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Delve into the captivating, often scandalous, private world of King Henry VIII, beyond his six wives. This explores the powerful influence of his various mistresses and the fascinating stories of his illegitimate children, revealing a hidden side of the Tudor court and the monarchy's enduring legacy.

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## Other Tudors: Henry VIII's Mistresses & Bastards

Forget everything you thought you knew about Henry the Eighth. While Henry VIII has frequently been portrayed as a womanizer, author Philippa Jones reveals a new side to his character. Although he was never faithful, Jones sees him as a serial monogamist: he spent his life in search of a perfect woman, a search that continued even as he lay dying. This book brings together for the first time the 'other women' of King Henry VIII. When he first came to the throne, Henry VIII's mistresses were dalliances, the playthings of a powerful and handsome man. However, when Anne Boleyn disrupted that pattern, ousting Katherine of Aragon to become Henry's wife, a new status quo was established. Suddenly noble families fought to entangle the king with their sisters and daughters; if wives were to be beheaded or divorced so easily, the mistress of the king was in an enviable position. Yet he loved each of his wives and mistresses, he was a romantic who loved being in love, but none of these loves ever fully satisfied him; all were ultimately replaced. "The Other Tudors" examines the extraordinary untold tales of the women who Henry loved but never married, the mistresses who became queens and of his many children, both acknowledged and unacknowledged. Philippa Jones takes us deep into the web of secrets and deception at the Tudor Court and explores another, often unmentioned, side to the King's character.

## The Other Tudors

Highly readable account of a sensational subject. Sheds new light on a rarely examined side of Henry III's life. Meticulously researched. Rich genealogical detail helps readers find their way around Henry's court. Must-have book for Tudor fans.

## The Mistresses of Henry VIII

Seventeen-year-old Henry VIII was 'a youngling, he cares for nothing but girls and hunting.' Over the years, this didn't change much. Henry was considered a demi-god by his subjects, so each woman he chose was someone who had managed to stand out in a crowd of stunning ladies. Looking good was

not enough (indeed, many of Henry's lovers were considered unattractive); she had to have something extra special to keep the king's interest. And Henry's women were every bit as intriguing as the man himself. In this book, Henry's mistresses are rescued from obscurity. The sixteenth century was a time of profound changes in religion and society across Europe – and some of Henry's lovers were at the forefront of influencing these events. Kelly Hart gives an excellent insight into the love life of our most popular king, and the twelve women who knew the man behind the mask.

### The Six Wives and Many Mistresses of Henry VIII

For a King renowned for his love life, Henry VIII has traditionally been depicted as something of a prude, but the story may have been different for the women who shared his bed. How did they take the leap from courtier to lover, to wife? What was Henry really like as a lover? Henry's women were uniquely placed to experience the tension between his chivalric ideals and the lusts of the handsome, tall, athletic king; his first marriage, to Catherine of Aragon, was on one level a fairy-tale romance, but his affairs with Anne Stafford, Elizabeth Carew and Jane Popincourt undermined it early on. Later, his more established mistresses, Bessie Blount and Mary Boleyn, risked their good names by bearing him illegitimate children. Typical of his time, Henry did not see that casual liaisons might threaten his marriage, until he met the one woman who held him at arm's length. The arrival of Anne Boleyn changed everything. Her seductive eyes helped rewrite history. After their passionate marriage turned sour, the king rapidly remarried to Jane Seymour. Henry was a man of great appetites, ready to move heaven and earth for a woman he desired; Licence readdresses the experiences of his wives and mistresses in this frank, modern take on the affairs of his heart. What was it really like to be Mrs Henry VIII?

### In Bed with the Tudors

What went on behind closed doors in the Tudor Court? Comprehensive coverage of all the major Tudors: Henry VII, Elizabeth of York, Prince Arthur, Henry VIII, Catherine of Aragon, Anne Boleyn, Jane Seymour, Anne of Cleves, Catherine Howard, Catherine Parr, Henry VIII's various mistresses, Edward VI, Mary Tudor and Elizabeth I.

### The Tudors: The King, the Queen, and the Mistress

The King and Cardinal both work for papal decree of divorce while the King becomes involved with another woman.

### The 7th Wife of Henry The 8th

This is the story of Elizabeth de Grey of Coudenoure, the secret love, the one and only truly great love of England's famed King Henry the VIII. Pre-contracted in the blush of youth and young love before the death of Henry the VII's first son, Henry and Elizabeth are then kept apart through the malice of his grandmother, Lady Margaret Beaufort once Henry becomes heir apparent to the throne. But theirs is a love so deep that all of history's tides cannot quench the sacred flame of love that burns between Henry and Elizabeth, the seventh wife.

