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The Mad Monk Of Gidleigh (Last Templar Mysteries 14) 2013-02-27

after a young woman tragically dies it is up to sir baldwin and simon puttock to unravel the mystery surrounding her suspicious death michael jecks brings medieval england to life in the fourteenth mystery of his knights templar series featuring the ever popular sir baldwin de furnshill and bailiff simon puttock perfect for fans of bernard cornwell and susanna gregory the most wickedly plotted medieval mystery novels the times as the winter of 1323 descends upon a windswept chapel on the edge of dartmoor who could blame the young priest father mark for seeking affection from mary the miller s daughter but when mary and her unborn child are found dead mark is the obvious suspect called to investigate sir baldwin de furnshill and his friend bailiff simon puttock soon begin to have their doubts could one of mary s many admirers have murdered her in a fit of jealousy or might it be someone even closer to home by the time their search is over life for baldwin and simon and their families will never be quite the same again what readers are saying about the mad monk of gidleigh there is excellent attention to period detail and a very strong sense of time and place all the characters are fully dimensional and well drawn the story is very well plotted just when i thought i knew where it was going it turned yet another fantastic book from michael jecks the stories are really well crafted

The Mad Monk of Gidleigh 2004

as the winter of 1323 descends on dartmoor life is bleak for the young priest in his isolated chapel so who could blame him for accepting companionship when it is offered by the local miller s daughter mary but when mary and her unborn child are found murdered it is obvious where the villagers will point the finger of blame and when the priest flees the village of gidleigh it seems to confirm his guilt investigators baldwin furnshill keeper of the king s peace and bailiff simon puttock soon begin to have their doubts as it seems that mary was far from the simple girl she seemed in their search for the truth baldwin and simon unwittingly put themselves in the greatest danger they have ever faced

The Last Templar Collection: Volume 1 2015-02-12

escape into the evocative medieval world of sir baldwin de furnshill and his friend bailiff simon puttock as you join them on the suspenseful trail of three murder mysteries the knights templar collection brings together three engrossing novels in the widely acclaimed and much loved knights templar series by michael jecks perfect for fans of c j sansom and bernard cornwell the mad monk of gidleigh book 14 as the winter of 1323 descends on dartmoor who could blame the young priest father mark for seeking affection from the miller s daughter mary but when mary and her unborn child are found dead mark is the obvious suspect called to investigate sir

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baldwin de furnshill and his friend bailiff simon puttock soon begin to have their doubts and by the time their search is over life will never be quite the same again the templar s penance book 15 it is the summer of 1323 and sir baldwin de furnshill and bailiff simon puttock have been granted leave to go on pilgrimage when a beautiful girl is found murdered on a hillside en route to santiago de compostela the friends are among the first on the scene as baldwin and simon lend their skills to the inquiry the unexpected appearance of a face from baldwin s past could threaten the investigation as well as the future of baldwin himself the outlaws of ennor book 16 on return from pilgrimage sir baldwin de furnshill and bailiff simon puttock s ship is attacked by pirates and simon sees baldwin washed overboard on the island of ennor simon must investigate the murder of the island s hated tax collector while unbeknownst to his friend baldwin begins to unpick the same murder on the other side of the island can the pair uncover the truth in time to prevent certain massacre what readers are saying about the knights templar mysteries michael jecks is one of the best medieval writers of our times his two main characters come alive in the imagination when you re reading them the characters are richly drawn and weave in and out of the events of the early 14th century with michael jecks showing great knowledge of the times good introduction to the series

