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### EXCALIBUR

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### EXCALIBUR

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Michael Joseph **Arthur the warlord has crushed Lancelot's rebellion, but the victory does not bring peace to him or to Britain.**

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## A NOVEL OF ARTHUR

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Penguin UK **From the No. 1 bestselling author of WAR LORD comes an epic retelling of the Arthurian legend, from the bestselling Last Kingdom series 'The best Arthurian legend I have ever read' 5\*\*\*\*\* READER REVIEW 'Bernard Cornwell is the best historical adventurer there is' 5\*\*\*\*\* READER REVIEW 'The pinnacle of historical fiction' 5\*\*\*\*\* READER REVIEW \_\_\_\_\_**

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## **WARLORD TRILOGY**

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### **THE WINTER KING**

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#### **A NOVEL OF ARTHUR**

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[Penguin UK](#) From Bernard Cornwell, the international bestselling author and master of historical fiction. In the Dark Ages, a legendary warrior arises to unite a divided land . . . Uther, the High King of Britain, is dead. His only heir is the infant Mordred. Yet each of the country's lesser kings seek to claim the crown for themselves. While they squabble and spoil for war, a host of Saxon armies gather, preparing for invasion. But no one has counted on the fearsome warlord Arthur. Handed power by Merlin and pursuing a doomed romance with the beautiful Guinevere, Arthur knows he will struggle to unite the country - let alone hold back the Saxon enemy at the gates. Yet destiny awaits him . . . The first of Bernard Cornwell's *Warlord Chronicles*, *The Winter King* is a brilliant retelling of the Arthurian legend, combining myth, history and thrilling battlefield action. 'Of all the books I have written these are my favourites' Bernard Cornwell  
'Spellbinding realism' *The Times*

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## **ENEMY OF GOD**

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#### **A NOVEL OF ARTHUR**

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[Penguin UK](#) From the No. 1 bestselling author of *WAR LORD* comes an epic retelling of the Arthurian legend, from the bestselling *Last Kingdom* series. Uniting the restive British kingdoms behind him, Arthur believes he can now hold back the Saxons threatening the country. Meanwhile, Merlin sets out on a quest to uncover the sacred Treasures of Britain, hoping they will prove decisive in the coming battle. But in a country where the cult of the Christians is spreading, Merlin's quest is divisive. And the ambitions of the rival warlord Lancelot threaten the delicate peace. Could even those closest to Arthur be moved to betray him? From the epic bestselling author, *Enemy of God* brilliantly retells the Arthurian legend, combining

myth, history and thrilling battlefield action. \_\_\_\_\_ 'Wonderful and haunting' People Magazine 'Of all the books I have written these are my favourites' Bernard Cornwell

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## **THE WARLORD CHRONICLES, NOVELS OF ARTHUR**

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### **THE WINTER KING; ENEMY OF GOD; EXCALIBUR**

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Saint Martin's Griffin

## **WARLORD CHRONICLES**

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Penguin UK The Warlord Chronicles breathe new life to Arthurian legend, weaving together historical fact, intense battles and the old world magic of Merlin. The Warlord Chronicles series includes The Winter King, Enemy of God and Excalibur. 'Spellbinding realism' The Times 'Of all the books I have written these three are my favourites' Bernard Cornwell

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## **THE KING ARTHUR TRILOGY**

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### **THE WINTER KING, ENEMY OF GOD, EXCALIBUR**

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St. Martin's Griffin It takes a remarkable writer to make an old story as fresh and compelling as the first time we heard it. Bernard Cornwell's Internationally bestselling King Arthur Trilogy tells the mythic saga of King Arthur and is the work of a magnificent storyteller at the height of his powers. **THE WINTER KING** The novel is set in Dark Age Britain in a land where Arthur has been banished and Merlin has disappeared, where a child-king sits unprotected on the throne, where religion vies with magic for the souls of the people. It is to this desperate land that Arthur returns, a man at once utterly human and truly heroic; a man who loves Guinevere more passionately than he should; a man whose life is at once tragic and triumphant. **ENEMY OF GOD** Having defeated the last holdouts of civil war in southern Britain, Arthur has secured Mordred's throne. But he must still face raging conflicts between the old ways and the new, as well as foes more powerful and more dangerous--because they pose as friends. **EXCALIBUR** The unforgettable tale of Arthur's final struggles against the Saxons and his last attempts to triumph over a ruined marriage and ravaged dreams as forces both earthly and unearthly threaten everything Arthur stands for. Peopled by princesses and bards, by warriors and magicians, Excalibur is the story of love, war, loyalty, and betrayal.

