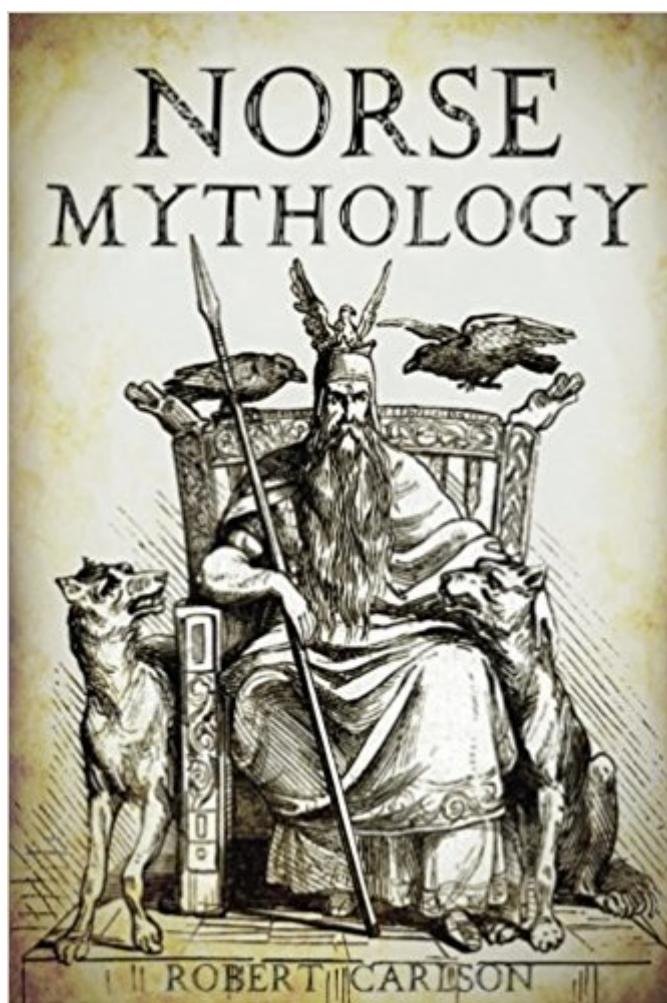


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Norse Mythology: A Concise Guide To Gods, Heroes, Sagas And Beliefs Of Norse Mythology



Synopsis

Norse Mythology An introduction to such a vast subject as Norse Mythology can be problematic as it could well fall between two stools; so packed with details as to put one off, or so vague, that one is none the wiser for having read it. This text manages a pleasing balance, succeeds in whetting the appetite and supplying excellent online resources for the reader who wishes to find out more. Inside you will read about - The Creation in Norse Mythology - The Nine Worlds of Norse Mythology - The Major Gods and Goddesses - Valhalla - Ragnarok - The Sagas - The Influence of Norse Mythology on Our Lives Today The author quotes generously from the most important relevant source which is freely available via the Project Gutenberg, and you are left with the sounds and taste of the times... ringing in your ears and tingling on your tongue.

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Customer Reviews

This definitely was one of the better nonfictions on Norse mythology that I have read so far. It was also my first book by author Robert Carlson but I think it definitely won't be my last. This book had a lot of great chapters and topics of Norse mythology that I was very interested in. My favorite chapters were: The Creation in Norse Mythology, The Major Gods and Goddesses, Ragnarok and especially The Influence of Norse Mythology on Our Lives today. It was all very informative and interesting to read about as well as a quick read. I think this would be the perfect book for people who don't know a lot about Norse mythology but want to learn more about it as well as people who are already familiar with it (like me). Overall, Norse Mythology: A Concise Guide to Gods, Heroes, Sagas and Beliefs of Norse Mythology by Robert Carlson was easily read with a lot of intriguing facts. Really one of my favorites so far on this topic!

While this book did a good job of laying down the basics about Norse mythology, I had hoped for little. It only talked about around 4 of the gods, and took me about an hour to read. If you want something more in depth, I would recommend a different book. It's great if you need to do a report about Thor, Loki, Odin or Freya, but there aren't any other real uses except for the 9 worlds that it does go about a little bit more in depth, but not much.

A fascinating history. I could not give it five stars because I will never remember the incredible number of strange names. As a fan of opera I particularly enjoyed and appreciated the parallels to Wagner's "Ring Cycle." This gives me a deeper understanding of Wagner's masterpiece. Now I will need to explore German mythology to find the linkages that Wagner used to create his opera. Are they different? In a few months I will take a cruise to Copenhagen, Oslo, Helsinki, and Stockholm. I believe the insights from this book will be very useful.

The book is ~50 large-type pages long and still there are typos or grammar or spelling errors on every second page. There is no logical progression to the information - ever talked to a drunk guy at a party who's telling you about a vacation he went on? It's basically like that. Disjointed highlights. Save yourself some money and read the Wikipedia page on Norse mythology.

Norse mythology has always intrigued me and I was excited when I happened upon this book. I'm not normally one to read books pertaining to history or mythology but wanted to read this because it's always been interesting to me. This novel offers quite a lot of information about Norse Gods and the different realms that they dwell in. All of this information is conveyed in a manner that is easy for the reader to understand too. However, some of the words were difficult to pronounce if you don't know much on Norse mythology. If you're interested in learning about Norse mythology then this is definitely worth reading.

It was a very informative book, I bought the book to get information before I will see the next Thor movie. I really enjoyed the book.

I hope there isn't a quiz, because I could not remember all the names, much less where they're from! It's all good.

Should be labeled pamphlet very disappointed in paying that much money for what amounts to a small pamphlet.

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