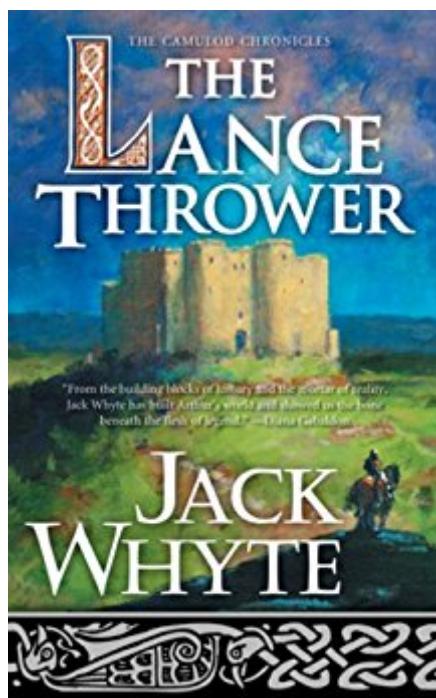


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Synopsis

Jack Whyte has written a lyrical epic, retelling the myths behind the boy who would become the Man Who Would Be King--Arthur Pendragon. He has shown us, as Diana Gabaldon said, "the bone beneath the flesh of legend." In his last book in this series, we witnessed the young king pull the sword from the stone and begin his journey to greatness. Now we reach the tale itself--how the most shining court in history was made. Clothar is a young man of promise. He has been sent from the wreckage of Gaul to one of the few schools remaining, where logic and rhetoric are taught along with battle techniques that will allow him to survive in the cruel new world where the veneer of civilization is held together by barbarism. He is sent by his mentor on a journey to aid another young man: Arthur Pendragon. He is a man who wants to replace barbarism with law, and keep those who work only for destruction at bay. He is seen, as the last great hope for all that is good. Clothar is drawn to this man, and together they build a dream too perfect to last--and, with a special woman, they share a love that will nearly destroy them all...The name of Clothar may be unknown to modern readers, for tales change in the telling through centuries. But any reader will surely know this heroic young man as well as they know the man who became his king. Hundreds of years later, chronicles call Clothar, the Lance Thrower, by a much more common name. That of Lancelot. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

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Tried this .mp3 version vs downloading off of Audible. While cheaper it's not as easy to use because it doesn't remember where you left off so each time you restart the book you have to remember and then find where you left off. Annoying but this was 9.99 vs \$26+ (with Audible discount!) so still weighing whether worth it or not.

Fun series to read and this volume is about average for the series. I learn a little for each of the Camulod series.

Jack Whyte does a superb job in this continuation of his version of the Arthur legend. This is the way Arthur really could have come to power. I've read this series (9 books in all) at least 5 times front to back and plan to read them again often at least once per year probably. I can't say enough good things about this author and this series! This is the penultimate book in Jack Whyte's outstanding retelling of the Arthur legend. This book takes quite a side trip which is absolutely necessary. Jack's series is historically based and so he has to deal with the historical fact that the French knight Lancelot is an anomaly in the story. At this point in history there is no such country as France! Read it... it's great!

Great!

All the books of the Camulod series are worth reading. Many King Arthur novels move into the fantasy genre. With Camulod you keep thinking "It really could have been this way." It reads almost like a history. The disappointment is that Whyte ends when Lancelot meets Arthur as a young man and this is the last book in the series. Camulod is more about how a few very knowledgeable people see that Rome is falling and begin preparing to protect themselves when the legions are withdrawn. I gave this book 3 stars because it ended with the coming of age of Arthur. However the Camulod series as a whole I would give 5 stars.

Excellent addition to Jack Whyte's continuing Saga of The Camulod Chronicles. He captures, refines and deepens the spirit of a lost time and then breathes new life into a transcendent narrative.

I've read the whole series up to this book so far and it was really good. Uther was interesting but wayyy too long and I got bored with it. This one brought me back and I loved being back in this world even from a new perspective. I liked seeing things from someone else and still being in the same story. I can't wait to finish the series with the last one.

I have never enjoyed historical fiction as I have this Camulod series. The writing is excellent, and events plausible. Fantastic and enjoyable reading!

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