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*A History of Britain - Volume 1* - Simon Schama 2011-12-31  
Change - sometimes gentle and subtle, sometimes shocking and violent - is the dynamic of Simon Schama's unapologetically personal and grippingly written history of Britain, especially the changes that wash over custom and habit, transforming our loyalties. What makes or breaks a nation? To whom do we give our allegiance and why? And where do the boundaries of our community lie - in our hearth and home, our village or city, tribe or faith? What is Britain - one country or many? Has British history unfolded 'at the edge of the world' or right at the heart of it? Schama delivers these themes in a form that is at once traditional and excitingly fresh. The great and the wicked are here - Becket and Thomas Cromwell, Robert the Bruce and Anne Boleyn - but so are countless more ordinary lives: an Irish monk waiting for the plague to kill him in his cell at Kilkenny; a small boy running through the streets of London to catch a glimpse of Elizabeth I. The first in a series, this volume paints a rich and vivid portrait of the life of the British people and their nation.

**A History of the British Presence in Chile** - W. Edmundson 2009-10-26

This book sets out to narrate the contributions to and influence on the history of Chile that British visitors and immigrants have had, not as bystanders but as key players, starting in 1554 with the English Queen 'Bloody Mary' becoming Queen of Chile, and ending with the decline of British influence following the Second World War.

**The Penguin Illustrated History of Britain & Ireland** - Barry W. Cunliffe 2004

Presents an illustrated history of England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland. This title takes the reader on a journey from prehistoric times onwards, examining such topics as the spread of literacy, the development of transport, and the evolution of country houses on the way. It provides an introduction to British and Irish history.

*A History of Ancient Britain* - Neil Oliver 2011-09-15

Who were the first Britons, and what sort of world did they occupy? In *A History of Ancient Britain*, much-loved historian Neil Oliver turns a spotlight on the very beginnings of the story of Britain; on the first people to occupy these islands and their battle for survival. There has been human habitation in Britain, regularly interrupted by Ice Ages, for the best part of a million years. The last retreat of the glaciers 12,000 years ago brought a new and warmer age and with it, one of the greatest tsunamis recorded on Earth which struck the north-east of Britain, devastating the population and flooding the low-lying plains of what is now the North Sea. The resulting island became, in time, home to a diverse range of cultures and peoples who have left behind them some of the most extraordinary and enigmatic monuments in the world. Through what is revealed by the artefacts of the past, Neil Oliver weaves the epic story - half a million years of human history up to the departure of the Roman Empire in the Fifth Century AD. It was a period which accounts for more than ninety-nine per cent of humankind's presence on these islands. It is the real story of Britain and of her people.

**The Age of Decadence** - Simon Heffer 2021-04-06

A richly detailed history of Britain at its imperial zenith, revealing the simmering tensions and explosive rivalries beneath the opulent surface of the late Victorian and Edwardian eras. The popular memory of Britain in the years before the Great War is of a powerful, contented, orderly, and thriving country. Britain commanded a vast empire: she bestrode international commerce. Her citizens were living longer, profiting from civil liberties their grandparents only dreamed of and enjoying an expanding range of comforts and pastimes. The mood of pride and self-confidence can be seen in Edward Elgar's *Pomp and Circumstance*

marches, newsreels of George V's coronation, and London's great Edwardian palaces. Yet beneath the surface things were very different. In *The Age of Decadence*, Simon Heffer exposes the contradictions of late-Victorian and Edwardian Britain. He explains how, despite the nation's massive power, a mismanaged war against the Boers in South Africa created profound doubts about her imperial destiny. He shows how attempts to secure vital social reforms prompted the twentieth century's gravest constitutional crisis—and coincided with the worst industrial unrest in British history. He describes how politicians who conceded the vote to millions more men disregarded women so utterly that female suffragists' public protest bordered on terrorism. He depicts a ruling class that fell prey to degeneracy and scandal. He analyses a national psyche that embraced the motor-car, the sensationalist press, and the science fiction of H. G. Wells, but also the nostalgia of A. E. Housman.

