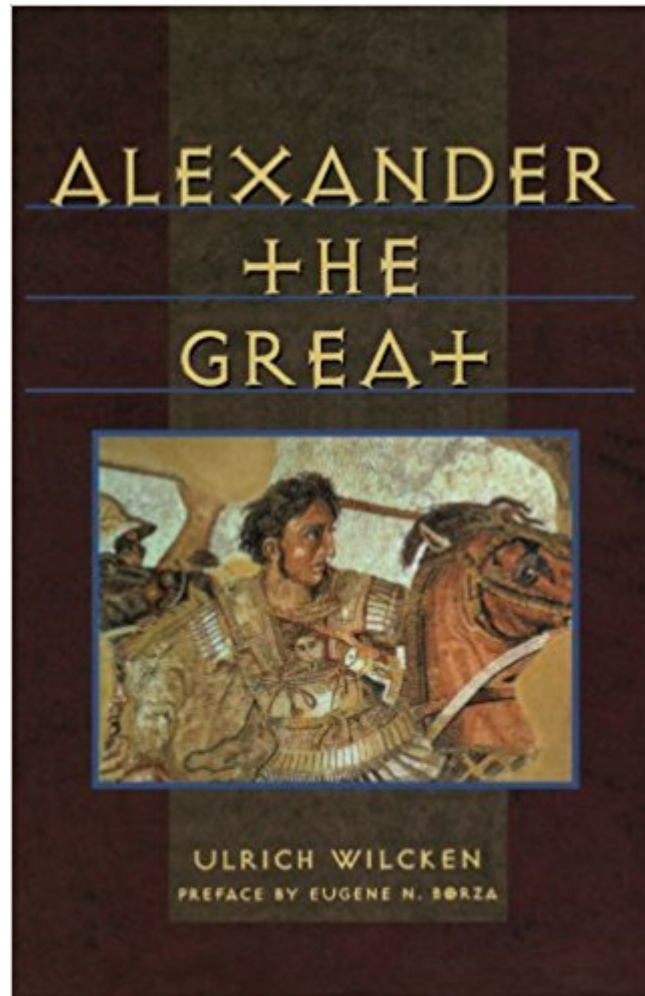




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Used non-fiction book as described.

I wanted to learn more about the life of Alexander and this book certainly served that purpose. The author communicated the challenges inherent in piecing together information about him well. Therefore, the narrative was rife with caveats, as it should be, and led to a more complete understanding of his life story.

I love reading about Alexander the Great and a friend recommended this one to me and so I purchased it. If you are an Alexander fan, I would recommend this book highly. It is very interesting and well written, Ms. Fox made a history book highly entertaining and hard to put down.

Very detailed, but at the same time never intimidating. Very well written. Vividly paints the picture of a fascinating, gifted, if not a complicated man.

Definitive work, slightly different from other books on Alexander giving more details on climate, battles and people surrounding Alexander.

This book was very academic, deep and somewhat not chronological at times.

I'm just a casual enthusiast of history, I am not a scholar or academic in this field. I have been a huge admirer of Alexander the Great since my childhood. I thought I would read this book on his life before the movie "Alexander" came out (which was awful by the way) just to see if the film was accurate in its portrayal. I don't have nearly enough knowledge to dispute what the author wrote, whether this or that event actually happened or when a certain battle took place. The book gets a bit confusing at times since it is so detailed, but it really allows the reader to see all the power struggles and politics of the time. It's not an easy book to read, but it's very enlightening. I can see how it might be "too much" for some readers, such as myself. I felt it was a bit too indepth at times. The author does a good job at pointing out how one event may have been documented in two or more ways and usually states what really must have happened. The book also shows us a more personable side to Alexander, not just his accomplishments.

Excellent

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