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About the Author Mary Renault was born in London and educated at Oxford. She then trained for three years as a nurse, and wrote her first published novel, **Promise of Love**. Her next three novels

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