The Last Templar Collection: Volume 2 2019-02-07

the knights templar collection volume 2 brings together three more of michael jecks most popular knights templar mysteries join sir baldwin de furnshill and baliff simon puttock as they journey from england to france and back again in three riveting tales of murder and intrigue the templar the queen her lover queen isabella wife to edward ii of england has been dispatched to france in an attempt to bring about peace between the two countries and sir baldwin de furnshill must accompany her with his friend simon puttock but the day after their arrival a servant is found murdered with baldwin s dagger lying next to the body as baldwin struggles to prove his innocence the killer strikes again with so many english enemies gathering in paris will he be able to expose the culprit in time to protect the diplomats and their mission the prophecy of death it s 1325 and in england turmoil is rife but could the prophecy of st thomas s holy oil be the key to saving the ill fated reign of king edward ii it is believed the one anointed with it will be a lion among men he will conquer france unite christendom and throw the heathens from the holy land meanwhile sir baldwin de furnshill keeper of the king s peace and his friend simon puttock return from france with urgent messages for the king himself soon they find themselves at the centre of a deadly court intrigue involving the most powerful and ruthless men in the country who will stop at nothing not even murder to achieve their ambitions the king of thieves 1325 sir baldwin de furnshill and his friend simon puttock are in france guarding king edward s son on his perilous journey to meet the french king charles iv but they are unaware that king edward s wife isabella is disaffected and plotting her revenge what first appears a simple diplomatic mission is fast becoming lethally dangerous meanwhile two murders in paris are causing alarm is there a connection between the killings and the shadowy king of thieves simon and baldwin know the future of the english crown is at risk and in order to protect it they must put their own lives in jeopardy what readers are saying about the knights templar mysteries full of twists and turns right up until the end superb with a diverse and fantastic cast of characters mixing historical fact with the author s

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creations and they blend beautifully jecks continues to astonish me in adherence to historical accuracy but also in his ability to write a tale so well

The Last Templar 2009-10-13

the knights templar they had all joined taking three vows poverty chastity and obedience for they were monks warrior monks dedicated to the protection of pilgrims in the holy land until stories spread by an avaricious king who wanted their wealth for his own destroyed the order there was one knight however who escaped the stake vowing justice as he watched his innocent brothers die in the service of the lord simon puttock has not been bailiff of lydford castle long in this year of 1316 when he is called to a nearby village to examine a burned out cottage and the dead body within but it is the newly arrived knight sir baldwin furnshill who discerns the deceased was no victim of a tragic mishap he was in fact murdered prior to the blaze simon would be well served by accepting further assistance from this astute though haunted and secretive stranger for a second fatal burning indicates that some harsh evil has invaded this once peaceful place and its hunger has yet to be sated

The Templar's Penance (Last Templar Mysteries 15) 2014-02-27

a pilgrimage across europe throws up more than was bargained for the fascinating fifteenth mystery in michael jecks knights templar series featuring the much loved characters sir baldwin de furnshill and simon puttock perfect for fans of george r r martin and paul doherty brisk medieval whodunnit literary review it is the summer of 1323 and sir baldwin de furnshill and bailiff simon puttock have been granted leave to go on pilgrimage together they travel across europe to santiago de compostela but danger is never far away and when a beautiful girl is found murdered on a hillside the friends are among the first on the scene baldwin and simon lend their investigative skills to the inquiry headed by the local pesquisidore but the unexpected appearance of a face from baldwin s past could threaten the investigation as well as the future of baldwin himself what readers are saying about the templar s penance set in england and overseas this is a great read from the master of medieval mystery these books are really well researched and give you a taste of life in the middle ages great read it reads very well the characters the places and situations all hold one s interest five stars

The Templar, the Queen and Her Lover (Last Templar Mysteries 24) 2014-02-27

accused of a crime he didn't commit will sir baldwin be able to clear his name bloody revenge on the streets of paris threaten sir baldwin de furnshill s royal mission in the templar the queen and her lover the twenty fourth novel in michael jecks brilliant medieval crime series perfect for fans of bernard cornwell and paul doherty a gem of historical storytelling northern echo queen isabella wife to edward

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ii of england has been dispatched to france in an attempt to bring about peace between the two countries and sir baldwin de furnshill must accompany her with his friend simon puttock but the day after their arrival a servant is found murdered with baldwin s dagger lying next to the body as baldwin struggles to prove his innocence the killer strikes again with so many english enemies gathering in paris will he be able to expose the culprit in time to protect the diplomats and their mission what readers are saying about the templar the queen and her lover a superbly written book with a diverse and fascinating cast of characters mixing historical fact with the author s creations and they blend beautifully you can almost smell the damp and decay of the dungeon walls of chateau gailliard pacey read which pulls the threads of other stories together and ties them nicely up 10 10 a pacey tale with all the glorious details of early 14th century life set out with such loving knowledge it was a pleasure to read as ever everything ties up well and credibly and there s always room for a few surprises and twists at the end quality

