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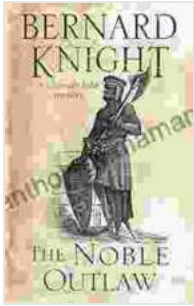
by Bernard Knight

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About the Book

Noble Outlaw is the eleventh book in the Crouner John series by Bernard Knight. It was first published in 2002. The book is set in 12th-century England and follows the adventures of John of the Fens, a coroner who investigates crimes in the county of Norfolk.

In Noble Outlaw, John is called to investigate the death of a young woman who has been found murdered in the forest. The woman is the daughter of a powerful nobleman, and John soon discovers that she was involved in a secret affair with a man from a lower social class. As John investigates the murder, he uncovers a web of intrigue and deceit that reaches the highest levels of society.

Characters

- **John of the Fens:** The protagonist of the novel, John is a coroner in 12th-century England. He is a skilled investigator and a compassionate man who is always willing to help those in need.
- **Lady Alice of Swaffham:** The daughter of a powerful nobleman, Lady Alice is the victim of the murder that John investigates. She was a

beautiful and intelligent young woman who was secretly in love with a man from a lower social class.

- **Sir William of Warenne:** The Earl of Surrey, Sir William is a powerful nobleman who is suspected of being involved in Lady Alice's murder. He is a ruthless and ambitious man who will stop at nothing to achieve his goals.
- **Brother Michael of Ramsey:** A monk from Ramsey Abbey, Brother Michael is John's friend and confidant. He is a wise and compassionate man who often provides John with guidance and support.

Setting

Noble Outlaw is set in 12th-century England, during the reign of King Henry II. The novel is set in the county of Norfolk, which is a rural and sparsely populated area. The novel's setting is vividly described, and Knight brings the sights, sounds, and smells of medieval England to life.

Themes

Noble Outlaw explores several themes, including:

- **The conflict between social classes:** The novel explores the tensions between the different social classes in medieval England. The murder of Lady Alice, a member of the upper class, by a man from a lower social class, highlights the deep divisions that existed between the different classes.
- **The power of love:** The novel also explores the power of love. Lady Alice's love for a man from a lower social class leads to her death, but

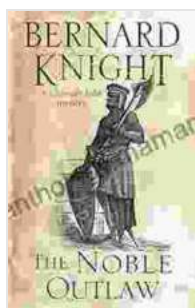
it also shows the strength and power of love.

- **The importance of justice:** John of the Fens is a man who is committed to justice. He investigates Lady Alice's murder with the goal of finding the truth and punishing the guilty party.

Critical Reception

Noble Outlaw has received positive reviews from critics. Publishers Weekly called the novel "a well-crafted mystery with a strong cast of characters and a vivid setting." Kirkus Reviews said that the novel "is a solid addition to the Crowner John series."

Noble Outlaw is a well-written and engaging historical fiction novel. The novel is full of suspense, intrigue, and drama, and it provides a fascinating glimpse into life in medieval England. Fans of the Crowner John series will not be disappointed by this latest installment.



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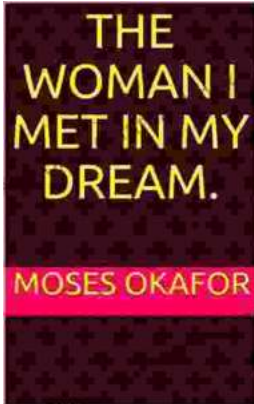
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