**A History of Britain** - Simon Schama 2003

The first volume in this history of Britain tells the story of Britain from the time of the earliest settlements discovered in the Orkneys to the death of Queen Elizabeth the First.

**A History of British Publishing** - John Feather 2005-11-14

Thoroughly revised, restructured and updated, *A History of British Publishing* covers six centuries of publishing in Britain from before the invention of the printing press, to the electronic era of today. John Feather places Britain and her industries in an international marketplace and examines just how 'British', British publishing really is. Considering not only the publishing industry itself, but also the areas affecting, and affected by it, Feather traces the history of publishing books in Britain and examines: education politics technology law religion custom class finance, production and distribution the onslaught of global corporations. Specifically designed for publishing and book history courses, this is the only book to give an overall history of British publishing, and will be an invaluable resource for all students of this fascinating subject.

**A History of Britain** - E. H. Carter 2011-06-01

British & Irish history.

**The Book in Britain** - Daniel Allington 2019-03-11

Introduces readers to the history of books in Britain—their significance, influence, and current and future status Presented as a comprehensive, up-to-date narrative, *The Book in Britain: A Historical Introduction* explores the impact of books, manuscripts, and other kinds of material texts on the cultures and societies of the British Isles. The text clearly explains the technicalities of printing and publishing and discusses the formal elements of books and manuscripts, which are necessary to facilitate an understanding of that impact. This collaboratively authored narrative history combines the knowledge and expertise of five scholars who seek to answer questions such as: How does the material form of a text affect its meaning? How do books shape political and religious movements? How have the economics of the book trade and copyright shaped the literary canon? Who has been included in and excluded from the world of books, and why? *The Book in Britain: A Historical Introduction* will appeal to all scholars, students, and historians interested in the written word and its continued production and presentation.

*A New History of Britain* - Susan Kingsley Kent 2016-02-15

"Based on the most current scholarship concerning gender, race, ethnicity, and empire, this 15-chapter textbook comprehensively examines the development of and contestations against a British identity among the constituent parts of the United Kingdom since 1688. It takes seriously the role of Scotland, Wales, and Ireland in this process, and brings Britain's imperial subjects and lands into the narrative, showing

how integral empire was to the UK's historical development. It examines the role environmental factors in economic development and their impact on the health and welfare of British citizens and subjects; and it uses gender, in particular, to illuminate power dynamics across a variety of settings. All this in a manageable length"--Provided by publisher.

**A History of Britain** - Simon Schama 2003-01-01

Simon Schama's dramatic, broad-ranging, and immensely readable epic history of Britain reaches its triumphant conclusion in this third and final volume, which stretches from the American Revolution to the present.

"The Fate of Empire tells the eventful and exhilarating story of Britain's rise and fall as an imperial power, from the political turmoil of the 1770s to the struggle of present day leaders to find a way to make a different national future. The volume also examines the Romantic generation, the role of women in Victorian England, industrialization, and the liberal empire from Ireland to India, which promised material improvement, but delivered coercion and famine. As in the previous volumes, Schama vividly portrays the lives of extraordinary personalities - Queen Victoria, Churchill, Dickens, and "ordinary" individuals including the author of the first British travel guide, and Elizabeth Anderson, the first woman doctor. Finally, Schama asks an essential question: what kind of Britain can hold together when its island isolation and its imperial dominion have both vanished? An examination of the legacy of the British ideal of freedom is at the heart of this entertaining and well-researched book.

With "The Fate of Empire, Simon Schama has proven himself, again, as a masterful writer of narrative history.