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## **ENEMY OF GOD**

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## **WAR LORD (THE LAST KINGDOM SERIES, BOOK 13)**

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HarperCollins The No.1 Sunday Times bestseller and the epic conclusion to the globally bestselling historical series. A divided kingdom An impossible

choice The ultimate battle . . .

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## **NOVELS BY BERNARD CORNWELL**

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### **AZINCOURT (NOVEL), ENEMY OF GOD (NOVEL), EXCALIBUR**

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[University-Press.org](http://University-Press.org) Please note that the content of this book primarily consists of articles available from Wikipedia or other free sources online. Commentary (novels not included). Pages: 27. Chapters: Azincourt (novel), Enemy of God (novel), Excalibur: A Novel of Arthur, Gallows Thief, Harlequin (novel), Sharpe's Rifles (novel), Stonehenge (novel), Sword Song (novel), The Fort (novel), The Grail Quest (novel series), The Last Kingdom, The Lords of the North, The Pale Horseman, The Starbuck Chronicles, The Warlord Chronicles, The Winter King. Excerpt: The Winter King is the first novel of the Warlord Chronicles by Bernard Cornwell. It was published in 1995 in the UK by Penguin Group. The novel is divided into five parts. It tells the story of how Arthur became warlord of Great Britain despite illegitimacy to the throne. After being banished to Armorica by his father High King Uther, Arthur returns to protect the new king, his nephew the baby Mordred. However, he once more is put in a precarious position when, on the cusp of a united peaceful Britain, Arthur runs out on his engagement to an enemy nation's princess. His decision to marry Guinevere instead plunges the island into war with everyone baying for his blood but the book ends with his conquering the other armies and uniting all of Britain so that they can fight the invading Saxons in the next books. The Kingdom of Dumnonia is in chaos. The forces of Dumnonia led by the Edling (Crown Prince) Mordred and Arthur (the King's bastard) have defeated the Saxons at a battle beneath the hill of the white horse, but at a terrible price. Prince Mordred was slain, leaving the Kingdom without an heir. Dumnonia's only hope is for Mordred's pregnant wife, Norwenna, to give birth to a son. High King Uther Pendragon blames his son's death on Arthur and exiles him to Armorica. Norwenna is in labor, and there are fears that she and the child may die. Norwenna, a Christian, has insisted that only Christian midwives be present. High King...

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## **WORKS BY BERNARD CORNWELL**

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### **THE NOVELS BY BERNARD CORNWELL, SHORT STORIES BY BERNARD CORNWELL, GALLOWS THIEF, THE WINTER KING, HARLEQUIN**

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[University-Press.org](http://University-Press.org) Please note that the content of this book primarily consists of articles available from Wikipedia or other free sources online. Commentary (works not included). Pages: 24. Chapters: Novels by Bernard Cornwell, Short stories by Bernard Cornwell, Gallows Thief, The Winter King, Harlequin, The Starbuck Chronicles, The Last Kingdom, The Lords of the North, Sharpe's Tiger, The Pale Horseman, Sword Song, Sharpe's Skirmish, The Grail Quest, The Warlord Chronicles, Sharpe's Rifles, Enemy of God, Excalibur: A Novel of Arthur, Sharpe's Christmas, Sharpe's Ransom,

