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Marie-Antoinette - 50minutes 2017-03

Keen to learn but short on time? Get to grips with the life of Marie-Antoinette in next to no time with this concise guide. 50Minutes.com provides a clear and engaging analysis of the life and reign of Marie-Antoinette. In 1789, a bloody revolution broke out in France, and four years later the king and queen were executed. A range of factors led to this shocking outcome, from Marie-Antoinette's perceived frivolity and disloyalty to France to the role of an increasingly powerful and hostile press. Marie-Antoinette is one of the iconic figures of French history and continues to fascinate and divide opinion even today. In just 50 minutes you will: - Learn about Marie-Antoinette's upbringing in Austria and her marriage to Louis XVI of France - Evaluate her behaviour as dauphine and queen of France, which gave her a reputation for carelessness and frivolity - Analyse how her reputation and reaction to the events of the French Revolution led to her unpopularity and downfall ABOUT 50MINUTES.COM History & Culture 50MINUTES.COM will enable you to quickly understand the main events, people, conflicts and discoveries from world history that have shaped the world we live in today. Our publications present the key information on a wide variety of topics in a quick and accessible way that is guaranteed to save you time on your journey of discovery.

*Marie Antoinette's Head* - Will Bashor 2013-10-16

Marie Antoinette has remained atop the popular cultural landscape for centuries for the daring in style and fashion that she brought to 18th century France. For the better part of the queen's reign, one man was entrusted with the sole responsibility of ensuring that her coiffure was at its most ostentatious best. Who was this minister of fashion who wielded such tremendous influence over the queen's affairs? Winner of the Adele Mellen Prize for Distinguished Scholarship, Marie Antoinette's Head: The Royal Hairdresser, The Queen, and the Revolution charts the rise of Leonard Autie from humble origins as a country barber in the south of France to the inventor of the Pouf and premier hairdresser to Queen Marie-Antoinette. By unearthing a variety of sources from the 18th and 19th centuries, including memoirs (including Léonard's own), court documents, and archived periodicals the author, French History professor and expert Will Bashor, tells Autie's mostly unknown story. Bashor chronicles Leonard's story, the role he played in the life of his most famous client, and the chaotic and history-making world in which he rose to prominence. Besides his proximity to the queen, Leonard also had a most fascinating life filled with sex (he was the only man in a female dominated court), seduction, intrigue, espionage, theft, exile, treason, and possibly, execution.

*Memoirs of Marie Antoinette, Queen of France and Wife of Louis XVI* - Mme Campan (Jeanne-Louise-Henriette) 1910

Queen of Fashion - Caroline Weber 2007-10-02

In this dazzling new vision of the ever-fascinating queen, a dynamic young historian reveals how Marie Antoinette's bold attempts to reshape royal fashion changed the future of France Marie Antoinette has always stood as an icon of supreme style, but surprisingly none of her biographers have paid sustained attention to her clothes. In Queen of Fashion, Caroline Weber shows how Marie Antoinette developed her reputation for fashionable excess, and explains through lively, illuminating new research the political controversies that her clothing provoked. Weber surveys Marie Antoinette's "Revolution in Dress," covering each phase of the queen's tumultuous life, beginning with the young girl, struggling to survive Versailles's

rigid traditions of royal glamour (twelve-foot-wide hoopskirts, whalebone corsets that crushed her organs). As queen, Marie Antoinette used stunning, often extreme costumes to project an image of power and wage war against her enemies. Gradually, however, she began to lose her hold on the French when she started to adopt "unqueenly" outfits (the provocative chemise) that, surprisingly, would be adopted by the revolutionaries who executed her. Weber's queen is sublime, human, and surprising: a sometimes courageous monarch unwilling to allow others to determine her destiny. The paradox of her tragic story, according to Weber, is that fashion—the vehicle she used to secure her triumphs—was also the means of her undoing. Weber's book is not only a stylish and original addition to Marie Antoinette scholarship, but also a moving, revelatory reinterpretation of one of history's most controversial figures.