**The Isles** - Norman Davies 2008-09-04

The bestselling and controversial new history of the 'British Isles', including Ireland from the author of *Europe: A History*. Emphasizing our long-standing European connections and positing a possible break-up of the United Kingdom, this is agenda-setting work is destined to become a classic. 'If ever a history book were a tract for the times, it is *The Isles: A History ... a masterwork.*' Roy Porter, *The Times* 'Davies is among the few living professional historians who write English with vitality, sparkle, economy and humour. The pages fly by, not only because the pace is well judged but also because the surprises keep coming.' Felipe Fernandez-Armesto, *Sunday Times* 'A book which really will change the way we think about our past . marvellously rich and stimulating' Noel Malcolm, *Evening Standard* 'A historiographical milestone.' Niall Ferguson, *Sunday Times* 'The full shocking force of this book can only be appreciated by reading it.' Andrew Marr, *Observer* 'It is too soon to tell if [Norman Davies] will become the Macaulay or Trevelyan of our day: that depends on the reading public. He has certainly made a good try. This is narrative history on the grand scale - compulsively readable, intellectually challenging and emotionally exhilarating.' David Marquand, *Literary Review*

**See Inside History of Britain** - Rob Lloyd Jones 2014-06-01

This lift-the-flap book for older children covers life in Britain from Anglo-Saxon invasions to the 21st century.

**The Magical History of Britain** - Martin Wall 2019-03-15

The first book to consider British history from a magical perspective, and how these arcane magical themes developed over time.

**A People's History Of Britain** - Rebecca Fraser 2011-06-08

Combining compelling narrative history with helpful chronology, *A People's History of Britain* tells the story - from the Romans to the present day - of the small northern islands off the coast of Europe which became the world's largest empire. Full of kings, queens and battles and the heroic individuals who created turning points in history, it is packed with anecdotes about British scientists, explorers, soldiers, traders, writers and artists.

**Imperial Island** - Paul Kléber Monod 2009-03-30

*Imperial Island: A History of Britain and its Empire, 1660-1837* is a comprehensive account of Great Britain's imperial path from the Stuart Restoration of 1660 to its emergence as a dominant global superpower. Suitable for students with no prior knowledge of British history Organized to help students and instructors: comprises 21 thematic chapters set within a clear, chronological framework Includes over 30 illustrations and maps to help orient the reader Addresses the new generation of American and British students that are interested in global, environmental, and cultural history

**A History of Modern Britain** - Andrew Marr 2009-03-06

*A History of Modern Britain* confronts head-on the victory of shopping over politics. It tells the story of how the great political visions of New Jerusalem or a second Elizabethan Age, rival idealisms, came to be defeated by a culture of consumerism, celebrity and self-gratification. In each decade, political leaders think they know what they are doing, but

find themselves confounded. Every time, the British people turn out to be stropplier and harder to herd than predicted. Throughout, Britain is a country on the edge - first of invasion, then of bankruptcy, then on the vulnerable front line of the Cold War and later in the forefront of the great opening up of capital and migration now reshaping the world. This history follows all the political and economic stories, but deals too with comedy, cars, the war against homosexuals, Sixties anarchists, oil-men and punks, Margaret Thatcher's wonderful good luck, political lies and the true heroes of British theatre.

**Small Island** - Philip Parker 2022-10-25

Discover the 12 crucial moments in Britain's past that will answer the greatest questions for our future in this richly insightful and fascinating history 'A richly entertaining canter through the country's past.

Engrossing' INDEPENDENT \_\_\_\_\_ In 878 the borders of Alfred the Great's Wessex were confined to a small patch of marshland in Somerset. This was Britain. Four centuries later, and the country straddled the English Channel, embracing much of what we now know as France. Six hundred years later, its boundaries were to be found in the Caribbean, the Arabian Sea, the Indian Ocean and the Sunda Strait. These, too, were Britain. Yet when - and where - did Britain begin? Is the shape of Britain led by the British - or are foreign powers more responsible for our borders than we realise? Is Britain justified in its island mentality? Will Britain ever be at ease with its own borders? And is the shape of Britain soon to change all over again? . . . This comprehensive, entertaining and concise new history uses twelve maps to explain Britain's most characteristic trait - our need to be both part of the wider world, yet separate from it. \*\*Please note a printing error in map 10 is now being fixed\*\*

**A History of Religion in Britain** - Sheridan Gilley 1994-09-20

This book is the first one volume history of religious belief and practice in England, Wales and Scotland. It covers the period from Roman times to the present and has been written by twenty-three scholars, all writing accessibly for a wide readership.