The Michael Jecks Compendium (A Free Sampler) 2015-02-12

the definitive digital guide to michael jecks s widely praised knights templar series whether you re a long standing fan of the medieval knights templar adventures or yet to try this captivating historical series this is the definitive guide you need meet sir baldwin de furnshill keeper of the kings peace and his friend simon puttock and discover this dazzling introduction to fifteen titles in the series also contains an exclusive foreword from the author

The Merchant's Partner 2009-10-13

the knights templar they had all joined taking three vows poverty chastity and obedience for they were monks warrior monks dedicated to the protection of pilgrims in the holy land until stories spread by anavaricious king who wanted their wealth for his own destroyed the order there was one knight however who escaped the stake vowing justice as he watched his innocent brothers die a dastardly deed when the mutilated body of midwife and healer agatha kyteler is discovered in a hedge one frozen wintry morning it at first appears the lack of clues will render the crime unsolvable until a frightened local youth inexplicably flees his village and a hue and cry is raised sir baldwin furnshill once a knight templar however has doubts about the boy s guilt and enlists friend and bailiff of lydford castle simon puttock in the hunt for a murderer but what they seek lies somewhere on the darker side of the village of wefford beneath layers of jealousy suspicion and hatred and the buried truth could prove fatal to anyone who disturbs it

The Outlaws of Ennor (Last Templar Mysteries 16) 2014-02-27

separated but working on the same mystery what will befall sir baldwin and simon puttock after a devastating shipwreck the brooding scilly isles provide the backdrop to michael jecks absorbing sixteenth mystery the outlaws of ennor featuring the ever popular sir baldwin de furnshill and bailiff simon puttock perfect for fans of susanna gregory and c j sansom tremendously successful medieval mystery series sunday independent on the return from their pilgrimage to santiago de compostela in the summer of 1323 sir baldwin de furnshill and bailiff simon puttock s ship is attacked by pirates they fight their attackers off but then there are too few shipmen when a terrible storm strikes as the ship breaks up simon sees baldwin washed overboard distraught simon makes his way to shore but on the island of ennor he must put aside his fears and investigate the murder of robert the island s hated tax collector at the behest of master of the castle ranulph de blancminster meanwhile washed up on the other side of the island baldwin begins his own investigation of the same murder as the friends dig deeper they become embroiled in a bitter rivalry between the two island communities can they uncover the truth in time to prevent certain massacre what readers are saying about the outlaws of ennor michael s books are full of intrigue and mystery and they are particularly well researched what a great book this was michael jecks is a great writer and in this genre i don t think you will find anyone better five stars

The King Of Thieves (Last Templar Mysteries 26) 2014-02-27

on a diplomatic mission in france sir baldwin and simon encounter more than they bargained for baldwin and simon uncover a deadly assassination plot in the king of thieves a gripping mystery in michael jecks hugely popular medieval crime series perfect for fans of paul doherty and susanna gregory complicated well populated written with cross cutting gusto and accompanied by scholarly extras ellery queen magazine 1325 sir baldwin de furnshill and his friend simon puttock are in france guarding king edward s son on his perilous journey to meet the french king charles iv but they are unaware that king edward s wife isabella is disaffected and plotting her revenge what first appears a simple diplomatic mission is fast becoming lethally dangerous meanwhile two murders in paris are causing alarm is there a connection between the killings and the shadowy king of thieves simon and baldwin know the future of the english crown is at risk and in order to protect it they must put their own lives in jeopardy what readers are saying about the king of thieves fast pace intricate plot well drawn characters and good period feel make this a must for all fans of this genre i cannot praise michael jecks writing highly enough his books always keep me guessing right to the end fantastic read five stars

The Tolls of Death (Last Templar Mysteries 17) 2014-02-27

detained in a cornish village can sir baldwin and simon discover who is behind a series of devastating attacks sir baldwin de furnshill and bailiff simon puttock s seventeenth mystery the toll of death is a compelling tale of evil and darkness from much loved medieval adventure writer michael jecks perfect for fans of bernard cornwell and ellis peters if you care for a well researched visit to medieval england don t pass this series historical novels review summer 1323 in the cornish village of cardinham a penniless young woman is found hanged alongside the dead bodies of her children passing through the village on the final leg of their long journey home friends sir baldwin de furnshill and bailiff simon puttock are detained and tasked with leading the investigation simon and baldwin quickly discover the young woman s death is not an isolated incident and as the escape of a traitor threatens to embroil the country in a new civil war they must look beyond friendships and family loyalties to find an evil killer and secure the safety of cardinham and all who dwell there what readers are saying about the tolls of death a gripping story of murder and suspense thoroughly recommend this for anyone who is interested in medieval times the background as always is authentic and the fictional characters so believable five stars