### Young Henry

Compelling account of the first 35 years of a magnificent and ruthless monarch. Henry became the unexpected heir to the precarious Tudor throne in 1502, after his elder brother Arthur died. He also inherited both his brother's wardrobe and his wife, the Spanish princess Katherine of Aragon. He became king in April 1509 with many personality traits inherited from his father - the love of magnificence, the rituals of kingship, the excitement of hunting and gambling and the construction of grand new palaces. After those early glory days of feasting, fun and frolic, the continuing lack of a male Tudor heir runs like a thin line of poison through Henry's reign. After he fell in love with Anne Boleyn, he gambled everything on her providing him with a son and heir. From that day forward everything changed. Based on contemporary accounts, Young Henry provides a compelling vision of the splendours, intrigues and tragedies of the royal court, presided over by the ruthless and insecure Henry VIII. With his customary scholarship and narrative verve, Robert Hutchinson provides fresh insights into what drove England's most famous monarch, and how this happy, playful Renaissance prince was transformed into the tyrant of his later years.

### The Tudor Wife

Lady Jane Parker feels out of place in Henry VIII's court, which is filled with glamour and intrigue. Then she meets the handsome George Boleyn and becomes overjoyed when her father arranges a match - until she meets Anne. But as Anne's circle of admirers grows, so does Jane's resentment.

### Lies and Lust in the Tudor Court

Lies and Lust in the Tudor Court tells the story of the teenager, Katheryn Howard, and her marriage to the aging, ill-tempered Henry VIII. To some she is considered a harlot and a greedy girl from an even greedier family. To others she is a victim, in love with another man and forced to marry the King. In truth she was a mercurial, strong-willed, sexually appealing woman trapped by the dangerous politics of the Tudor court and her barren womb. Her final words when she knelt at the executioner's block were, "I die the Queen of England, but I would have rather died the wife of Thomas Culpeper." Not as well known as her famous cousin, Anne Boleyn, Katheryn's story is every bit as exciting and dangerous. It is a piece of history that has the power to stimulate our imagination five hundred years later.

### The Unfaithful Queen

From New York Times bestselling author of *The Last Wife of Henry VIII*, a novel about Catherine Howard, wife of Henry's later years Amid the turbulent, faction-ridden late reign of the fearsome Henry, eager high-spirited Catherine Howard caught the king's eye—but not before she had been the sensual plaything of at least three other men. Ignorant of her past, seeing only her youthful exuberance and believing that she could make him happy, he married her—only to discover, too late, that her heart belonged to his gentleman usher Tom Culpeper. As the net of court intrigue tightens around her, and with the Tudor succession yet again in peril because of Prince Edward's severe illness, Queen Catherine struggles to give the angry, bloated and impotent king a son. But when her relations turn against her, she finds herself doomed, just as her cousin Anne Boleyn was, to face the executioner. *The Unfaithful Queen* lays bare the dark underbelly of the Tudor court, with its sugared rivalries and bitter struggles for power, where a girl of noble family could find herself sent to labor among the turnspits in the kitchens or—should fortune favor her—be exalted to the throne.

### Anne of Cleves

Anne of Cleves left her homeland in 1539 to marry the king of England. She was not brought up to be a queen, yet out of many possible choices she was the bride Henry VIII chose as his fourth wife. But, from their first meeting the king decided he liked her not and sought an immediate divorce. After just six months their marriage was annulled, leaving Anne one of the wealthiest women in England. This is the story of Anne's marriage to Henry, how the daughter of Cleves survived him and her life afterwards. The latest in the series of popular Tudor biographies from Sarah-Beth Watkins, author of *Lady Katherine Knollys: The Unacknowledged Daughter of King Henry VIII*

### Six Tudor Queens: Anna of Kleve, Queen of Secrets

The Sunday Times bestselling fourth novel in Alison Weir's captivating Six Tudor Queens series. 'Alison Weir transforms Henry VIII's much-maligned fourth wife into a woman of passion, courage and mystery' Tracy Borman 'A fascinating tale of love in all its guises' Sun 'Alison Weir never ceases to amaze me with something new' Reader review ~~\*\*\*\*~~ 'Easy to read ... and difficult to put down' Reader review ~~\*\*\*\*~~ --- The fourth of Henry VIII's queens. Her story. A German princess with a guilty secret. The King is in love with a portrait, but the real Anna does not enchant him. She must win him over. Everyone knows that Henry won't stand for a problem queen. But rumours of Anna's past are rife at court - dangerous talk that could mark her downfall. Can this clever, spirited young woman reach out in friendship to the King, and gain his love forever? Anna of Kleve. History tells us she was never crowned queen. But her story does not end there. --- PRAISE FOR THE SIX TUDOR QUEENS SERIES: 'This series is a serious achievement' The Times 'This brilliant series has brought Henry VIII's six wives to life as never before' Tracy Borman 'Profoundly moving... lingers long after the last page' Elizabeth Fremantle 'Well researched and engrossing' Good Housekeeping 'Vivid characters and a wonderful sense of time and place' Barbara Erskine 'Hugely enjoyable . . . Alison Weir knows her subject and has a knack for the telling and textural detail' Daily Mail