**Queen of France** - Andre Castelot 2009-11

This is the biography of one of the most tragic women in History. It is the story of a frivolous young girl who threw wild parties and spent a lot of her husband's money and for that reason, and that reason alone, she had her head chopped off in public. The back cover photo here shows Marie Antoinette being given her last rights by a clergyman as she was waiting before the guillotine for the executioners to cut off her head, and while a crowd of thousands watched. Her last words were one of apology to one of her executioners, when she accidentally stepped on his foot. All of the events of the Life of Marie Antoinette are brilliantly explained in this biography by Andre Castelot. The most haunting and harrowing pages of the biography are Castelot's darkly etched picture of the Queen in the culminating moments of her life. Perhaps it is not in the least a paradox that one of the most arrantly self-indulgent women should, in her adversity, provide one of the most memorable images of mother love."

**Marie Antoinette** - Michael W. Simmons 2017-11-05

Three-foot-tall hairdos, "let them eat cake," and the guillotine: this is the sum total of what most people know about Marie Antoinette, the last Queen of France. The wife of King Louis XVI and the daughter of Maria Teresa, Holy Roman Empress did, indeed, wear her hair three feet high, when she wasn't wearing straw bonnets and simple muslin gowns and playing at being a dairymaid at her fantasy retreat of Petit Trianon. But she never said "let them eat cake," nor was she the vain, shallow creature who was said to have drained the coffers of France to pay for her luxuriant amusements. The guillotine was real, however. In this book, you will read about life of the woman who was born an insignificant archduchess, who defied all expectations for her future by marrying the heir to the throne of France, only to go seven years without consummating her marriage. The victim of a misogynistic, sex-obsessed tabloid pamphlet industry, Marie Antoinette went from being a popular young queen to the most hated woman in France. The national obsession with the foreign born queen ignited a revolution, destroying a thousand year old monarchy-and the lives of everyone she loved.

*Queen of France* - André Castelot 1957

*Who Was Marie Antoinette?* - Dana Meachen Rau 2015-10-06

From the palaces of Austria to the mirrored halls of Versailles, Marie Antoinette led a charmed life. She was born into royalty in 1755 and married the future king of France at age 15. By 21 she ascended to the throne and enjoyed a lavish lifestyle of masquerade balls, sky-high wigs, and extravagant food. But her taste for excess ruffled many feathers. The poor people of France blamed Marie Antoinette for their poverty. Her

spending helped incite the French Revolution. And after much public outcry, in 1793 she quite literally lost her head because of it. Whether she was blameless or guilty is debatable, but Marie Antoinette remains woven into the fabric of history and popular culture.

**Last Days of Marie Antoinette** - Lord Ronald Sutherland Gower 1886

**Marie Antoinette** - Annunziata Asquith 1976

"In May 1770 the fourteen-year-old Marie Antoinette crossed the Rhine as the bride of the future Louis XVI of France... Overtaken by events that were not of her own making, she came in the final tragedy to find her true character as a wife and a mother... With the courage of one woman facing an entire nation, she climbed the scaffold before a crowd to whom she had once been the center of admiration, now an object of hatred, the last Queen of France"--from front jacket flap.

