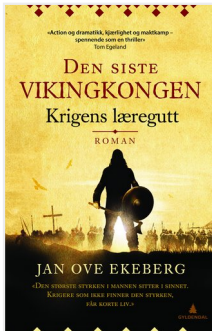


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Apprentice of War

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

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

Jan Ove Ekeberg

Jan Ove Ekeberg (b. 1954) lives in Fredrikstad, journalist and till recently; head of TV 2 Financial News, today a full time author. Ekeberg's debut was a biography on former PM, Gro Harlem Brundtland (1996). Since then Ekeberg has written several non-fiction books, children's books and novels. Ekeberg reached a large audience with his first historical suspense series **IN TIMES OF SWORDS** (2011-2013), set in the 12th century.

His new series featuring the Viking king Harald Hardråde, was launched in spring 2016 to marvellous reviews. He aims to deliver the sequels *The Devil's Horseman* and *Imperial Mercenary* by 2020.

Other titles

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)