The Chapel of Bones (Last Templar Mysteries 18) 2014-02-27

as sir baldwin and simon puttock uncover the mysteries surrounding the church they risk making more enemies than friends the chapel of bones is the eighteenth mystery in michael jecks riveting knights templar medieval series featuring sir baldwin de furnshill and simon puttock perfect for fans of susanna gregory and paul doherty this fascinating portrayal of medieval life and the corruption of the church will not disappoint with convincing characters whose treacherous acts perfectly combine with a devilishly masterful plot jecks transports readers back to this wicked world with ease the good book guide in 1283 exeter cathedral close was the scene of a vicious ambush now forty years on more deaths are occurring is the first an accident the second is surely not and the killer will not be easy to catch the victim henry potell was feared by many and held secrets some would wish to keep hidden at any cost for investigators sir baldwin de furnshill keeper of the king s peace and his friend bailiff simon puttock events become increasingly mysterious who among henry potell s companions would have wanted him dead the key to the mystery lies in the ominous chapel of bones built in reparation for a terrible murder long ago what readers are saying about the chapel of bones an engrossing and compelling read rich in ambiance colour and historical detail another tightly plotted episode in the templar series jecks is a master michael jecks hits the spot with an intriguing mystery that you can t put down

The Prophecy of Death (Last Templar Mysteries 25) 2014-02-27

an ancient prophecy an urgent message a deadly plot in the twenty fifth instalment of michael jecks knights templar mysteries sir baldwin de furnshill and simon puttock find themselves surrounded by more court intrigue and danger perfect for fans of c j sansom and bernard cornwell a page turning masterpiece that will keep the reader totally gripped until the very last page historical novels review it s 1325 and in england turmoil is rife but could the prophecy of st thomas s holy oil be the key to saving the ill fated reign of king edward ii it is believed the one anointed with it will be a lion among men he will conquer france unite christendom and throw the heathens from the holy land meanwhile sir baldwin de furnshill keeper of the king s peace and his friend simon puttock return from france with urgent messages for the king himself soon they find themselves at the centre of a deadly court intrigue involving the most powerful and ruthless men in the country who will stop at nothing not least murder to achieve their ambitions what readers are saying about the prophecy of death apart from the immense amount of history i have learned along the way one gets very affectionate about the main characters almost like family michael jecks is one of the best medieval writers of our times his two main characters come alive in the imagination when you re reading them michael jecks has done it again a wonderful book

The Bishop Must Die (The Last Templar Mysteries 28) 2014-02-27

working against the clock can sir baldwin and simon hope to prevent a murder as the threat of war hangs over england sir baldwin and bailiff puttock must work desperately to prevent murder in michael jecks latest thrilling mystery in his hugely popular knights templar series perfect for fans of c j sansom and susanna gregory each page is densely packed with cuckolding coarseness lewdness lechery gore galore but also with nobility a heady mix north devon journal 1326 king edward ii s estranged wife queen isabella shames him by refusing to return from france to england when the king hears she has betrothed their son to the daughter of the french count of hainault all england fears invasion by a hainault army the king s knights including sir baldwin de furnshill are commanded to london to protect the realm meanwhile bishop stapledon the treasurer of england is under severe threat but from whom he has made many enemies in his long political life and sir baldwin and his friend simon puttock must do all they can to find the would be assassin before he can strike what readers are saying about the bishop must die the characters are richly drawn and weave in and out of the events of the early 14th century with michael jecks showing great knowledge of the times jecks always brings his chosen era to life another masterpiece from one of my favourite authors

