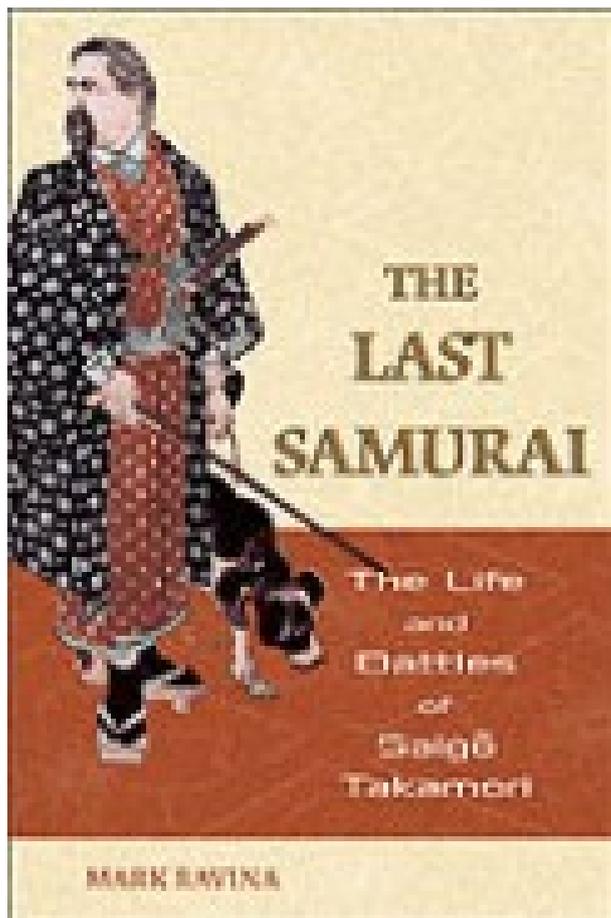


The Last Samurai



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The dramatic arc of Saigo Takamoria s life, from his humble origins as a lowly samurai, to national leadership, to his death as a rebel leader, has captivated generations of Japanese readers and now Americans as well -- his life is the inspiration for a major Hollywood film, *The Last Samurai*, starring Tom Cruise and Ken Watanabe. In this vibrant new biography, Mark Ravina, professor of history and Director of East Asian Studies at Emory University, explores the facts behind Hollywood storytelling and Japanese legends, and explains the passion and poignancy of Saigoa s life.

Known both for his scholarly research and his appearances on The History Channel, Ravina recreates the world in which Saigo lived and died, the last days of the samurai. *The Last Samurai* traces Saigoa s life from his early days as a tax clerk in far southwestern Japan, through his rise to national prominence as a fierce imperial loyalist. Saigo was twice exiled for his political activities ---- sent to Japana s remote southwestern islands where he fully expected to die.

But exile only increased his reputation for loyalty, and in 1864 he was brought back to the capital to help his lord fight for the restoration of the emperor. In 1868, Saigo commanded his lorda s forces in the battles which toppled the shogunate and he became and leader in the emperor Meijia s new government. But Saigo found only anguish in national leadership. He understood the need for a modern conscript army but longed for the

days of the traditional warrior. Saigo hoped to die in service to the emperor. In 1873, he sought appointment as envoy to Korea, where he planned to demand that the Korean king show deference to the Japanese emperor, drawing his sword, if necessary, to defend imperial honor.

Denied this chance to show his courage and loyalty, he retreated to his homeland and spent his last years as a schoolteacher, training samurai boys in frugality, honesty, and courage. In 1876, when the government stripped samurai of their swords, Saigo's followers rose in rebellion and Saigo became their reluctant leader. His insurrection became the bloodiest war Japan had seen in centuries, killing over 12,000 men on both sides and nearly bankrupting the new imperial government.

The imperial government denounced Saigo as a rebel and a traitor, but their propaganda could not overcome his fame and in 1889, twelve years after his death, the government relented, pardoned Saigo of all crimes, and posthumously restored him to imperial court rank. In *THE LAST SAMURAI*, Saigo is as compelling a character as Robert E. Lee was to Americans--a great and noble warrior who followed the dictates of honor and loyalty, even though it meant civil war in a country to which he had devoted his life. Saigo's life is a fascinating look into Japanese feudal society and a history of a country as it struggled between its long traditions and the dictates of a modern future.

Slagmarkene i øst gir livet ny mening for soldaten fra vest.

Han er en soldat som prøver å drikke vekk minnene om all djevleskapen han har sett på. "The last samurai" av Helen DeWitt - Se omtaler, sitater og terningkast. Se hva andre mener om denne boka, og. Lei og se filmen Den siste samurai med Tom Cruise, Ken Watanabe, Billy Connolly, Masato Harada. Se filmer online på Viaplay.no Tom Cruise spiller borgerkrigshelten kaptein Nathan Algren, som kommer til Japan for å slåss mot samuraiene og ender opp med å kjempe for deres sak. Spesialiteter: Last Samurai is a Japanese Steak, Seafood house and Sushi Bar. Our Japanese dinner is prepared by your own chef, cooked to perfection on a hot.

Last Samurai III - STENGT i Sandy, anmeldelser skrevet av ekte mennesker. Yelp er en gøy og enkel måte å finne, anbefale og prate om hva som er bra og mindre bra i. The last samurai Helen DeWitt The last samurai av Helen DeWitt Chatto and Windus 2000 Innbundet. Våre tjenester. I tillegg til å være Norges største filmnettsted, tilbyr Filmweb en rekke digitale tjenester og produkter: Norgesbilletten: Kinogavekort for. Actionfylt samuraispill, der alle onde krefter må bekjempes med kastestjerner, granater og god timing! Handling: Amerikansk actioneventyr fra 2003. Nathan Algren, veteran fra den amerikanske borgerkrigen, hyres inn til å trene opp en japansk hær som skal bekjempe.