



The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction

By Julian D. Richards

Download now

Read Online 

The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction By Julian D. Richards

The Viking reputation is one of bloodthirsty seafaring warriors, repeatedly plundering the British Isles and the North Atlantic throughout the early Middle Ages. Yet Vikings were also traders, settlers, and farmers, with a complex artistic and linguistic culture, whose expansion overseas led them to cross the Atlantic for the first time in European history. Highlighting the latest archaeological evidence, Julian Richards reveals the whole Viking world: their history, their culture, and their legacy of overseas expansion for trade, colonization, and plunder. Viking identity is explored through what we have learned about their towns, art, shipbuilding, and religious rituals. Here the Viking story is brought up to the present, from the tales of adventure found in medieval Icelandic sagas, to their exploitation as a symbol of nationalism in the nineteenth century by Wagner, and later by Hitler and the Nazi party. The author also highlights their impact and influence on the history and people of Northern Europe. *Vikings*, a fascinating new look at a people and culture that have been reinvented throughout history, will take readers closer to discovering who they really were.

 [Download The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction ...pdf](#)

The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction

By Julian D. Richards

The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction By Julian D. Richards

The Viking reputation is one of bloodthirsty seafaring warriors, repeatedly plundering the British Isles and the North Atlantic throughout the early Middle Ages. Yet Vikings were also traders, settlers, and farmers, with a complex artistic and linguistic culture, whose expansion overseas led them to cross the Atlantic for the first time in European history. Highlighting the latest archaeological evidence, Julian Richards reveals the whole Viking world: their history, their culture, and their legacy of overseas expansion for trade, colonization, and plunder. Viking identity is explored through what we have learned about their towns, art, shipbuilding, and religious rituals. Here the Viking story is brought up to the present, from the tales of adventure found in medieval Icelandic sagas, to their exploitation as a symbol of nationalism in the nineteenth century by Wagner, and later by Hitler and the Nazi party. The author also highlights their impact and influence on the history and people of Northern Europe. *Vikings*, a fascinating new look at a people and culture that have been reinvented throughout history, will take readers closer to discovering who they really were.

The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction By Julian D. Richards Bibliography

- Sales Rank: #628179 in Books
- Brand: Oxford University Press USA
- Published on: 2005-11-03
- Original language: English
- Number of items: 1
- Dimensions: 4.30" h x .40" w x 6.80" l, .37 pounds
- Binding: Paperback
- 168 pages

 [Download The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction ...pdf](#)

Editorial Review

About the Author

Julian Richards is Professor of Archaeology at the University of York, and co-director of the Centre for Medieval Studies. He specialises in the archaeology of Anglo-Saxon and Viking Age England, and has directed several excavations of Viking settlements, including the only Viking cremation cemetery in the British Isles. Previous publications include *Viking Age England* (Tempus, 2000).

Users Review

From reader reviews:

Ruth Vigue:

Book will be written, printed, or illustrated for everything. You can realize everything you want by a e-book. Book has a different type. To be sure that book is important issue to bring us around the world. Close to that you can your reading skill was fluently. A reserve The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction will make you to always be smarter. You can feel considerably more confidence if you can know about every little thing. But some of you think that will open or reading some sort of book make you bored. It's not make you fun. Why they may be thought like that? Have you seeking best book or appropriate book with you?

Kelly Gomes:

Book is to be different for every single grade. Book for children until finally adult are different content. As you may know that book is very important for people. The book The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction was making you to know about other expertise and of course you can take more information. It doesn't matter what advantages for you. The book The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction is not only giving you considerably more new information but also to be your friend when you feel bored. You can spend your own spend time to read your reserve. Try to make relationship with all the book The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction. You never really feel lose out for everything should you read some books.

Byron Hiebert:

The event that you get from The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction will be the more deep you searching the information that hide within the words the more you get considering reading it. It doesn't mean that this book is hard to be aware of but The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction giving you buzz feeling of reading. The article author conveys their point in particular way that can be understood by simply anyone who read this because the author of this publication is well-known enough. This specific book also makes your personal vocabulary increase well. So it is easy to understand then can go together with you, both in printed or e-book style are available. We propose you for having this specific The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction instantly.

Donald Ventura:

Is it you actually who having spare time and then spend it whole day by watching television programs or just laying on the bed? Do you need something new? This The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction can be the response, oh how comes? A book you know. You are so out of date, spending your time by reading in this brand new era is common not a nerd activity. So what these books have than the others?

Download and Read Online The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction By Julian D. Richards #FDRI1WPOVZM

Read The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction By Julian D. Richards for online ebook

The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction By Julian D. Richards Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction By Julian D. Richards books to read online.

Online The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction By Julian D. Richards ebook PDF download

The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction By Julian D. Richards Doc

The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction By Julian D. Richards Mobipocket

The Vikings: A Very Short Introduction By Julian D. Richards EPub