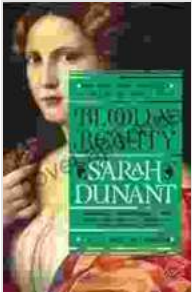


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Blood and Beauty is a gripping historical novel that transports readers to the heart of the Borgia family, one of the most powerful and notorious families in Renaissance Italy. Follow the rise of Rodrigo Borgia, the ambitious cardinal who became Pope Alexander VI, and his ruthless daughter, Lucrezia Borgia, as they navigate a world of intrigue, power, and passion.

Set against the backdrop of Renaissance Italy, a time of great artistic and intellectual achievement, **Blood and Beauty** is a story of ambition, betrayal, and the lengths to which people will go to achieve their goals. Rodrigo Borgia is a man driven by an insatiable thirst for power. He uses his cunning and ruthlessness to rise through the ranks of the Catholic Church, eventually becoming Pope. Lucrezia Borgia is a beautiful and

intelligent woman who is used as a pawn in her father's political games. She is married off to a series of powerful men, each of whom meets an untimely demise.

Blood and Beauty is a fascinating look at one of the most notorious families in history. The novel is full of vivid characters, rich historical detail, and a page-turning plot. It is a must-read for anyone interested in Renaissance Italy, the Borgia family, or historical fiction.

About the Author

Sarah Dunant is the author of several historical novels, including **The Birth of Venus**, **In the Company of the Courtesan**, and **Sacred Hearts**. She has also written non-fiction books on art and history. Dunant is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature and lives in London.

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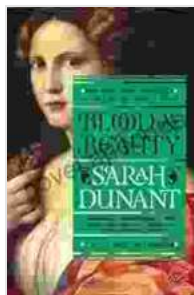
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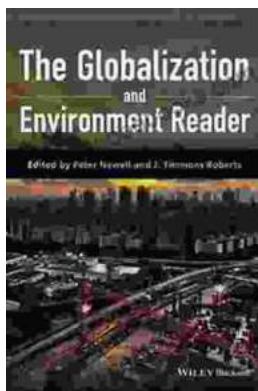
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