

# Stilton Literary Agency



## Apprentice of War

Original title: Den siste Vikingkongen - Krigens læregutt  
Publisher: Gyldendal 2016  
Fiction / Historical Novel  
78000 Words  
English sample translation available - 100 pages

## Jan Ove Ekeberg

Jan Ove Ekeberg (b. 1954) lives in Fredrikstad, journalist and until recently; head of TV 2 Financial News. Today he is a fulltime author. He has written several non-fiction books, children's literature and several historical suspense novel series. His first series, IN TIMES OF SWORDS (three volumes), is set in the 12th century. His second series, THE LAST VIKING KING (five volumes) tells the story of Harald Hardrada and is set in 11th century. In his new series, LEGIONNAIRE, the story is set in Scandinavian Roman era, in the 4th century. Jan Ove Ekeberg has recently published a first volume of a graphic novel-series called HARDRADA together with illustrator Nils Axle Kanten.

**Selected title by NORLA - extensive translation grants available.**

In the autumn of 1028, the Norwegian king is forced to flee. The Danish king, Cnut the Great, runs Olaf Haraldsson out of the country. Olaf travels east to Russia accompanied by only his most trusted men. His younger half-brother, Harald, remains at home. So does the severely injured Rane Kingsward, once the most feared of all Vikings. The old Viking teaches the stubborn young boy his weaponry skills. When the old berserker sets out on horseback from the estate, it is with Harald chained to the back of another like a slave. Thus begins a long journey for the obstinate apprentice and his unyielding master.

*Apprentice of War* is the first book in a series **THE LAST VIKING KING**, based on Harald Hardråde's adventurous life.

### Foreign rights

Cicero/Rosinante & Co (Denmark)  
Heyne Verlag (Germany)  
Perseus (Bulgaria)  
Tukan Förlag (Sweden)

*Historical novel from the top division.*

Geir Vestad, Hamar Arbeiderblad

*Home run from viking era.*

Katrine Krøger, Dagbladet

### Other titles

Legionnaire. The Barbarians from the North (2025)  
Hardrada: Brother of the viking king (2024)  
The Viking Age in 200 Pages (2022)  
Death's Commander (2021)  
Enemy of Peace (2020)  
Imperial Mercenary (2019)  
The Devil's Horseman (2018)  
The Merciful Terrorist (2015)  
The Holy Shrine (2013)  
Regicides (2012)  
The Era of Swords (2011)