*History of Maria Antoinette.* by - John S. C. Abbott 2017-10-14

Marie Antoinette ( born Maria Antonia Josepha Johanna; 2 November 1755 - 16 October 1793) was the last Queen of France before the French Revolution. She was born an Archduchess of Austria, and was the penultimate child of Empress Maria Theresa and Francis I, Holy Roman Emperor. In April 1770, upon her marriage to Louis-Auguste, heir apparent to the French throne, she became Dauphine of France. On 10 May 1774, when her husband ascended the throne as Louis XVI, she assumed the title Queen of France and Navarre, which she held until September 1791, when, as the French Revolution proceeded, she became Queen of the French, a title she held until 21 September 1792. After eight years of marriage, Marie Antoinette gave birth to a daughter, Marie Therese of France, the first of her four children. Despite her initial popularity, a growing number of the population eventually came to dislike her, accusing her of being profligate, promiscuous, [2] and of harbouring sympathies for France's enemies, particularly her native Austria.[3] The Affair of the Diamond Necklace damaged her reputation further. During the Revolution, she became known as Madame Deficit because the country's financial crisis was blamed on her lavish spending and her opposition to the social and financial reforms of Turgot and Necker. During the Revolution, after the government had placed the royal family under house arrest in the Tuileries Palace in October 1789, several events linked to Marie Antoinette, in particular the June 1791 attempted flight to Varennes and her role in the War of the First Coalition, had disastrous effects on French popular opinion. On 10 August 1792, the attack on the Tuileries forced the royal family to take refuge at the Assembly, and on 13 August the family was imprisoned in the Temple. On 21 September 1792, the monarchy was abolished. After a two-day trial begun on 14 October 1793, Marie Antoinette was convicted by the Revolutionary Tribunal of high treason and executed by guillotine on the Place de la Revolution on 16 October 1793..... John Stevens Cabot Abbott (September 19, 1805 - June 17, 1877), an American historian, pastor, and pedagogical writer, was born in Brunswick, Maine to Jacob and Betsey Abbott. John Stevens Cabot Abbott (September 19, 1805 - June 17, 1877), an American historian, pastor, and pedagogical writer, was born in Brunswick, Maine to Jacob and Betsey Abbott. Early life He was a brother of Jacob Abbott, and was associated with him in the management of Abbott's Institute, New York City, and in the preparation of his series of brief historical biographies. Dr. Abbott graduated at Bowdoin College in 1825, prepared for the ministry at Andover Theological Seminary, and between 1830 and 1844, when he retired from the ministry in the Congregational Church, preached successively at Worcester, Roxbury and Nantucket, all in Massachusetts.[1] Literary career Owing to the success of a little work, *The Mother at Home*, he devoted himself, from 1844 onwards, to literature. He was a voluminous writer of books on Christian ethics, and of popular histories, which were credited with cultivating a popular interest in history. He is best known as the author of the widely popular *History of Napoleon Bonaparte* (1855), in which the various elements and episodes in Napoleon's career are described. Abbott takes a very favourable view towards his subject throughout. Also among his principal works are: *History of the Civil War in America* (1863-1866), and *The History of Frederick II, Called Frederick the Great* (New York, 1871). He also did a forward to a book called *Life of Boone* by W.M. Bogart, about Daniel Boone in 1876. In general, except that he did not write juvenile fiction, his work in subject and style closely resembles that of his brother, Jacob Abbott....

**Marie Antoinette** - Heather Schwartz 2012-07-30

This fascinating biography details the life of the last Queen of France, Marie Antoinette. The detailed

images, illustrations, and interesting facts allow readers to learn more about her arranged marriage to King Louis XVI, life at the Palace of Versailles, what she did to become such a controversial queen, and the royal family's stay at the Tuileries Palace. The supportive text works in conjunction with the accessible glossary and index to give readers the tools they may need to better understand the content and vocabulary.

**The Memoirs of Marie Antoinette, Queen of France** - Madame Campan 2018-09-20

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**Pocket Bios: Marie Antoinette** - Al Berenger 2019-03-19

A colorfully illustrated, pocket-size picture book biography of the last queen of France, Marie Antoinette. Marie Antoinette was born Archduchess of Austria and married Louis-Auguste, future King Louis XVI, when she was only 14 years old. At the age of 19, she became the last queen of France before the French Revolution in 1789. She was notorious for lavish spending, parties and gambling. Famously thought to have said "Let them eat cake!" Marie's actions fueled the fury that brought about the French Revolution, and she remains an intriguing figure to this day. Pocket Bios are full of personality, introducing readers to fascinating figures from history with simple storytelling and cheerful illustrations. Titles include men and women from history, exploration, the sciences, the arts, the ancient world, and more.