Stonehenge, Azincourt. Excerpt: Azincourt Azincourt is an historical novel written by Bernard Cornwell . The book relates the events leading to the Battle of Agincourt, through its protagonist Nicholas Hook. In the United States, it was published under the title Agincourt. Publication Film adaptation Screenwriter Michael Hirst is said to be writing a screenplay based on Cornwell's book, with filming scheduled to begin in 2010. References (URLs online) A hyperlinked version of this chapter is at [Enemy of God](#) Enemy of God is the second book in The Warlord Chronicles series by Bernard Cornwell . The trilogy tells the legend of Arthur seen through the eyes of his follower Derfel Cadarn .Plot introduction Arthur, against all odds, has achieved peace among the warring British Kingdoms and is soon set to turn his attentions against the Saxons. Merlin arrives with a dangerous and near impossible quest into the lands of the most terrible of Britain's enemies in an attempt to recover an ancient relic which will help him restore Britain to its former glory. All the while, Arthur's enemies close around him, ready to destroy his world for their own aims...Plot summary Chapter One: Enemy of God starts off where The Winter King left off. Arthur tells Derfel that he plans to marry Lancelot to Ceinwyn, and Derfel does not reveal that he is in love with Ceinwyn and wants her for himself. Derfel speaks with Merlin, and Merlin...

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## THE MERLIN TRILOGY

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[Harper Collins](#) The Arthurian legend is one of the most enduring and powerful of myths, and Mary Stewart's classic The Merlin Trilogy is one of its most beloved and acclaimed retellings. In prose that is as vividly, achingly real as it is poetic, New York Times bestselling author Mary Stewart brings to life the man behind the myth: Myrddin Emrys ... Merlinus Ambrosius ... Merlin. The Crystal Cave The Hollow Hills The Last Enchantment Born the bastard son of a Welsh princess, Myrddin Emrys -- or, as he would later be known, Merlin -- leads a perilous childhood in The Crystal Cave, haunted by portents and visions. But destiny has great plans for this no-man's-son, taking him from prophesying before the High King Vortigern to the crowning of UtherPendragon ... and the conception of Arthur -- king for once and always. Keeping watch over the young Arthur Pendragon in The Hollow Hills, the prince and prophet Merlin Ambrosius is haunted by dreams of the magical sword Caliburn, hidden for centuries. When Uther Pendragon is killed in battle, the time of destiny is at hand, and Arthur must claim the fabled sword to become the true High King of Britain. In The Last Enchantment, Arthur Pendragon is king at last. Unchallenged on the battlefield, he melds the country together in a time of promise as Merlin works to keep safe the once and future king. But sinister powers plot to destroy Camelot, and when the witch-queen Morgause -- Arthur's own half sister -- ensnares him in an incestuous liaison, a fatal web of love, betrayal, and bloody vengeance is woven. Extensively researched and beautifully written, The Merlin Trilogy is the epic

culmination of an acclaimed career, a legend in and of itself.

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## **THE SKYSTONE**

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### **A DREAM OF EAGLES BOOK I**

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[Penguin](#) **Born of the chaos of the Dark Ages, the Dream of Eagles produced a king, a country and an everlasting legend—Camelot Publius Varrus is a veteran Roman officer and a maker of swords. In the early fifth century, amid the violent struggles between the people of Britain and the invading Saxons, Picts and Scots, he and his former general, Caius Britannicus, forge the government and military system that will become known as the Round Table, and initiate a chain of events that will lead to the coronation of the High King we know today as Arthur. Rich in historical detail, brimming with drama, intrigue and passion, The Skystone gives new resonance to an enduring and powerful legend.**

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### **HARLEQUIN (THE GRAIL QUEST, BOOK 1)**

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## **THE MISTS OF AVALON**

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[Penguin UK](#) **Here is the tragic tale of the rise and fall of Camelot - but seen through the eyes of Camelot's women: The devout Gwenhwyfar, Arthur's Queen; Vivane, High priestess of Avalon and the Lady of the Lake; above all, Morgaine, possessor of the sight, the wise, the wise-woman fated to bring ruin on them all...**

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### **HERETIC (THE GRAIL QUEST, BOOK 3)**

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[HarperCollins UK](#) **The eagerly anticipated follow-up to the number one bestseller Vagabond, this is the third instalment in Bernard Cornwell's Grail Quest series.**

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## **BATTLE FLAG**

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New York : Abaris Books

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## **STONEHENGE: A NOVEL OF 2000 BC**