**1066 and All that** - Walter Carruthers Sellar 1997-03-01

**The American Future** - Simon Schama 2008

*The American Future: A History.*

**Scoff** - Pen Vogler 2021-10-07

**A history of Britain. Con CD Audio. Per le Scuole superiori** - Fiona Beddall 2008

**The Story of Britain** - Roy Strong 2018-06-14

THE CLASSIC HISTORY OF BRITAIN, FULLY UPDATED Roy Strong has written an exemplary introduction to the history of Britain, as first designated by the Romans. It is a brilliant and balanced account of successive ages bound together by a compelling narrative which answers the questions: 'Where do we come from?' and 'Where are we going?' Beginning with the earliest recorded Celtic times, and ending with the present day of Brexit Britain, it is a remarkable achievement. With his passion, enthusiasm and wide-ranging knowledge, he is the ideal narrator. His book should be read by anyone, anywhere, who cares about Britain's national past, national identity and national prospects.

**The Most Dangerous Enemy** - Stephen Bungay 2015-10-01

"The magnitude and vital importance of the Battle of Britain has found a superb chronicler in Stephen Bungay, whose book is the best single-volume history to be published in over a decade." - Andrew Roberts Stephen Bungay's magisterial history is acclaimed as the account of the Battle of Britain. Unrivalled for its synthesis of all previous historical accounts, for the quality of its strategic analysis and its truly compulsive narrative, this is a book ultimately distinguished by its conclusions - that it was the British in the Battle who displayed all the virtues of efficiency, organisation and even ruthlessness we habitually attribute to the Germans, and they who fell short in their amateurism, ill-preparedness, poor engineering and even in their old-fashioned notions of gallantry. An engrossing read for the military scholar and the general reader alike, this is a classic of military history that looks beyond the mythology, to explore all the tragedy and comedy; the brutality and compassion of war.

**The Cambridge History of the Book in Britain** - Former Director of the Warburg Institute and Professor Emeritus of the History of Classical Tradition J B Trapp 1999-12-09

The history of the book from 1400 to 1557: the transition from manuscripts to printed books.

**History of Britain** - E. H. Carter 2010

British & Irish history.

### **A Short History of Britain** - Jeremy Black 2015-02-26

Covering over 2,000 years in under 200 pages, Jeremy Black takes the reader on a breathless tour of British history, providing invaluable context for students of any period. A truly British overview, this book covers all four constituent parts of the UK, as well as migration to and from Britain, and introduces questions of national identity and collective memory. The author begins by considering how the geography of Britain has influenced its development and goes on to examine the formation of its society and political culture. Resisting the Whiggish tradition of triumphalist national histories, Jeremy Black provides a balanced and sensitive account in his trademark pithy style. This new edition has been considerably revised and expanded, bringing the coverage right up to the present day, including what the Scottish referendum on independence says about the nature of modern 'Britishness'.

### **A History of Britain in 21 Women** - Jenni Murray 2016-10-06

From the bestselling author of *A History of the World in 21 Women* They were famous queens, unrecognised visionaries, great artists and trailblazing politicians. They all pushed back boundaries and revolutionised our world. Jenni Murray presents the history of Britain as you've never seen it before, through the lives of twenty-one women who refused to succumb to the established laws of society, whose lives embodied hope and change, and who still have the power to inspire us today.

### **The Oxford History of Britain** - Kenneth O. Morgan 2021-02-25

A new edition of this best-selling history of Britain, from Roman times, now updated to cover the first decade of the 21st century. The Oxford History of Britain tells the story of Britain and its people over two thousand years, from the coming of the Roman legions to the present day. Encompassing political, social, economic, and cultural developments throughout the British Isles, the dramatic narrative is taken up in turn by ten leading historians who offer the fruits of the best modern scholarship to the general reader in an authoritative form. A vivid, sometimes surprising picture emerges of a continuous turmoil of change in every period, and the wider social context of political and economic tension is made clear. But consensus, no less than conflict, is a part of the story: in focusing on elements of continuity down the centuries, the authors bring out that special awareness of identity which has been such a distinctive feature of British society. By relating both these factors in the British experience, and by exploring the many ways in which Britain has shaped and been shaped by contact with Europe and the wider world, this landmark work brings the reader face to face with the past, and the foundations of modern British society. This updated new edition (by the original editor) adds great richness by taking the story down from the economic crisis of 2008 to the conflict over Europe at the present day.