**Confessions of Marie Antoinette** - Juliet Grey 2013-09-24

A novel for fans of Philippa Gregory and Michelle Moran, *Confessions of Marie Antoinette* blends rich historical detail with searing drama, bringing to life the first years of the French Revolution and the final days of the legendary French queen. Versailles, 1789. As the burgeoning rebellion reaches the palace gates, Marie Antoinette finds her privileged and peaceful life swiftly upended by violence. Once her loyal subjects, the people of France now seek to overthrow the crown, placing the heirs of the Bourbon dynasty in mortal peril. Displaced to the Tuileries Palace in Paris, the royal family is propelled into the heart of the Revolution. There, despite a few staunch allies, they are surrounded by cunning spies and vicious enemies. Yet despite the political and personal threats against her, Marie Antoinette remains, above all, a devoted wife and mother, standing steadfastly by her husband, Louis XVI, and protecting their young son and daughter. And though the queen secretly attempts to arrange her family's rescue from the clutches of the rebels, she finds that they can neither outrun the dangers encircling them nor escape their shocking fate. Advance praise for *Confessions of Marie Antoinette* "Juliet Grey brings her trilogy on Marie Antoinette's life to a triumphant finale, depicting with sensitivity and compelling vividness the collapse of a bygone glamorous world and the courageous transformation of its ill-fated queen."—C. W. Gortner, author of *The Queen's Vow* "A heartfelt journey with Marie Antoinette in her wrenching last days . . . We see the end looming that is still veiled from her eyes, and knowing her hopes are in vain makes it all the more poignant. Far from the 'let them eat cake' woman of legend, Juliet Grey's Marie Antoinette reveals herself to be a person we can admire for her courage, her loyalty, and her love of her family and her adopted country, France."—Margaret George Look for special features inside. Join the Random House Reader's Circle for author chats and more.

**The Private Life of Marie Antoinette, Queen of France and Navarre** - Mme Campan (Jeanne-Louise-Henriette) 1883

*Marie Antoinette and the Downfall of Royalty* - Imbert de Saint-Amand 1891

**The Life of Marie Antoinette, Queen of France** - Charles Duke Yonge 1876

**Memoirs of the Court of Marie Antoinette, Queen of France, Complete - Being the Historic Memoirs of Madam Campan, First Lady in Waiting to the Queen** - Jeanne Campan 2018-03-02  
Madame Campan shares her experiences of life in the Royal Court of Marie Antoinette, in the years preceding the Queen's execution amid the carnage of the French Revolution and the Reign of Terror. As perhaps the most preferred servant and lady-in-waiting in the French court, Henriette Campan was in a fine position to observe and comment on the affairs of the court. As a close confidante of Marie Antoinette, she offers readers insight into the Queen's character, revealing a nuanced person whose reputation for arrogance and disdain is perhaps undeserved. In this detailed and eloquent account of one of the most

tumultuous places and periods of European history, we are thrust into the palaces and opulence of the court. Daily life, from administration of the Kingdom to various meetings and discussions between guests and courtiers, allows Campan to build a compelling atmosphere. Much of the biography is occupied not with the upheaval of the era, but of the characters and behaviors of the aristocracy in France. We hear of how Louis XVI and various other nobles conducted themselves and ruled, what their traits were and how the brewing discontent among the population gradually turned from a matter of minor concern, to a major crisis, to spelling the end of the French monarchy. It is in this book's later chapters that arguably the most drama ensues; the executions, first of the king and later of Marie Antoinette itself, are described by Campan. The final, unhappy months of Antoinette's life are remembered by her most trusted and preferred servant: Campan describes the emotions of the Queen as her fortunes decline amid the chaos and drama of political upheaval.