### House of Treason

King-makers - Conspirators - Criminals - Nobles - Seducers The Howard family - the Dukes of Norfolk - were the wealthiest and most powerful aristocrats in Tudor England, regarding themselves as the true power behind the throne. They were certainly extraordinarily influential, with two Howard women marrying Henry VIII - Anne Boleyn and the fifteen-year-old Catherine Howard. But in the treacherous world of the Tudor court no faction could afford to rest on its laurels. The Howards consolidated their power with an awesome web of schemes and conspiracies but even they could not always hold their enemies at bay. This was a family whose history is marked by treason, beheadings and incarceration - a dynasty whose pride and ambition secured only their downfall.

#### Catherine Howard

A biography of Henry VIII's fifth wife, beheaded for playing Henry at his own game - adultery.

#### The Private Lives of the Tudors

The internationally bestselling author of Thomas Cromwell and Elizabeth's Women takes readers behind closed doors and into the intimate lives of the Tudor monarchs

#### Bastard Prince

It took Henry VIII 28 years and three wives before he secured a legitimate male heir. Yet he already had a son - Henry Fitzroy. Born after the King's affair with Elizabeth Blount, Fitzroy is very much a forgotten Tudor prince. This book examines his life.

#### Catherine Parr

Romantic, chaotic and terrifying, Catherine Parr's life unfolds like a romance novel. Married at seventeen to the grandson of a confirmed lunatic and widowed at twenty, Catherine chose a Yorkshire lord twice her age as her second husband. Caught up in the turbulent terrors of the Pilgrimage of Grace in 1536, she was captured by northern rebels, held hostage and suffered violence at their hands. Fleeing to the south shortly afterward, Catherine took refuge in the household of Princess Mary and in the arms of the king's brother-in-law, Sir Thomas Seymour. Her employment in Mary's household brought her to the attention of Mary's father, the unpredictable, often-wed Henry VIII. Desperately in love with Seymour, Catherine was forced into marriage with a king whose passion for her could not be hidden and who was determined to make her his queen.

#### The Sixth Wife

Delve deep into a superb, fictionalised account of Henry VIII's sixth Queen, the mysterious Katharine Parr, written by multi-million copy and international bestselling author Jean Plaidy. This vibrant and captivating historical page-turner, perfect for fans of Philippa Gregory, is guaranteed to have you hooked from page one... 'Jean Plaidy doesn't just write the history, she makes it come alive.' -- Julia Moffat, RNA 'Plaidy excels at blending history with romance and drama' -- New York Times 'Full-blooded, dramatic, exciting' - Observer 'A must read' -- \*\*\*\*\* Reader review 'I could not put this book down once I started reading' -- \*\*\*\*\* Reader review 'A pleasure to read' -- \*\*\*\*\* Reader review 'She makes history come alive' -- \*\*\*\*\* Reader review

\*\*\*\*\* Katharine Parr has unwittingly become the last pawn in King Henry VIII's ambitions for an heir. Already twice widowed, Katharine finally dares to hope that she might find love with the dashing Thomas Seymour - but Henry has decided he must have a sixth wife and Seymour's intentions to marry Katharine have not gone unnoticed. Unable to refuse the King of England, Katharine becomes his reluctant bride. Once again it seems only a matter of time before another wife's fate leads her to the Tower of London. Will fate be kind to her...? The Tudor saga continues in The Thistle and the Rose.