### **Anatomy of a Nation** - Dominic Selwood 2021-09-23

From an obscure, misty archipelago on the fringes of the Roman world to history's largest empire and originator of the world's mongrel, magpie language - this is Britain's past. But, today, Britain is experiencing an acute trauma of identity, pulled simultaneously towards its European, Atlantic and wider heritages. To understand the dislocation and collapse, we must look back: to Britain's evolution, achievements, complexities and tensions. In a ground-breaking new take on British identity, historian and barrister Dominic Selwood explores over 950,000 years of British history by examining 50 documents that tell the story of what makes Britain unique. Some of these documents are well-known. Most are not. Each reveal something important about Britain and its people. From Anglo-Saxon poetry, medieval folk music and the first Valentine's Day letter to the origin of computer code, Hitler's kill list of prominent Britons, the Sex Pistols' graphic art and the Brexit referendum ballot paper, *Anatomy of a Nation* reveals a Britain we have never seen before. People are at the heart of the story: a female charioteer queen from Wetwang, a plague surviving graffiti artist, a drunken Bible translator, outlandish Restoration rakehells, canting criminals, the eccentric fathers of modern typography and the bankers who caused the finance crisis. Selwood vividly blends human stories with the selected 50 documents to bring out the startling variety and complexity of Britain's achievements and failures in a fresh and incisive insight into the British psyche. This is history the way it is supposed to be told: a captivating and entertaining account of the people that built Britain.

### **A History of Britain** - Jeremy Black 2017-08-18

A journey through the events of the postwar years that "makes the outcome of Britain's Brexit referendum much easier to comprehend" (Julian Lewis, member of Parliament). In 2016, Britain stunned itself and the world by voting to pull out of the European Union, leaving financial markets reeling and global politicians and citizens in shock. But was

Brexit really a surprise, or are there clues in Britain's history that pointed to this moment? In *A History of Britain: 1945 to Brexit*, award-winning historian Jeremy Black reexamines modern British history, considering the social changes, economic strains, and cultural and political upheavals that brought Britain to Brexit. This sweeping and engaging book traces Britain's path through the destruction left behind by World War II, Thatcherism, the threats of the IRA, the Scottish referendum, and on to the impact of waves of immigrants from the European Union. Along the way, Black overturns many conventional interpretations of significant historical events, provides context for current developments, and encourages the reader to question why we think the way we do about Britain's past.

### *A History of Britain* - Simon Schama 2001

### *Brief History* - William E. Burns 2009

*A Brief History of Great Britain* narrates the history of Great Britain from the earliest times to the 21st century, covering the entire island England, Wales, and Scotland as well as associated archipelagos such as the Channel Islands, the Orkneys, and Ireland as they have influenced British history. The central story of this volume is the development of the British kingdom, including its rise and decline on the world stage. The book is built around a clear chronological political narrative while incorporating treatment of social, economic, and religious issues. Coverage includes: Early Settlements, Celts, and Romans Anglo-Saxons, Scots, and Vikings Scotland, England, and Wales Britain in the Late Middle Ages The Making of Protestant Britain Industry and Conquest Britain in the Age of Empire An Age of Crisis The Age of Consensus A House Divided.

### **The History of Britain and Ireland** - Mike Corbishley 2006

History is about people, and this outstanding book explores the everyday lives of people of all kinds across the centuries: both the ordinary people, who are the lifeblood of a nation, and the extraordinary rulers, reformers, rebels, thinkers, scientists and artists who have been the pioneers of change. In compelling narrative, this book charts the great moments of social change, of discovery and invention, from the earliest settlers to the present day. A revised final chapter brings the story right up to date.