Marie Antoinette - Stefan Zweig 2017-05-02

"The most influential biography of Marie Antoinette." —Guardian "Bids fair to be the definitive life of that tragic queen." —New York Times International Bestseller: One of the great writers of the 20th century paints a vivid portrait of one of the most famous, complex, and controversial characters in European history. Stefan Zweig based his biography of Marie Antoinette, who became the Queen of France at the age of fifteen, on the correspondence between her and her mother, and her great love the Count Axel von Fersen. Zweig analyzes the chemistry of a woman's soul from her intimate pleasures to her public suffering as a Queen under the weight of misfortune and history. Zweig describes Marie Antoinette in the King's bedroom, in the enchanted and extravagant world of the Trianon, and with her children. And in his account of The Revolution, he describes her resolve during the failed escape to Varennes, her imprisonment in the Conciergerie and her final tragic destiny under the guillotine. Stefan Zweig's account has been the definitive biography of Marie Antoinette since its publication, inspiring Antonia Fraser and the recent film adaptation.

*Memoirs of the Court of Marie Antoinette, Queen of France, Complete* - Mme. Campan 2019-11-19

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**The Last Days of Marie Antoinette and Louis XVI** - Rupert Furneaux 1990

The fall of the French monarchy, imprisonment and death. What actually happened to the young Dauphin after his parents' death.

Marie-Antoinette - Helene Delalex 2016-07-01

Marie-Antoinette (1755-1793) continues to fascinate historians, writers, and filmmakers more than two centuries after her death. She became a symbol of the excesses of France's aristocracy in the eighteenth century that helped pave the way to dissolution of the country's monarchy. The great material privileges she enjoyed and her glamorous role as an arbiter of fashion and a patron of the arts in the French court, set against her tragic death on the scaffold, still spark the popular imagination. In this gorgeously illustrated volume, the authors find a fresh and nuanced approach to Marie-Antoinette's much-told story through the objects and locations that made up the fabric of her world. They trace the major events of her life, from her upbringing in Vienna as the archduchess of Austria, to her ascension to the French throne, to her execution at the hands of the revolutionary tribunal. The exquisite objects that populated Marie-Antoinette's rarefied surroundings—beautiful gowns, gilt-mounted furniture, chinoiserie porcelains, and opulent tableware—are depicted. But so too are possessions representing her personal pursuits and private world, including her sewing kit, her harp, her children's toys, and even the simple cotton chemise she wore as a condemned prisoner. The narrative is sprinkled with excerpts from her correspondence, which offer a glimpse into her personality and daily life. Visually rich and engaging, Marie-Antoinette offers a fascinating look at the multifaceted life of France's last, ill-fated queen.

*The Memoirs of Marie Antoinette, Queen of France* - Madame Campan 2018-09-20

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**Marie Antoinette: The Last Queen of France. the Entire Life Story** - The History Hour 2018-10-17  
The last Queen of FranceDownload for FREE on Kindle Unlimited + Free Bonus Inside!Read on your Computer, Mac, Smartphone, Kindle Reader, iPad, or Tablet.As you begin to read this book, you will undoubtedly feel that Queen Marie Antoinette and King Louis XVI led spoiled lives. You will be right in what you think; but you will also find out that with their parents arranging their marriages at a very young age, neither of them was ever able to experience the feelings of young love. Because Antoinette was from Austria, she had to be married twice, once in Austria and then again in France. When married in Austria her husband to be could not be present, so, weird as it seemed, her brother stood in for the groom. Inside you

Marie-Antoinette - John Hardman 2019-09-10

A new look which fundamentally overturns our understanding of this famously "out of touch" queen "Presents [Marie-Antoinette] as much more than a symbol whose meaning is in the eye of her beholder . . . neither martyr nor voluptuary but rather a serious participant in politics."--Lynn Hunt, New York Review of Books "Splendid. . . . Masterly. . . . A wonderfully gripping biography."--Allan Massie, Wall Street Journal Named a Book of the Year (2020) by The Spectator Who was the real Marie-Antoinette? She was mistrusted and reviled in her own time, and today she is portrayed as a lightweight incapable of understanding the events that engulfed her. In this new account, John Hardman redresses the balance and sheds fresh light on Marie-Antoinette's story. Hardman shows how Marie-Antoinette played a significant but misunderstood role in the crisis of the monarchy. Drawing on new sources, he describes how, from the outset, Marie-Antoinette refused to prioritize the aggressive foreign policy of her mother, Maria-Theresa, bravely took over the helm from Louis XVI after the collapse of his morale, and, when revolution broke out, listened to the Third Estate and worked closely with repentant radicals to give the constitutional monarchy a fighting chance. For the first time, Hardman demonstrates exactly what influence Marie-Antoinette had and when and how she exerted it.

