

# The Shocking True Stories of History's Wickedest Queens: A Treasury by Michael Farquhar



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In his new book, *The Shocking True Stories of History's Wickedest Queens: A Treasury*, Michael Farquhar delves into the lives and crimes of some of the most notorious queens in history. From Catherine de' Medici to Mary, Queen of Scots, these women were known for their ruthlessness, ambition, and cruelty.

Farquhar's book is a gripping account of these women's lives and the impact they had on their countries and the world. He draws on a wealth of

sources to provide a nuanced and detailed portrait of each queen, exploring their motivations and the forces that shaped their actions.

One of the most fascinating aspects of the book is Farquhar's exploration of the ways in which these queens were able to achieve and maintain power in a world dominated by men. He shows how they used their intelligence, cunning, and charisma to outmaneuver their rivals and secure their place on the throne.

Farquhar also examines the ways in which these queens were victims of their own circumstances. Many of them were born into poverty or married into abusive relationships. They were often forced to make difficult choices in order to survive.

*The Shocking True Stories of History's Wickedest Queens: A Treasury* is a fascinating and thought-provoking book that sheds new light on some of the most notorious women in history. Farquhar's vivid prose and meticulous research bring these queens to life, revealing their complex motivations and the impact they had on their world.

## **Catherine de' Medici**



Catherine de' Medici was one of the most powerful and influential women in French history. She was born in Florence, Italy, in 1519, and married Henry II of France in 1533. After Henry's death in 1559, Catherine became regent for her three sons, Francis II, Charles IX, and Henry III.

Catherine was a ruthless and ambitious woman who was determined to maintain her power. She was involved in a number of plots and

assassinations, and she was known for her cruelty and vindictiveness. She is best known for her role in the St. Bartholomew's Day Massacre, in which thousands of Protestants were killed.

## **Mary, Queen of Scots**



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Mary, Queen of Scots was one of the most tragic figures in British history. She was born in Scotland in 1542, and became Queen of Scotland at the age of six. She was married to the Dauphin of France in 1558, and became Queen of France in 1559. After her husband's death in 1560, Mary returned to Scotland and married her cousin, Lord Darnley.

Mary's reign was marked by turmoil and intrigue. She was accused of plotting to murder her husband, and she was forced to abdicate in favor of her son, James VI, in 1567. Mary fled to England, where she was imprisoned by her cousin, Queen Elizabeth I. Mary was executed in 1587 for plotting to assassinate Elizabeth.

## **Elizabeth Báthory**



Elizabeth Báthory was a Hungarian countess who is known for being one of the most prolific serial killers in history. She was born in Hungary in 1560, and married Ferenc Nádasdy in 1575. Nádasdy was a cruel and abusive husband, and Báthory is believed to have killed her victims in order to gain revenge on him.

Báthory's victims were young women, and she is believed to have killed hundreds of them. She tortured her victims in a variety of ways, including beating them, burning them

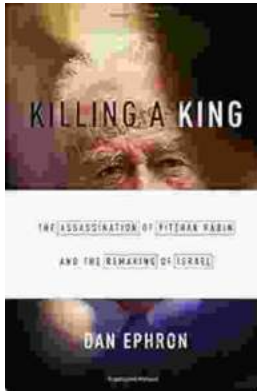


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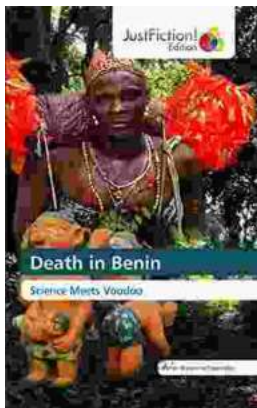
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