striking photography.

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