The Malice of Unnatural Death (Last Templar Mysteries 22) 2014-02-27

a deadly hunt for a dangerous secret and a ruthless killer the twenty second novel in michael jecks knights templar mysteries is a riveting tale of murder and intrigue in the king s court perfect for fans of george r r martin andellis peters another rip roaring medieval intrigue terrific nottingham evening post 1324 and the english kingdom is in uproar roger mortimer once the king s most able commander and now his most implacable hated enemy is plotting the king s assassination and mortimer is not the only person with murder in mind when the bodies of a local craftsman and the king s messenger are found in the streets of exeter sir baldwin de furnhill and his friend simon puttock are implored to find the person responsible the deceased messenger was carrying a dangerous secret that could prove fatal in the wrong hands baldwin and simon must find the murderer before he can strike again what readers are saying about the malice of unnatural death one of the best in the series five stars what great stories michael jecks writes can t get enough of them thoroughly engrossing

The Death Ship of Dartmouth (Last Templar Mysteries 21) 2014-02-27

a gang of ruthless pirates and the prospect of civil war threaten medieval britain sir baldwin de furnhill and bailiff simon puttock michael jeck s savvy sleuths are on the case again in the death ship of dartmouth another compelling well crafted tale in the knights templar series perfect for fans of ellis peters and bernard cornwell autumn 1324 when a man is found dead in the middle of a dartmouth road many assume his demise to be the result of a drunken accident meanwhile a ship is found ravaged by pirates out at sea the crew killed or captured could this be the beginning of a new onslaught or something even more sinister sir baldwin de furnhill has been told of spies and messengers being sent to the great traitor roger mortimer in france if this is true then civil war in england is surely imminent together with his friend simon puttock baldwin is tasked by the most powerful men in the kingdom with uncovering the truth fail and they will be executed succeed and others may be ready to silence them for ever what readers are saying about the death ship of dartmouth michael s books are full of intrigue and mystery and they are particularly well researched michael jecks has got to be my number one author i just can t get enough of his books if you like a medieval whodunnit this is the writer for you one of the finest entries in a consistently outstanding series five stars

No Law in the Land (Last Templar Mysteries 27) 2014-02-27

country or family which will sir baldwin and simon choose when simon s daughter becomes embroiled in the plans of a group of outlaws he and sir baldwin take matters into their own hands in the thrilling twenty seventh instalment of michael jecks knights templar
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mysteries perfect for fans of george r r martin and bernard cornwell boasts an exciting twisting plot publishers weekly king edward ii is furious when he learns that his wife queen isabella has defied him by remaining in france with their son as the unfortunate messengers of this news sir baldwin de furnshill and his friend bailiff simon puttock are dismissed from court returning home to devon they are shocked to discover that outlaws now hold sway in the land when two clerics are found murdered baldwin and simon must investigate but the culprit is a friend of dispenser and the king and in taking the matter further they could be accused of treason so they decide to leave the affair to others until that is simon s own daughter comes under threat and all hell is let loose what readers are saying about no law in the land top crime top adventure great characterisation a thoroughly intriguing tale of menacing threats it is another glorious story from michael jecks jecks weaves a marvellously plotted plausible story in amongst historical fact

The Butcher of St Peter's (Last Templar Mysteries 19) 2014-02-27

a dangerous killer stalks the streets of exeter can sir baldwin and simon puttock hope to catch him the butcher of st peter s is the gripping nineteenth novel in michael jecks popular medieval series the knights templar mysteries featuring sir baldwin de furnshill and simon puttock perfect for fans of ellis peters and george r r martin compellingly brought to life julian stockwin exeter 1323 a strange figure obsessed with children seems intent on entering people s homes at night though many believe him to be harmless a man now lies dead slaughtered for protecting his family and the person responsible must be caught to sir baldwin de furnshill the death is suspicious for the victim had many enemies amid the city s criminal underworld as the country prepares for yet another civil war baldwin faces an impossible task and when two further bodies are uncovered the city shudders at the prospect of a killer still at large what readers are saying about the butcher of st peter s a vivid account of life in medieval devonshire i found myself very involved in the story and ended up reading it in one day because i was so fascinated by the scenes and the people a very clever and masterful bit of writing michael jecks never disappoints his tales keep you guessing right to the end

