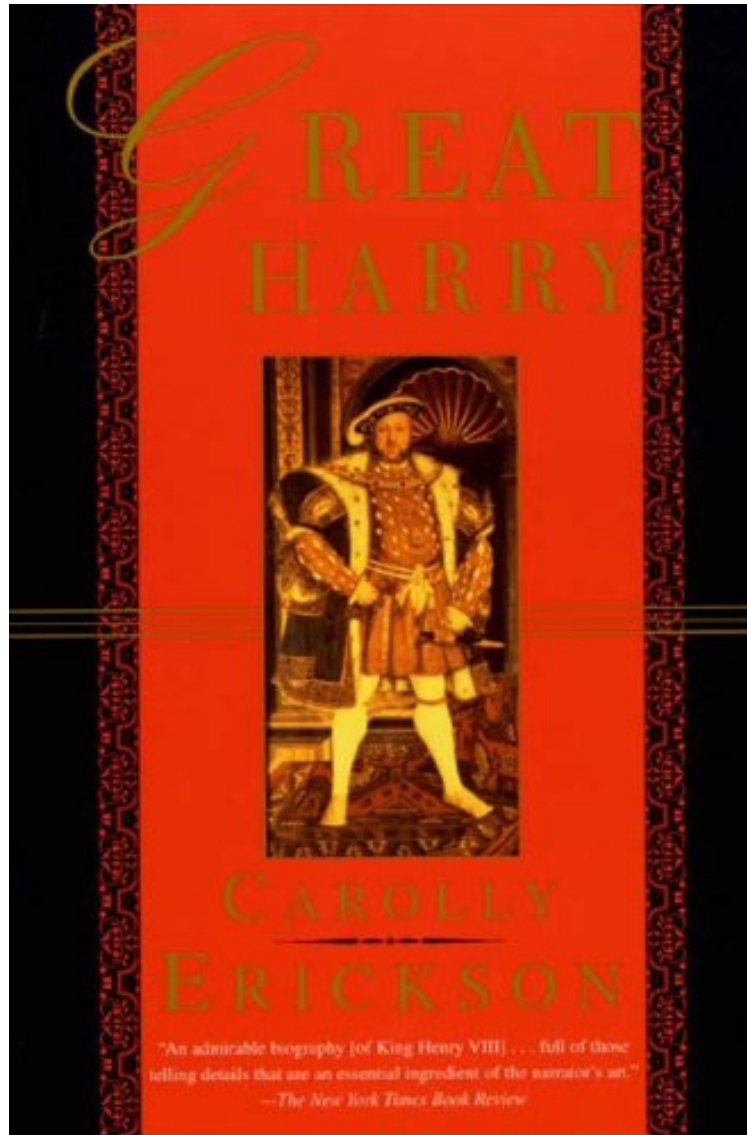


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Too much, and not enoughVon balkan@ix.netcom.comThis book is a real memory dump. I suspect there's nothing that Erickson found out about Henry that doesn't appear within these covers, including the names of Henry's favorite horses. A lot of detail would be excusable if I had come away with a good understanding of the man, but I didn't. The

female characters are better drawn, i.e., Henry's wives. (Erickson's portrait of Anne Boleyn, as someone who grabbed for the brass ring and just missed, is more balanced than Hollywood's.) But, still, I think there's an element of passion missing here, given that this is a book about a man whose own daughter dug up his bones and burned them.

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A Great Biography Von P A Brown Carolly Erickson's Tudor and Stuart biographies are all splendid affairs. "Great Harry" attacks the personality of this man and the issues with which he grappled in a compelling and well-researched fashion without ever losing the reader's attention. Henry VIII was as big and grand as the Tudor age and this book captures both well. I also recommend Erickson's other biographies, especially "The First Elizabeth," about Henry and Anne Boylen's (she was the second wife, the first to lose her head) daughter. Truly one of the best popular historians writing about this period.

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Gives a great picture of the man and his times. Von Customer The book showed a different side of Henry VIII, not just the stereotype of the cruel, evil, lecherous king. A great picture of his early life and his life with Catherine of Aragon is given, along with the difficulties he faced while on the throne throughout his life. It showed how loved and admired he was through his life (at least until the last part of his life) and gives another perspective of the heir-to-the-throne problem.

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