### *The Face of Britain* - Simon Schama 2015-09-16

Simon Schama brings Britain to life through its portraits, as seen in the five-part BBC series *The Face of Britain* and the major National Portrait Gallery exhibition *Churchill and his painter* locked in a struggle of stares and glares; Gainsborough watching his daughters run after a butterfly; a black Othello in the nineteenth century, the poet-artist Rossetti trying to capture on canvas what he couldn't possess in life, a surgeon-artist making studies of wounded faces brought in from the Battle of the Somme; a naked John Lennon five hours before his death. In the age of the hasty glance and the selfie, Simon Schama has written a tour de force about the long exchange of looks from which British portraits have been made over the centuries: images of the modest and the mighty; of friends and lovers; heroes and working people. Each of them - the image-maker, the subject, and the rest of us who get to look at them - are brought unforgettably to life. Together they build into a collective picture of Britain, our past and our present, a look into the mirror of our identity at a moment when we are wondering just who we are. Combining his two great passions, British history and art history, for the first time, Schama's extraordinary storytelling reveals the truth behind the nation's most famous portrayals of power, love, fame, the self, and the people. Mesmerising in its breadth and its panache, and beautifully illustrated, with more than 150 images from the National Portrait Gallery, *The Face of Britain* will change the way we see our past - and ourselves.

### *History of Britain and Ireland* - DK 2011-05-02

*The History of Britain and Ireland* traces the key events that shaped the societies living in the British Isles from the earliest times to the present day. From the Roman conquest of 43 CE to the Norman conquest of 1066, from the Elizabethan age of Shakespeare to the Victorian age of Charles Dickens, and from the Hundred Years War of the 14th and 15th centuries to the Iraq and Afghan wars of the 21st century, this beautifully illustrated book provides a definitive visual chronicle of the most colorful and defining episodes in British history. The story begins at least half a million years ago when humans started to make their home in Britain. Around 3000 BCE, the first Britons were making their mark on the landscape at remarkable sites such as the stone village of Skara Brae in Orkney and the earliest earthworks at Stonehenge. They entered the annals of recorded history with Julius Caesar's exploratory expedition across the Channel in the late summer of 55 BCE. From then on the small group of islands off the west coast of Europe was never far from

the center of world affairs: pioneering the industrial revolution, creating the largest empire the world has ever seen, fighting two world wars in the 20th century, and finally coming to terms with a new status in a fast-changing global economy. The History of Britain and Ireland combines a spread-by-spread narrative of events with a wealth of supporting features on the decisive turning points in the long and fascinating story of the British Isles, and on the outstanding individuals—from Geoffrey Chaucer and Queen Elizabeth I to Charles Darwin and Winston Churchill—who helped shape that story.

[A History of Self-Harm in Britain](#) - Chris Millard 2015-07-31

This book is open access under a CC BY license and charts the rise and fall of various self-harming behaviours in twentieth-century Britain. It puts self-cutting and overdosing into historical perspective, linking them to the huge changes that occur in mental and physical healthcare, social work and wider politics.

[The Story of Britain: From the Romans to the Present: A Narrative History](#) - Rebecca Fraser 2006-11-17

An anecdotal account about the men and women who helped found Britain's national institutions discusses how their achievements reflected

such historical endeavors as liberty, the rule of law, and parliamentary democracy, in an epic volume that features such individuals as Thomas More, William Wilberforce, and Winston Churchill. Reprint.

**The History of Britain** - Richard Dargie 2018-10-15

This highly illustrated, information-packed volume traces the history of the British Isles and its people from prehistory to the present day. Arranged in eight self-contained sections, each dealing with a major historical period, The History of Britain explores both well-known historical events such as the Norman invasions and the execution of Charles I, and lesser-known details like the uprisings in Dark Age Wales and the birth of tabloid newspapers in Victorian Britain. Find out how centuries of invasions and migrations shaped British society and culture; how four proud and fiercely independent territories finally came together to form the United Kingdom; how a small island nation rose to become a global power, controlling the largest empire the world had ever seen; and how that empire was lost and today's modern, multicultural Britain emerged. Chapters include: • Prehistoric Britain • Roman Britain • Invaders and Settlers • Medieval Britain • Early Modern Britain • Georgian Britain • Victorian Britain • The Twentieth Century and Beyond