#### The Tudors

Dangerously beautiful, charismatic, powerful and proud, the Tudors were the archetypal majestic rulers. Those impassioned fiery red-heads ruled with great ostentatious display. Narcissistic and vain, and masters of propaganda, they proved to be some of the most memorable monarchs of England, and still they continue to fascinate us. The illustrious Tudor court was a place of intrigue, scandal and betrayal. A place where treacherous plots were conceived; and where secret marriages, betrothals and secret liaisons took place. Entangled in the dangerous politics of the Tudor court, one might end up facing

the wrath of the monarch - which could mean being burnt at the stake; a clumsy axe to the neck; or even being boiled to death. Not to be crossed, the powerful Tudor dynasty ushered in the first strong female monarchs, transformed the country's religion and strengthened England, laying the foundations for making it a major country in Europe. This is a book about the five Tudor monarchs that ruled England from 1485 until 1603 - the shrewd Henry VII; the larger than life Henry VIII; the pious Edward VI; the defiant Mary I and the enigmatic, but much loved Elizabeth I. As well as the many other characters at court including the consorts; the mistresses and favourites; and all those that became embroiled in scandalous behaviour, including Henry's younger sister Mary who defiantly married for love against the king's wishes. This book will look at their many secret love affairs; sibling feuds and rivalries and ambitious plots and conspiracies such as Elizabeth I's teenage crush on her step-father; Elizabeth's lover in the Tower; Mary Tudor (senior) secretly marrying the king's best friend - the brawny Charles Brandon; Henry VIII and his many mistresses; the Boleyn sisters and their love affairs and more.

### Three Sisters, Three Queens

Brought to the Tudor court as a young bride, Katherine of Aragon forges a unique sisterhood with the king's sisters, Margaret and Mary, that is shaped by rivalries, wars, betrayal, widowhood, motherhood, passion, and secrets.

### Married to Henry VIII!

Marrying Henry VIII was not an easy option. Top tips provided in this book include 'think carefully before accepting his proposal' and 'give birth to a son, not a daughter'. Set against a backdrop of turbulence in the royal court of Tudor England, this book describes Henry and his many wives - what went right, what went wrong and what became of them all. With information on the church's break with Rome and explanations of the roles of the key figures involved including Wolsey and Cranmer. You really wouldn't want to be married to Henry VIII!

### The Last Wife of Henry VIII

Courageous, romantic, intelligent: Catherine Parr became the sixth wife of Henry VIII and her story, as Carolly Erickson recreates it, is riveting drama

### Innocent Traitor

A fictional portrait of Lady Jane Grey, the great-niece of Henry VIII, follows her turbulent life against the backdrop of Tudor power politics and religious upheaval, from her youth, to her nine-day reign as Queen of England, to its tragic aftermath.

### The Six Wives of Henry VIII

Draws on early biographies, letters, memoirs, diplomatic reports, and other records of the Tudor period to reveal the lives of the six extraordinary women who married Henry VIII

### Mary Boleyn

Mary Boleyn is remembered by posterity as a 'great and infamous whore'. She was the mistress of two kings, Francois I of France and Henry VIII of England, and sister to Anne Boleyn, Henry VIII's second wife.

### The Favored Queen

A tale inspired by the life of Jane Seymour follows her dedicated service as a Maid of Honor to Catherine of Aragon until a scheming Anne Boleyn throws the court into turmoil, a situation that culminates in Jane's dangerous relationship with Henry VIII. By the best-selling author of *Rival to the Queen*. 75,000 first printing.

### A Dangerous Inheritance

England's Tower of London was the terrifying last stop for generations of English political prisoners perceived as threats to the reigning monarch. Across the years, four young royals shared the same small rooms in their dark prison. Weaving together the lives and fates of its youngest and most

blameless into a dark mystery of thwarted love and ruthless ambition, Alison Weir has written the most suspenseful, large-scale novel of her career.

### The Last Tudor

'How long do I have?' I force a laugh. 'Not long,' he says very quietly. 'They have confirmed your sentence of death. You are to be beheaded tomorrow. We don't have long at all.' Jane Grey was Queen of England for nine days. Using her position as cousin to the deceased king, her father and his conspirators put her on the throne ahead of the king's half-sister Mary, who quickly mustered an army, claimed her crown and locked Jane in the Tower. When Jane refused to betray her Protestant faith, Mary sent her to the executioner's block. There Jane turned her father's greedy, failed grab for power into her own brave and tragic martyrdom. 'Learn you to die' is the advice that Jane gives in a letter to her younger sister Katherine, who has no intention of dying. She intends to enjoy her beauty and her youth and find love. But her lineage makes her a threat to the insecure and infertile Queen Mary and, when Mary dies, to her sister Queen Elizabeth, who will never allow Katherine to marry and produce a potential royal heir before she does. So when Katherine's secret marriage is revealed by her pregnancy, she too must go to the Tower. 'Farewell, my sister,' writes Katherine to the youngest Grey sister, Mary. A beautiful dwarf, disregarded by the court, Mary finds it easy to keep secrets, especially her own, while avoiding Elizabeth's suspicious glare. After watching her sisters defy the queen, Mary is aware of her own perilous position as a possible heir to the throne. But she is determined to command her own destiny and be the last Tudor to risk her life in matching wits with her ruthless and unforgiving cousin Elizabeth. Praise for Philippa Gregory: 'Meticulously researched and deeply entertaining, this story of betrayal and divided loyalties is Gregory on top form' Good Housekeeping 'Gregory has popularised Tudor history perhaps more than any other living fiction writer...all of her books feature strong, complex women, doing their best to improve their lives in worlds dominated by men' Sunday Times 'Engrossing' Sunday Express 'Popular historical fiction at its finest, immaculately researched and superbly told' The Times

