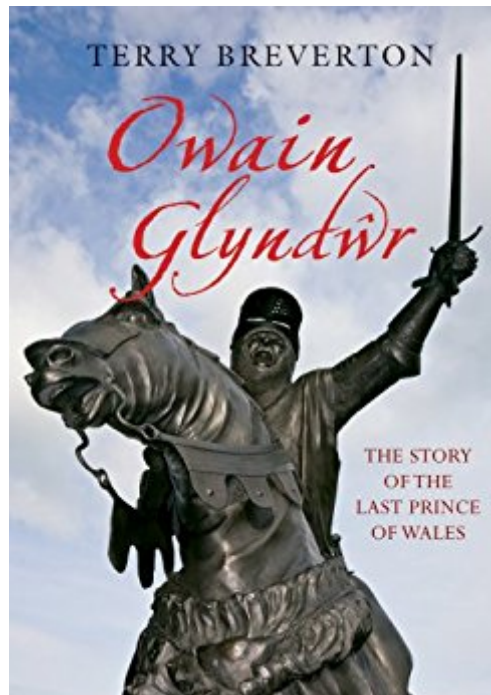




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The first ever full-scale biography of the last native Prince of Wales who fought to maintain an independent Wales. If it had not been for Owain Glyndŵr's 15-year struggle against overwhelming odds, the Welsh would not have survived as Europe's oldest nation. His war is the defining era in the history of Wales. Yet Glyndŵr is hardly known - a cultured, literate warrior who was never betrayed or captured and vanished into history. No less than six separate invasions were beaten back by Glyndŵr's army of volunteers before he disappeared into history, his family and children either dead or imprisoned for life, but he was never betrayed. Not for Glyndŵr the brutal public death of Braveheart, nor a grave to desecrate - only an immortal legacy of hope and freedom. His war of independence led the way for the success of another mab darogan (son of prophecy) seven decades later, when a Welsh army won at Bosworth Field and the Tudor Dynasty was founded. This book tells us how Glyndŵr came to stir Wales into war, and why his name still resonates today as one of the greatest warriors the world has seen. The Kindle edition of 'Owain Glyndŵr: The Story of the Last Prince of Wales' contains 34 colour illustrations.

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Author Terry Breverton begins with English and Welsh history from 1066 to 1378. Then he zeros in

on the historical character of Owain Glyndwr. Glyndwr the warrior Prince who raised up an army against the brute injustice of England. Glyndwr who fought for a continuance of an Independent nation of Wales. Glyndwr who became a legend for the people of Wales, and a mighty hero of valor. Owain Glyndwr's birth has been given in three dates: 1349, 1354, and 1355. "The most accredited date is 28 May 1354". Three major bloodlines were in him. He studied at Oxford or Cambridge, possibly studying law. He married, and had six sons, 7 daughters. When Glyndwr went to war against England, Henry II had taken the throne. The year was 1400. The war would last 15 years. Terry Breverton through documented research, plus a strong dedication for the truth of Welsh history, has written a remarkable historical book. This is the second book on Welsh history I've read by Terry Breverton, I'm just amazed at his dedication to study and research in his topics. I'm even more amazed at his candor in wanting accurate information given about Welsh history. The primary theme is Owain Glyndwr, yet several other historical figures were written about. Richard II House of Plantagenet John of Gaunt Edmund Mortimer Earl of Warwick Henry IV Tudor family The description of the individual battles are given; but also France's role in the war, political intrigue in England, the suffering of the Welsh people during the war, Glyndwr's stark determination and military prowess, and the influence he's had through the generations. I felt the book was well-written, organized and arranged well, and very interesting. There are 32 color photographs of Wales which includes the various locations of interest from the book. Thank you to Amberley for my free review copy.

This is a good book, very thoroughly researched and densely written. It is not for the casual reader, though - it's more like a PhD thesis than a novel. The author is clearly a great admirer of Welsh history and culture, and never misses an opportunity to praise all things Welsh.

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