

BRIEF HISTORY OF THE SPANISH GOLDEN AGE

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Journey through the Spanish Golden Age, a period filled with a cultural renaissance led by Cervantes, Velazquez, and Quevedo. In so doing, you will also learn about the darker political and social intrigues of the era as well as the infamous black legend.

Synopsis

A Brief History of the Spanish Golden Age explains the history of this convulsive period during which the fall of the Spanish Empire went hand-in-hand with a destructive black legend. The author provides a complete study behind this legend: its origins, how it was propagated it, with what motives, etc. This way, the book offers the key events that shaped the future of Spain and Europe, from the defeat of the Spanish Armada to Rocroy.

The book also takes a journey through the cultural landscape of Spain, traveling in the times of Cervantes, Saint John of the Cross, Velazquez, Philip II, and Saint Teresa of Avila.

Biography

Miguel Zorita Bayón, has a degree in fine arts and a special interest in topics related to the Spanish Renaissance and Baroque periods. On this period he has written various articles in journals like *Madrid Histórico*. He also co-authored an article for *Hispania Incógnita* as part of a project sponsored by the Society for Medieval and Templar Studies.

Presently he is collaborating with Juan Ignacio Cuesta, a renowned journalist and researcher, on various research projects, documentaries, and articles

Sales pitch

NOVEL APPROACH: Among other things, this book looks at one of the least known themes of the Golden Age: the history behind the black legend.

HISTORICAL REVISIONISM: Readers will have the opportunity to see up close the true events that led to the Black Legend, including the person(s) behind it and their motives. It also discusses the consequences that the Black Legend had on Spanish society.

ILLUSTRATED CONTENT: The book's content is complemented and expanded on by important visual documents. The reader will also learn a great deal about daily life of this period from the various unique stories included in the book.

EASY TO READ: While certainly well-documented, the book's writing style allows for an easy and entertaining read.

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Cervantes, Velázquez, Quevedo... Adéntrate en el Siglo de Oro, sus conjuras e intrigas, y la leyenda negra. Conoce el increíble auge de las artes y las letras, junto a turbias tramas políticas y confabulaciones.



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