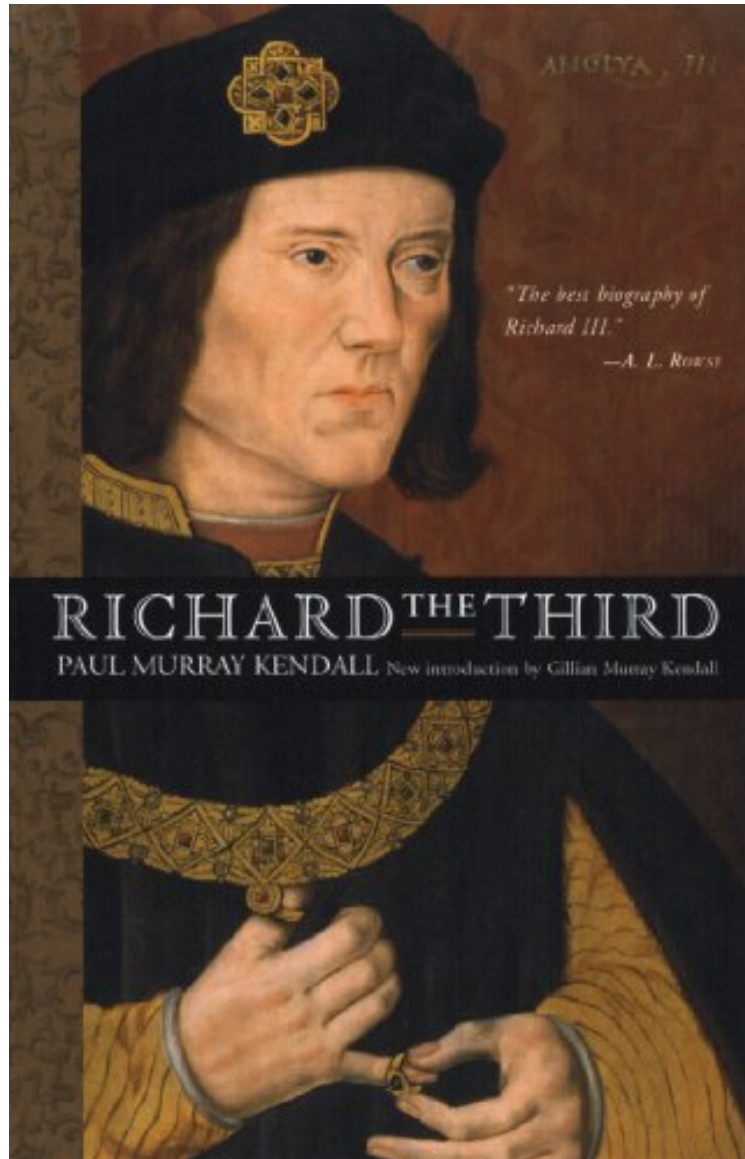


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Kendall's "Richard III"Von Meredith WhitfordI have read every biography and reference source about Richard III, and Kendall's biography still stands as the best introduction to a study of this monarch and his times, and to the controversy which still, despite all the recent scholarship, surrounds him. Kendall is often criticised for his

romanticised approach to his subject and for his slightly purple prose, but his book is intensely readable, clear, and scholarly. Later research has produced evidence which outdates some of Kendall's points, but his overview of the era and characters continues to be the best. If you're new to the period/subject, or want to get someone else interested, Kendall's "Richard III" is the best starting point. I find it an invaluable research tool. Kendall's "The Yorkist Age" is also the best book I have ever found for an understanding of the era. Sources like the Richard III Society website will guide any interested reader to many other reputable sources, but Kendall stands out as the place to start. (And, unlike many writers who claim to be historians, Kendall uses historical sources, not prejudices and second-hand information.) Highly recommended.

1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. THE book on Richard Von Anna Peak Complete without being boringly detailed, written like a historical novel--in fact, some parts are, as Kendall admits, slightly fictionalized--this bio of Richard was for many years the standard one. The fiction, while reviled by more scholarly authors, does not destroy the worth of the book, however; those parts are obvious and can be easily separated from the rest of the text. Especially valuable are the two appendices--one giving a history of Richard's reputation that in itself destroys many of the charges made against Richard, and the other on The Princes in the Tower, which gives a survey of all sources as well as putting forth modern theories, which Kendall critiques. He also puts forward, for the first time, the suggestion that the Duke of Buckingham might have murdered the Princes in the Tower, building an excellent case but then, apparently fearful of being ridiculed by traditionalists--a perfectly legitimate fear-- , Kendall backs off and says, well, it's just a suggestion. This tendency to belittle his own ideas and sometimes be wishy-washy hurts the book, but it remains an essential source on Richard for its thoroughness, its clarity, and its arguments, even if they are only given tentatively. There are too few books sympathetic to Richard; this is one of the best.

2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A portrait of a man of honor, courage and above all loyalty Von the.Dragon@btinternet.com Julie I first read this book many years ago after "slandering" Richard's name to my Grandmother who stonily said "read this book and then comment". I have read it several times since always with the same sad despair that so fine a person should have suffered such calumny at the hands of the Tudors. The writing style is so fluent and passionate the equal of any novel.

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