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**Marie Antoinette** - Evelyne Lever 2001-09-24

A stunning new biography of the legendary French queen explores the scandal, intrigue, and regal extravagance surrounding her life, as well as the events leading up to her death on the guillotine. Reprint.

*Marie Antoinette* - Hourly History 2018-08-08

Marie AntoinetteHer name was Marie Antoinette. She was the last queen of France and among the most notorious of royalty ever to wear the crown. But besides the tales that would make the national enquirer blush, just what do we know about Marie Antoinette? While the peasants of France were starving for lack of bread did she really say, "Let them eat cake!"? Or was it all a carefully crafted smear campaign? Inside you will read about...  
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□ The Failed Wedding Night  
□ Madame Deficit  
□ The Roots of Revolution  
□ Under the Protection of Lafayette  
□ The Last French King and Queen  
And much more!  
Animosity against Marie Antoinette, the Austrian-born woman that many French citizens viewed as a transplanted upstart, had been brewing for several years. But was there any truth to their claims of the queen squandering resources and neglecting the lives of her subjects? In this book we seek to cut through centuries of bias and preconceived notions when it comes to Marie Antoinette. Never mind what you may think you know about this sensational sovereign, here we seek to find the real person behind the historical quips and catchphrases. Come along as we rediscover the life and legend of the ill-fated last queen of France-Marie Antoinette.

*Marie Antoinette* - Captivating History 2020-01-20

Marie Antoinette is one of history's most celebrated queens thanks to her style and confidence, yet generally she is perceived as a greedy and selfish mistress of France. Despite popular belief, Marie Antoinette was not entirely obsessed with pretty dresses and towering hairstyles-though she wouldn't quite have been the same without them.

**Memoirs of the Private Life of Marie Antoinette, Queen of France and Navarre** - Mme Campan (Jeanne-Louise-Henriette) 1823

**Marie Antoinette's Darkest Days** - Will Bashor 2016-12-01

This compelling book begins on the 2nd of August 1793, the day Marie Antoinette was torn from her family's arms and escorted from the Temple to the Conciergerie, a thick-walled fortress turned prison. It was also known as the "waiting room for the guillotine" because prisoners only spent a day or two here before their conviction and subsequent execution. The ex-queen surely knew her days were numbered, but she could never have known that two and a half months would pass before she would finally stand trial and be convicted of the most ungodly charges. Will Bashor traces the final days of the prisoner registered only as Widow Capet, No. 280, a time that was a cruel mixture of grandeur, humiliation, and terror. Marie Antoinette's reign amidst the splendors of the court of Versailles is a familiar story, but her final imprisonment in a fetid, dank dungeon is a little-known coda to a once-charmed life. Her seventy-six days in this terrifying prison can only be described as the darkest and most horrific of the fallen queen's life, vividly recaptured in this richly researched history.

**The Story of Marie-Antoinette** - Anna L. Bicknell 1897

Marie Antoinette - Dena Goodman 2013-10-23

Marie-Antoinette is one of the most fascinating and controversial figures in all of French history. This volume explores the many struggles by various individuals and groups to put right Marie's identity, and it simultaneously links these struggles to larger destabilizations in social, political and gender systems in France. Looking at how Marie was represented in politics, art, literature and journalism, the contributors to this volume reveal how crucial political and cultural contexts were enacted "on the body of the queen" and on the complex identity of Marie. Taken together, these essays suggest that it is precisely because she came to represent the contradictions in the social, political and gender systems of her era, that Marie remains such an important historical figure.

