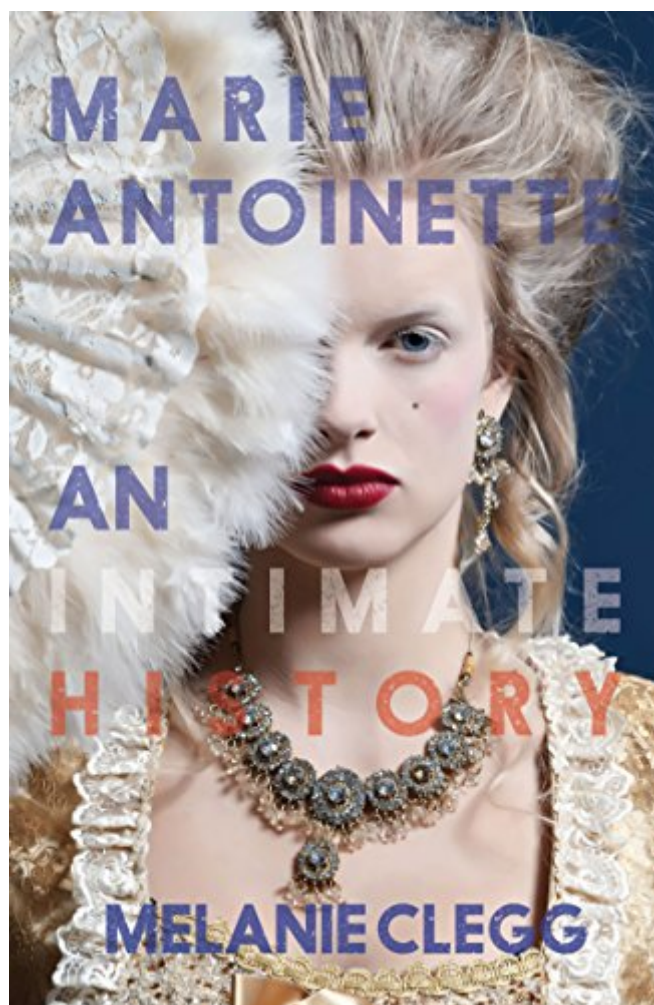


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As the youngest daughter of the Empress Maria Theresa of Austria, Marie Antoinette was born into a world of almost unbelievable privilege and power. As wife of Louis XVI of France she was first feted and adored and then universally hated as tales of her dissipated lifestyle and extravagance pulled the already discredited monarchy into a maelstrom of revolution, disaster and tragedy. This illustrated first biography by historian and writer Melanie Clegg takes a fresh look at the story of this most fascinating and misunderstood of queens, exploring her personal tribulations as well as the series of disasters that brought her to the guillotine in October 1793. Melanie Clegg is the author of five historical novels and is also a regular contributor to Majesty magazine and her own women's history blog Madame Guillotine. Her second biography, a life of Marie de Guise, is due to be published by Pen and Sword Books in 2016.

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Customer Reviews

This book is exactly what the author, Melanie Clegg, wanted it to be: a light yet thorough biography of Marie Antoinette. Told in her conversational yet informative style, this book is incredibly readable

and full of facts that were new to me. I particularly liked her description of the royal family's time in the Temple. Everything I've read previously made it sound like it was almost the same as Marie Antoinette's time in her cell at the Conciergerie, which it definitely was not. A highly entertaining and informative biography, recommended highly.

As an insight of the life and times of Marie Antoinette, Melanie Clegg's first biography is a great read. Fascinating details of Court life in the fishbowl of Versailles where the Royals were treated like exhibits in a zoo. As the author intended, this biography is light reading , and shows empathy for a much maligned queen. This is a book about a woman written for female readers.n

I've read almost everything written in English - and some in French - about Marie Antoinette, and this book offers details I've never read before. This is very well done.

Ms Clegg's book are always very readable and well-researched. I recommend them all.

I was delighted by the story and the history of Marie Antoinette I came away feeling a little heartbroken for her or young woman thrust into a situation she had no control of

I really enjoyed with book, full of useful information and the author did their research. I don't read historical biographies often, scared that they are just too dry and boring to keep my attention, but this kept my attention.

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I like the engaging story telling style of the author. You really do feel like you start to know this woman and are let in on the realities of her life.

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