### Secrets of the Tudor Court

Despite being betrothed to Harry Fitzroy, the son of King Henry VIII, Mary Howard must contend with her scheming father, the Duke of Norfolk. A first novel. Original.

### The Wives of Henry VIII

The six-week New York Times bestselling history of the legendary six wives of Henry VIII--from an acclaimed biographer. "Admirably succeed(s) in bringing to life the six women who married England's ruler. . . ."--New York Times Book Review. 16 color plates. 32 pages of illustrations.

### The Six Wives of Henry VIII

The daughters of a ruthlessly ambitious family, Mary and Anne Boleyn are sent to the court of Henry VIII to attract the attention of the king, who first takes Mary as his mistress, in which role she bears him an illegitimate son, and then Anne as his wife. Reprint. 250,000 first printing. (A Columbia Pictures film, written by Peter Morgan, directed by Justin Chadwick, releasing Fall 2007, starring Natalie Portman, Scarlett Johansson, Eric Bana, and others) (Historical Fiction)

### The Wives of Henry the Eighth and the Parts They Played in History

Antonia Fraser's bestselling biography of Henry VIII's six wives; a subject of enduring fascination. The six wives of Henry VIII - Catherine of Aragon, Anne Boleyn, Jane Seymour, Anna of Cleves, Katherine Howard and Catherine Parr - have become defined in a popular sense not so much by their lives as by the way these lives ended. But, as Antonia Fraser conclusively proves, they were rich and feisty characters. They may have been victims of Henry's obsession with a male heir, but they were not willing victims. On the contrary, they displayed considerable strength and intelligence at a time when their sex supposedly possessed little of either.

### Tudor

Based on actual historical events, an epic tale of a young Tudor nobleman's courage as he tries to keep the future Queen Elizabeth I safe in one of England's most turbulent eras. If you enjoy Tudor Fiction by Philippa Gregory and Alison Weir then A Queens Spy is perfect for you. A fascinating insight into Tudor

England and the life of Elizabeth I before she sets foot on the steps to the throne. Richard Fitzwarren, a Tudor nobleman with a dubious past takes risks for a living. As a younger man he had been attached to Thomas Seymour's household, working with Seymour's spy and intelligence network. Seymoure, married to Henry VIII's widow, Catherine Parr, was as close to the power at Court as he could get. Through his wife he became guardian of the young princess Elizabeth, and so Richard Fitzwarren became a close childhood friend of Elizabeth Tudor. So close that Seymoure was readily believed when he blamed Richard for the liberties he himself had taken with the young princess. Banished from his father's house for the crimes he didn't commit he's learnt his trade well in France returning to England a self styled soldier of fortune selling his services, and those of his mercenary band to the highest bidder. Now he's back in England, his bastard sibling at his side and a band of mercenaries at his back. Despite selling his services to support Northumberland place Lady Jane Grey on the throne he remains loyal to the lady Elizabeth; soon he is embroiled in Tudor intrigue and mystery as he tries to keep the Lady safe. At his side is Jack, his bastard sibling; their relationship a troubled one. Jack seeks to be his brothers equal but Richard has difficulty accepting him; impatient, impulsive and impetuous, he is everything Richard is not. There is a dark family secret Richard had always suspected; as this medieval mystery unfolds the final discovery of it changes the relationship between them forever. Caught up in struggle to place Jane Grey on the throne is Catherine De Bernay. Daughter of Peter De Bernay, a close supporter of Mary Tudor, the young woman finds herself losing her home and family and is forced to turn for help to the men who orchestrated her fall, the Fitzwarren brothers. Intent on revenge she finds herself on the side of others who would like to see Richard Fitzwarren's downfall. Hidden within the text are some clues, find them, crack the code and claim the prize which is a 16th Century Tudor Ring. Praise for a Queens Spy Sam Burnell's historical novel, "A Queen's Spy: The Fitzwarren Trials"

## Henry VIII and His Queens

The Other Boleyn Girl (Movie Tie-In)