# **ALEXANDER ROMANOV**

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## Silvia Miguens

Read about the legend of the melancolic tsar and the *staretz* of Krasnretchensk. November, 1825: During his trip to the Taganrog Palace, Alexander Romanov suddenly and mysteriously disappears. Years after, Tolstoi, obsessed with the myth of Alexander I, looks into his life with the help of the Russian Orthodox hermit, Fiodor Kuzmich

# **Synopsis**

The novel begins in the 19th century in the Imperial Russia, with Alexander Romanov wondering about his destiny. In a trip to the Palace of Taganrog in Crimea, he mysteriously disappears and his body is later found lying next to a brook. Leon Tolstoi, who was obsessed with the legend of Alexander I from an early age, doesn't let the legend die.

This book brings together Tolstoi's long conversations with Fiodor Kuzmich, a mysterious Russian Orthodox monk who apparently knows all about Tsar Alexander.

Here you will learn all about the intrigues of the Russian Empire, the Orthodox religion, and how Alexander's grandmother, Catherine the Great, wanted him to become tsar over her own son (and his father), Paul I.

Although a fictional account, this book borrows heavily and faithfully from history and creates an exciting story of the life of one of the most controversial figures of the 19th century.

### **Biography**

**Silvia Miguens** has contributed to numerous literary and history conferences and has led university seminars in Argentina and Colombia on topics of great interest to her: the interplay between history and fiction, and the special role of women in history. She has received various literary awards, including the Ricardo Rojas prize (1995-1997) for her novel *Lupe*. Nowtilus has published her most recent works: *Catherine the Great, Isabella II of Spain* and *A Brief History of Pirates*.



# Sales pitch

- Alexander Romanov is a historical figure who deserves to be remembered, not only for the legend that surrounds his death, but for his courage during his life and reign.
- The novel narrates the life of the tsar and analyzes socio-political issues in the context of the Russian Orthodox Church and 19th century Europe.
- There is an increasing amount of books dedicated to subjects related to Russia.
- Silvia Miguens has established herself as a very successful writer as seen in the awards she has received and by the way her books have been so warmly received by the general public.

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La leyenda del zar melancólico y el "staretz de Krasnoretchensk"

Noviembro, 1825. Alejandro Romanov desaparece misteriosamente en su vinje al Palacio de Tagamoy, Nace a leyenda. Años después León Tolstof, que ha crecido obsesionado con el mito del zar Alejandro I, indaga en su vida con la ayuda del enigmático maestro ortodoxo Fiédor Kosmitch



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