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## **VAGABOND**

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### **A NOVEL**

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[Harper Collins](#) From New York Times bestselling author Bernard Cornwell, the sequel to *The Archer's Tale*—the spellbinding tale of a young man, a fearless archer, who sets out wanting to avenge his family's honor and winds up on a quest for the Holy Grail. In 1347, a year of conflict and unrest, Thomas of Hookton returns to England to pursue the Holy Grail. Among the flames of the Hundred Years War, a sinister enemy awaits the fabled archer and mercenary soldier: a bloodthirsty Dominican Inquisitor who also seeks Christendom's most holy relic. But neither the horrors of the battlefield nor sadistic torture at the Inquisitor's hands can turn Thomas from his sworn mission. And his thirst for vengeance will never be quenched while the villainous black rider who destroyed everything he loved still lives. "Cornwell writes the best battle scenes of any writer I've read past or present."—George R.R. Martin

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## **EXCALIBUR**

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### **A NOVEL OF ARTHUR**

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[Chivers North Amer](#) Describes King Arthur's final battle with Mordred, who has summoned the power of the gods to help his evil cause

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## **THE LOST QUEEN**

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## A NOVEL

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**Atria Books** “Outlander meets Camelot” (Kirsty Logan, author of *The Gracekeepers*) in the first book of an exciting historical trilogy that reveals the untold story of Languoreth—a powerful and, until now, tragically forgotten queen of sixth-century Scotland—twin sister of the man who inspired the legendary character of Merlin. Intelligent, passionate, rebellious, and brave, Languoreth is the unforgettable heroine of *The Lost Queen*, a tale of conflicted loves and survival set against the cinematic backdrop of ancient Scotland, a magical land of myths and superstition inspired by the beauty of the natural world. One of the most powerful early medieval queens in British history, Languoreth ruled at a time of enormous disruption and bloodshed, when the burgeoning forces of Christianity threatened to obliterate the ancient pagan beliefs and change her way of life forever. Together with her twin brother Lailoken, a warrior and druid known to history as Merlin, Languoreth is catapulted into a world of danger and violence. When a war brings the hero Emrys Pendragon, to their door, Languoreth collides with the handsome warrior Maelgwn. Their passionate connection is forged by enchantment, but Languoreth is promised in marriage to Rhydderch, son of the High King who is sympathetic to the followers of Christianity. As Rhydderch's wife, Languoreth must assume her duty to fight for the preservation of the Old Way, her kingdom, and all she holds dear. “Moving, thrilling, and ultimately spellbinding” (BookPage), *The Lost Queen* brings this remarkable woman to life—rescuing her from obscurity, and reaffirming her place at the center of the most enduring legends of all time. “Moving, thrilling, and ultimately spellbinding, *The Lost Queen* is perfect for readers of historical fiction like *The Clan of the Cave Bear* and *Wolf Hall*, and for lovers of fantasy like *Outlander* and *The Mists of Avalon*” (BookPage).

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## EXCALIBUR

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### A NOVEL OF ARTHUR

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**Penguin** A story of love, war, loyalty and betrayal, *EXCALIBUR* begins with the failure of Lancelot's rebellion and the ruin of Arthur's marriage to Guinevere. The Saxons, sensing the disunity of the Britons, seize the chance to destroy Arthur. The climax of the war comes with the legendary triumph at Mount Badon, and Arthur's great victory. But the promises he made then come back to haunt him after the years of peace and glory.

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### DEATH ON THE TRANS-SIBERIAN EXPRESS

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**Hachette UK** 'Quirky and colourful' Times Crime Club 'An absolute delight' L C Tyler 'This intriguing but charming murder mystery is packed with psychological depth and wonderfully-drawn characters' Eleanor Ray *Welcome to Roslazny* - a sleepy Russian town where intrigue and murder combine to disturb the icy silence... Olga Pushkin, *Railway Engineer* (Third