A Moorland Hanging 2009-10-13

the knights templar they had all joined taking three vows poverty chastity and obedience for they were monks warrior monks dedicated to the protection of pilgrims in the holy land until stories spread by an avaricious king who wanted their wealth for his own destroyed the order there was one knight however who escaped the stake vowing justice as he watched his innocent brothers die a dark justice cold blooded murder has transformed simon puttock s official obligation into something horrid and he will need the able assistance of his friend sir baldwin furnshill to draw a criminal out a former knight templar sir baldwin knows much of duty and servitude and of evil freely indulged in the name of godliness or greed now justice must be served even if their search exposes extortion foul corruption rule by fear and killers willing even eager to shed more blood

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Templar's Acre 2014-01-02

the long awaited prequel to michael jecks bestselling knight templar mystery series

Dispensation of Death (Last Templar Mysteries 23) 2014-02-27

in an age of corruption what will sir baldwin and simon discover in their search for the truth sir baldwin de furnshill and simon puttock must risk their own lives to protect the queen of england in michael jecks cleverly plotted twenty third medieval mystery dispensation of death perfect for fans of c j sansom and susanna gregory memorable characters steadily absorbing period background a commendable achievement kirkus reviews 1325 england is a hotbed of paranoia under the reign of the increasingly unpredictable edward ii and his lover sir hugh le despenser when the queen s lady in waiting is slaughtered and a man s body hideously mutilated is discovered behind the throne king edward demands to be avenged sir baldwin de furnshill is appointed to track down the killer aided by his friend simon puttock but in an age of corruption the knight and bailiff must fight to stay alive and baldwin and simon soon learn that while their failure to find the murderer will carry its own peril uncovering the truth may also be fatal what readers are saying about dispensation of death a colourful and detailed book which transports you back to the middle ages as though they were yesterday always fascinating the descriptions of the historical characters is a true handbook of medieval history thrilling on the edge of your seat stuff hard to put the book down

A Friar's Bloodfeud (Last Templar Mysteries 20) 2014-02-27

can the evil at work ever be stopped the compulsive and evocative twentieth novel in the knights templar series from michael jecks featuring much loved characters sir baldwin de furnshill and simon puttock perfect for fans of c j sansom and george r r martin atmospheric and cleverly plotted observer march 1323 in the rural idyll of iddesleigh a gang of men break into the home of bailiff simon puttock s servant and attack his family when word reaches simon he and sir baldwin de funshill keeper of the king s peace hurry to the home finding it burned to the ground and the bodies from within already buried could this be the result of a tragic accident or is a darker force at work as baldwin and simon attempt to uncover the truth it quickly becomes clear that a terrible evil lurks in the land and that the pain and bloodshed are far from over what readers are saying about a friar s bloodfeud a very good book an interesting story populated with solid and interesting characters a relaxed and finely paced writing style another cracking story from michael jecks and a plot that kept me guessing until the near end and even then i wasn t wholly sure i can t sing michael s praises enough a very clever and masterful bit of writing

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The Abbot's Gibbet 2009-03-17

the knights templar they were warrior monks dedicated to the protection of pilgrims in the holy land until an avaricious king savagely destroyed the order one knight however escaped the stake vowing justice for his murdered brothers a gathering of evil with scores of merchants streaming into devon to participate in the tavistock fair of 1319 a goodly amount of unlawful activity is expected no one however anticipates a murder the guests of abbot robert champeaux former knight templar sir baldwin furnshill and simon puttock bailiff of lydford have been asked by their host to investigate the grisly discovery of a headless corpse by a local butcher hunting a killer in the din and bustle of the fair could prove a daunting task especially with the victim s identity a mystery but sir baldwin and simon are determined to unravel the complex weave of intrigue rage and violence that has brought death to tavistock even if it means courting their own destruction

The Crediton Killings 2013-04-11

crediton is expecting the arrival of the bishop of exeter walter stapledon a band of mercenaries has arrived in the town under their leader sir hector de gorsone rumours abound that they terrorize travellers have no respect even for the cloth and that sir hector has seduced a local maid when simon and baldwin attend the bishop s welcome dinner they are called to learn that the mercenaries have complained of theft and then discover the body of a young woman hidden in a chest the first of the crediton killings

