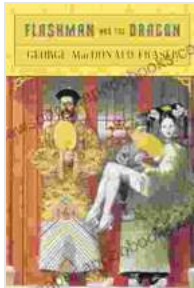


Flashman and the Dragon: A Swashbuckling Adventure of Intrigue and Imperial Conquest



Flashman and the Dragon by George MacDonald Fraser

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In the annals of historical fiction, few characters have captured the imagination quite like Harry Flashman. A roguish, self-serving coward, Flashman is the unlikely hero of a series of thrilling adventures that have captivated readers for decades. In *Flashman and the Dragon*, the indefatigable Flashman embarks on his most perilous journey yet, venturing into the heart of the Far East during the height of British imperial expansion.

The year is 1860, and Flashman finds himself reluctantly drawn into a conflict between the British and Chinese empires. As a reluctant participant in Lord Elgin's diplomatic mission to Peking, Flashman is tasked with infiltrating the Forbidden City and persuading the Chinese emperor to open his country to foreign trade. But the mission quickly descends into chaos, and Flashman finds himself caught in a web of intrigue and treachery that threatens to destroy both himself and the British Empire.

With his customary blend of wit, cunning, and sheer audacity, Flashman navigates the treacherous waters of Chinese politics, encountering a cast of unforgettable characters along the way. From the enigmatic Empress Dowager Cixi to the ruthless warlord Sengge Rinchen, Flashman must use all his skills to survive and outmaneuver his enemies. Along the way, he witnesses the clash of cultures between East and West, the brutality of war, and the indomitable spirit of the Chinese people.

George Macdonald Fraser is renowned for his meticulous research and vivid storytelling, and in *Flashman and the Dragon*, he brings to life the vibrant world of 19th-century China with stunning accuracy. From the bustling streets of Peking to the desolate Gobi Desert, Fraser creates a rich and immersive setting that transports the reader to a time and place of unimaginable adventure.

Flashman and the Dragon is not merely a historical adventure novel; it is also a profound exploration of human nature. Through Flashman's eyes, we witness the complexities of courage and cowardice, the allure of power, and the fragility of human relationships. Fraser's writing is both entertaining and thought-provoking, leaving the reader with a lasting impression of the characters and the events they encounter.

Whether you are a longtime fan of Harry Flashman or new to his adventures, *Flashman and the Dragon* is a must-read. It is a thrilling tale of intrigue, adventure, and self-discovery that will keep you on the edge of your seat from beginning to end.

About the Author

George Macdonald Fraser (1925-2008) was a Scottish author best known for his historical fiction novels, particularly the Flashman series. Fraser was a master of historical research and storytelling, and his books have been praised for their accuracy, wit, and adventure. In addition to the Flashman series, Fraser also wrote several other historical novels, including *The Steel Bonnets* and *The Pyrates*.

Other Books in the Flashman Series

- *Flashman*
- *Royal Flash*
- *Flash for Freedom!*
- *Flashman at the Charge*
- *Flashman in the Great Game*
- *Flashman's Lady*
- *Flashman and the Redskins*
- *Flashman and the Dragon*
- *Flashman and the Mountain of Light*
- *Flashman and the Tiger*
- *Flashman on the March*
- *Flashman and the Angel of Death*
- *Flashman and the Sea of Lost Souls*
- *Flashman and the Wild, Wild West*

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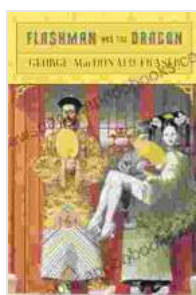
“Flashman and the Dragon is a masterpiece of historical fiction. Fraser's writing is both entertaining and thought-provoking, and his characters are unforgettable. This is a must-read for anyone who enjoys a good adventure story.” - The New York Times



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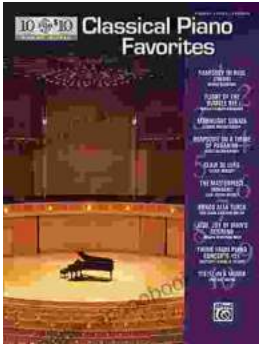


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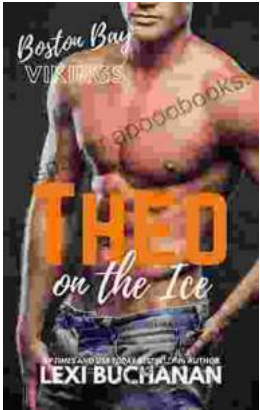
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