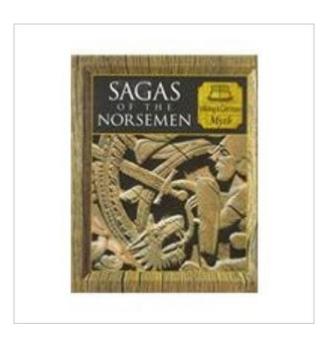
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A great synopsis of Viking and Nordic myth that delves into the pantheon of the Norse gods and through to the epic sagas of Iceland. A great reference as well as pure read gives short yet descriptive accounts of numerous stories and provided both cultuaral and historical evidence and information behind the myths. Does a great job as well of presenting the Myths and developing them on all aspects of the Norse mythology, presenting a trove of stories from creation to Ragnarok. This book as well presents the reader with a myriad of epics to choose that are action packed and great examples of heroic tales. Along with great descriptive passages and beautiful images this book will enthrawl and incite its readers to read further. As in most other Myth and Mankind books as well this one provides cultural aspects of the myths and even uses cultural descriptions of symbols and recurrent archetypes through the mythology. Does a great job as well as presenting the effects that the myths have had and their lasting presence even in today's society. Just simply with the beautiful images and descriptions this book can be either read leisurly one page to another or cover to cover. I Highly recommend this book as well as the rest of the MYTH AND MANKIND series.

The show "Vikings" will begin its third season in February 2015. I have watched every episode of every season and notice there is a huge following on social media. I was unfamiliar with their gods and their beliefs and their huge contributions to our history. I purchased this book to fill in the gaps. I understand much more of their culture now and have seen how accurately The History Channel is portraying them. Kudos to both The History Channel and to the writers of the book- very historically correct.

A noble companion edition to any Norse Myth Saga and Edda volume of traditional textual poetry and retellings. It gives the reader a strong feeling for the people and religion of the Viking era. It makes one feel the majesty of these people and also has many entries of the Wagnerian inspired Germanic sagas. An excellent additive source of perhaps more factual cultural data with powerful, in color, illustrations.

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