Blood of the Innocents 2016-08-25

the thrilling finale to the vintener trilogy from the master of historical adventure france 1356 ten years have passed since the battle of crecy and the english fighters are still abroad laying siege to cities towns and even small villages meanwhile the prince of wales raids across france to draw king john into a battle for sovereignty berenger fripper having lost everything to the plague is now captain of a company of mercenaries but treachery and deceit dog him when his travels with the company lead him to uzerche and then his path crosses that of prince edward and his men as they embark on their latest chevauchée to bring death and disaster to the king of france s subjects enlisted as vintener under sir john de sully berenger finds himself drawn into a new struggle can the english defeat the much larger french army or will they find themselves finally overcome when their weary feet bring them at last to the field of battle near poitiers

Blood on the Sand 2015-06-04

the siege of calais during the hundred years wars the thrilling second novel in a new series for master of the historical adventure michael jecks perfect for fans of bernard cornwell and conn iggulden calais 1346 berenger fripper and his men are stationed in the ancient port city a city under english control and surrounded by enemies they are here to defend their newly won territory from the french and their allies the genoese enemies are all about them but there is also trouble within someone in the vintaine is leaking vital information to the french jeopardizing not only the safety of the men but also the future of the war and berenger must find out who before it s too late and when the vintaine is attacked at sea and captured by the genoese it looks as though their luck has run out can berenger defeat the enemies that surround him and keep the english victorious

The Oath 2010-07-08

1326 in an england riven with conflict knight and peasant alike find their lives turned upside down by the warring factions of edward ii with his hated favourite hugh le despenser and edward s estranged queen isabella and her lover sir roger mortimer yet even in such times the brutal slaughter of an entire family right down to a babe in arms still has the power to shock three further murders follow and bailiff simon puttock is drawn into a web of intrigue vengeance power and greed as roger mortimer charges him to investigate the killings michael jecks brilliantly evokes the turmoil of fourteenth century england as his well loved characters simon puttock and sir baldwin de furnshill strive to maintain the principles of loyalty and truth

Pilgrim's War 2018-02-08

the first instalment of a thrilling new crusader series in the style of conn iggulden and bernard cornwell france 1096 crowds gather in sens to hear the man known as the hermit speak he talks of a pilgrimage to the city of jerusalem one filled with promise for the christian soldiers who march with him sybille knows the perils of the road ahead but she has no choice her husband is a reckless gambler easily swayed by the hermit s words she must follow her husband and join the great pilgrimage for odo the pilgrimage is all it provides him an opportunity to demonstrate his faith and piety his brother fulk seeks relief from boredom and the restraints of apprenticeship he craves adventure and excitement jeanne and guillemette have been treated badly by the men in their life but this is their chance for redemption and a brighter future but life on the road for two women alone will be perilous on the long road to jerusalem right and wrong love and hate virtue and sins will become blurred each must survive as best they can who will live to reach it and will the sacrifices they must make to get there be worth the price they all must pay what readers are saying about michael jecks a cracking read in the best style of

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conn iggulden and bernard cornwell this will delight existing fans and bring many more to the fold manda scott vivid imagination and gripping prose exactly what i expected from michael jecks anthony riches michael jecks at his very best a breath taking adventure which sweeps the reader directly into the heat passion and horror of the infamous siege michael jecks detailed knowledge of medieval warfare sets this novel ablaze utterly enthralling karen maitland classic jecks and that s as good as it gets susanna gregory compellingly brought to life both bloody reality and glorious courage julian stockwin michael jecks is the master of the medieval whodunit i want more robert low well told and often graphically chilling historical novel society wonderfully descriptive battle sequences a cracking read and a series that historical fiction fans will just love falcata times

King's Gold 2011-05-26

as the year 1326 draws to a close london is in flames king edward ii is a prisoner and the forces of his vengeful queen isabella and her lover sir roger mortimer are in the ascendant the bardi family bankers who have funded the king must look to their future with the queen steering a careful course between rival factions if that is they can keep themselves alive others too find their loyalties torn guarding the deposed king on behalf of mortimer sir baldwin de furnhill and bailiff simon puttock find themselves entangled in a tightening net of conspiracy greed betrayal and murder