**Marie Antoinette** - Antonia Fraser 2010-06-24

'Drama, betrayal, religion and sex, it's all here ... Fascinating' GUARDIAN 'Beautifully paced, impeccably written ... Don't miss it' INDEPENDENT 'Fraser is at her best here, lucid, authoritative and compassionate' SUNDAY TIMES 'Superbly researched ... the definitive work on the ill-fated queen' CATHOLIC HERALD Marie Antoinette's dramatic life-story continues to arouse mixed emotions. To many people, she is still 'la reine méchante', whose extravagance and frivolity helped to bring down the French monarchy; her indifference to popular suffering epitomised by the (apocryphal) words: 'let them eat cake'. Others are equally passionate in her defence: to them, she is a victim of misogyny. Antonia Fraser examines her influence over the king, Louis XVI, the accusations and sexual slurs made against her, her patronage of the arts which enhanced French cultural life, her imprisonment, the death threats made against her, rumours of lesbian affairs, her trial (during which her young son was forced to testify to sexual abuse by his mother) and her eventual execution by guillotine in 1793.

*Marie Antoinette* - Antonia Fraser 2002-11-12

France's iconic queen, Marie Antoinette, wrongly accused of uttering the infamous "Let them eat cake," was alternately revered and reviled during her lifetime. For centuries since, she has been the object of debate, speculation, and the fascination so often accorded illustrious figures in history. Married in mere girlhood, this essentially lighthearted child was thrust onto the royal stage and commanded by circumstance to play a significant role in European history. Antonia Fraser's lavish and engaging portrait excites compassion and regard for all aspects of the queen, immersing the reader not only in the coming-of-age of a graceful woman, but in the culture of an unparalleled time and place.

*Marie Antoinette's Confidante* - Geri Walton 2016-09-30

The true story of the woman who befriended the last queen of France—and the price she paid for her devotion. Perhaps no one knew Marie Antoinette better than one of her closest confidantes, Marie Thérèse, the Princess de Lamballe. The princess became superintendent of the queen's household in 1774, and through her relationship with Marie Antoinette, she gained a unique perspective of the lavishness and daily

intrigue at Versailles. Born into the famous House of Savoy in Turin, Italy, Marie Thérèse was married at the age of seventeen to the Prince de Lamballe, heir to one of the richest fortunes in France. He transported her to the gold-leafed and glittering chandeliered halls of the Château de Versailles, where she soon found herself immersed in the political and sexual scandals that surrounded the royal court. As the plotters and planners of Versailles sought, at all costs, to gain the favor of Louis XVI and his queen, the Princess de Lamballe was there to witness it all. This book reveals the Princess de Lamballe's version of these events and is based on a wide variety of historical sources, helping to capture the waning days and grisly demise of the French monarchy. The story immerses you in a world of titillating sexual rumors, bloodthirsty revolutionaries, and hair-raising escape attempts—a must read for anyone interested in Marie Antoinette, the origins of the French Revolution, or life in the late eighteenth century.

*Memoirs of the Court of Marie Antoinette, Queen of France* - Mme Campan (Jeanne-Louise-Henriette) 1843

**Marie Antoinette** - Évelyne Lever 2001-03-01

In Marie Antoinette leading French historian Evelyne Lever tells the compelling story of the last, and most infamous, Queen of France. She draws on little explored sources including Austrian and Swedish archives and the correspondence of foreign ambassadors to Paris to paint vivid portraits of the Queen, her inner circle and the lavish court life at Versailles, as well as the tragic events leading to her death. - Describes the queen's life in detail, from her birth in Vienna, through her turbulent, unhappy marriage, the intrigues of life at court, to the final bloody turmoil of the French Revolution and her beheading - Describes Marie Antoinette's relationship with the Swedish Count Axel Fersen, the grand passion of her life - Describes the seething social and political climate of prerevolutionary France and the degree to which the Queen remained wilfully out of touch with the nation's economic troubles - Based on little known diaries, letters, court documents and memoirs - Hailed by the critics as 'evocative', 'lively and informed' and 'erudite' *French Revolution: A Captivating Guide to the French Revolution, the Life of Marie Antoinette and the Impact Made by Napoleon Bonaparte* - Captivating History 2019-01-09

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