

BRIEF HISTORY OF THE MEDIEVAL CAVALRY

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Brief history of the medieval cavalry will show you the knights' preparation and training. As well as their investiture, their animals, their armor, their swords and other weapons, and their clothes and colors. This story will portray their role in the crusades in the East and the North, and their decline in combat with the appearance of new weapons.

Its author, Manuel J. Prieto —a specialist in the subject— will rediscover through his rigorous and amusing work the different types of medieval warriors; those men whose existence was destined to fight in times of war and peace. Through his theoretical explanations and concrete facts, with which he will illustrate the story, the reader will be able to understand how and why the medieval cavalry evolved.

Biography

Manuel J. Prieto (Salamanca, 1975) is the author of several historical books and publications. He has also published essays in the field of technology and a good number of fiction stories. His website is a benchmark of the Spanish blogosphere: Curistoria contains anecdotes, curiosities and historical information, that he has been writing for the past ten years. Prieto has collaborated with different radio programs and digital magazines, and is the winner of several literary contests.



Sales pitch

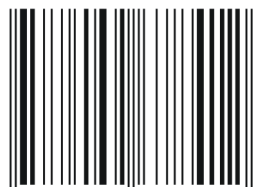
- *Brief history of medieval cavalry* is an extensive and rigorous journey through the Middle Ages' Knights' story (their formation, their evolution, their daily life, the weapons they used and their downturn). In addition, this work could be considered a first contact to the medieval society, a feudal society, their most important battles, etc.

- Opposite to many of the publications, this work moves away from the Eurocentric vision that other titles have towards an explanation of the many types of medieval warriors, regardless of where they come from. In this *Brief History* the reader will find medieval Muslim warriors, Mamelukes, Mongols, Turks, Byzantines, and late medieval knights.

- This written work is pleasant, and the author splashes it with a lot of surprising and curious facts that will make the reader remember the most important aspects of the cavalry.

- Manuel J. Prieto, is a history enthusiast. He created in 2006 the blog —Curistoria— that brings the reader the curious, striking and enjoyable parts of history. As a result of this successful blog he participates with his "curistorias" in Onda Cero; additionally he has published several works ("Curistorias de la Segunda Guerra Mundial," "Submarinos, relatos de espectaculares y arriesgadas operaciones de la guerra submarina"), given speeches at different schools and collaborated in numerous publishing projects.

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