Fields of Glory 2014-06-05

a stunning new series from michael jecks perfect for fans of bernard cornwell and conn iggulden the year is 1346 and king edward iii is restless despite earlier victories his army has still not achieved a major breakthrough and the french crown remains intact determined to bring france under english rule and the french army to its knees he has regrouped and planned a new route of attack and on the beaches of normandy his men now mass ready to march through france to victory but the french are nowhere to be seen edward knows that the worst thing he could do would be to take the battle to the french where they will have the advantage and so he sets up camp near a small hill at crecy and waits the battle of crecy will be a decisive turning point in the hundred years wars this is the story of that battle and the men who won it praise for templar s acre a cracking read in the best style of conn iggulden and bernard cornwell this will delight existing fans and bring many more to the fold manda scott vivid imagination and gripping prose anthony riches compellingly brought to life both bloody reality and glorious courage julian stockwin the siege of acre is meticulously observed and bloodily rendered i want more robert low

City of Fiends 2012-06-07

in 1327 england keeper of the king s peace sir baldwin de furnshill and his friend bailiff simon puttock find themselves in search of the missing king edward ii and investigating the murder of a young maid whose killer hides behind the city s gates

The Templar's Penance 2003

sir baldwin furnshill and bailiff simon puttock have been granted leave to go on pilgrimage both seeking solace after the recent traumatic events in gidleigh together they travel across europe to santiago de compostela but as usual danger is never far away a beautiful young girl is found raped and murdered on a hillside baldwin and simon lend their investigative skills to the local enquiry but the unexpected appearance of a face from baldwin s past threatens both the investigation and baldwin s very future

Gumshoes 2006-04-30

the enormous explosion of crime fiction over the last decade means that more people are looking for a good mystery than ever before this dictionary of fictional detectives helps readers learn about the series in which their favorite detectives are featured included are alphabetically arranged entries on roughly 150 fictional detectives which provide information about the works in which the detective appears the locales in which the detective operates the detective s investigative methods and other important information helpful bibliographical citations direct the reader to other interesting works the volume closes with a selected general bibliography various appendices and an extensive index the enormous explosion of crime fiction over the last decade means that more people are looking for a good mystery than ever before many of the most popular mystery books appear in series and these series feature carefully developed detectives

Great British Fictional Detectives 2009-04-21

the first full length study of its type highlighting over 400 british literary detectives many famous through their film and tv adaptations using essays to highlight different types of detectives and focusing on some of the more famous such as sherlock holmes and inspector morse popular crime fiction writer and former president of britain s crime writers association russell james celebrates the role of the detective in british fiction illustrations include original film posters and first edition covers from classic detective fiction future books by russell james in this series will include great british fictional villains and us fictional detectives ~~the mad monk of gidleigh knights templar~~

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The Mammoth Book of Historical Whodunnits Volume 2 2015-02-27

an all new collection of exciting murder mysteries with historical settings this new volume of historical murder and mystery contains over 20 specially commissioned stories ranging in period from ancient rome to the reign of good queen bess it features original stories from such masters as steven saylor peter tremayne philip gooden susanna gregory kate ellis michael jecks edward d hoch and marilyn todd in steven saylor s roman tale poppy and the poisoned cake gordianus the finder feels his latest assignment is suspiciously easy to solve edward d hoch puts a novel twist on the locked room mystery by setting it on a locked ship christopher columbus s in fact in flibbertigibbet paul finch unleashes a deranged serial killer on elizabethan london falstaff s successor sir johan de mandeville turns sleuth in keith taylor s bene t of clergy sister fidelma must solve the mystery of a murdered celtic monk in death of an icon by peter tremayne a pig provides the key to michael jecks s latest sir baldwin mystery cherith baldry turns geoffrey chaucer into a secret agent in her version of the pilgrim s tale anarchy and murderous intent rule when the romans leave the british isles in richard butler s the last legion plus many more tales of dark age murder and mayhem

The Devil's Acolyte 2013-10-10

amidst the myth and folklore of tavistock one tale above others strikes fear into the hearts of the town s inhabitants that of the murders on the abbot s way now in the autumn of 1322 history seems to be repeating itself

The Sticklepath Strangler 2012-12-06

1322 two girls find the skeleton of a 10 year old girl who disappeared 6 years ago baldwin and simon investigate and learn that the villagers have been concealing a serial killer shocking evidence suggests that the killer could be a cannibal perhaps even a sanguisuga a vampire

Contemporary Authors 2002-07

your students and users will find biographical information on approximately 300 modern writers in this volume of contemporary authors

Murder in Retrospect 2005-06-30

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