Class) and would-be bestselling author, spends her days in a little rail-side hut with only Dmitri the hedgehog for company. While tourists and travellers clatter by on the Trans-Siberian Express, Olga dreams of studying literature at Tomsk State University - the Oxford of West Siberia - and escaping the sleepy, snow-clad village of Roslazny. But Roslazny doesn't stay sleepy for long. Poison-pen letters, a small-town crime wave, and persistent rumours of a Baba Yaga - a murderous witch hiding in the frozen depths of the Russian taiga - combine to disturb the icy silence. And one day Olga arrives at her hut only to be knocked unconscious by a man falling from the Trans-Siberian, an American tourist with his throat cut from ear to ear and his mouth stuffed with 10-ruble coins. Another death soon follows, and Sergeant Vassily Marushkin, the brooding, enigmatic policeman who takes on the case, finds himself falsely imprisoned by his Machiavellian superior, Chief-Inspector Babikov. Olga resolves to help Vassily by proving his innocence. But with no leads to follow and time running out, has Olga bitten off more than she can chew? Praise for *Death on the Trans-Siberian Express* 'The book is an absolute delight, evocative equally of the frozen steppes, bad vodka and worse sausage, and full of larger than life characters. Olga Pushkin is an endearing protagonist, who is hopefully set for a series as long as the Trans Siberian Railway.' L C Tyler 'Written with a warmth that would thaw Siberia, this intriguing but charming murder mystery is packed with psychological depth and wonderfully-drawn characters. It also features the best hedgehog I've met in a novel.' Eleanor Ray

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## **STARLA JEAN CRACKS THE CASE**

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## **THE BLOODY GROUND (THE STARBUCK CHRONICLES, BOOK 4)**

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HarperCollins UK **A superbly exciting novel which vividly captures the horror of the battlefield, The Bloody Ground is the fourth volume in the Starbuck Chronicles.**

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## **LIONHEART**

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### **A RIP-ROARING EPIC NOVEL OF ONE OF HISTORY'S GREATEST WARRIORS BY THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR**

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**REBEL. LEADER. BROTHER. KING. 1179.** Henry II is King of England, Wales, Ireland, Normandy, Brittany and Aquitaine. The House of Plantagenet reigns supreme. But there is unrest in Henry's house. Not for the first time, his family talks of rebellion. Ferdia - an Irish nobleman taken captive during the conquest of his homeland - saves the life of Richard, the king's son. In reward for his bravery, he is made squire to Richard, who is already a renowned warrior. Crossing the English Channel, the two are plunged into a campaign to crush rebels in Aquitaine. The bloody battles and gruelling sieges which followed would earn Richard the legendary name of Lionheart. But Richard's older brother, Henry, is infuriated by his sibling's newfound fame. Soon it becomes clear that the biggest threat to Richard's life may not be rebel or French armies, but his own family... 'A rip-roaring epic, filled with arrows and spattered with blood. Gird yourself with mail when you start.' Paul Finch 'Ben's deeply authoritative depiction of the time is delivered in a deft manner.' Simon Scarrow

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## **THE ARCHER'S TALE**

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### **BOOK ONE OF THE GRAIL QUEST**

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Harper Collins **From New York Times bestselling author Bernard Cornwell, the first book in the Grail Series—the spellbinding tale of a young man, a fearless archer, who sets out wanting to avenge his family's honor and winds up on a quest for the Holy Grail. A brutal raid on the quiet coastal English village of Hookton in 1342 leaves but one survivor: a young archer**

named Thomas. On this terrible dawn, his purpose becomes clear—to recover a stolen sacred relic and pursue to the ends of the earth the murderous black-clad knight bearing a blue-and-yellow standard, a journey that leads him to the courageous rescue of a beautiful French woman, and sets him on his ultimate quest: the search for the Holy Grail.

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Some it kills. Others it transforms. See beyond the illusion. The Great War has been over for years and a brave new world forged, one in which technology has delivered the future promised at the turn of the century. Liam grew up poor, but now, working for one of the richest families in Chicago, he reaps the benefits of his friendship with the family's son and heir. That's why he's at Club Artemis. It's a palace of art-deco delights and debauchery, filled to bursting with the rich and beautiful - and tonight they're all drinking one thing. Absynthe. The green liquor rumoured to cause hallucinations, madness, even death. While the gilded youth sip the viridescent liquid, their brave new world is crumbling beneath its perfect surface. Their absynthe is no mere folly. Some it kills, others it transforms. But in Liam something different has taken place: he can see the world without its illusion. And it isn't the perfect world the government want the people to believe... Praise for Absynthe: 'A complex feat of world-building that raises evergreen questions of truth and power with dizzying verve' Daily Mail

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## **DISNEY PRINCESS - MIXED: VILLAIN TALES**

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