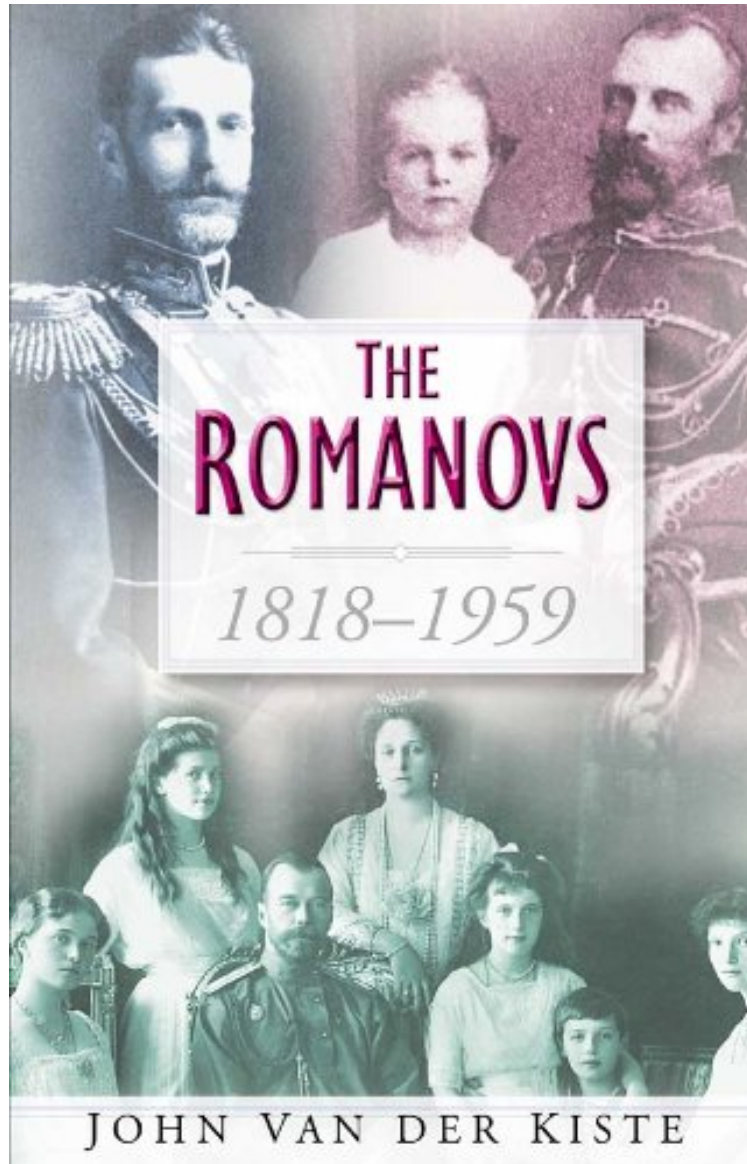


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Alexandrowna died, the "last" Grand Duchess. Well, I forgot that Alexander II was married twice. His second wife was Princess Catherine Dolgoruky, who was created Princess Yurievskaya. His daughter from this second marriage and his last child to die was Princess Catherine Yourievskaya who died on 22 December 1959. This time frame makes it already clear that this book focuses on the Czar Alexander II and his family, including Czar Alexander III. It is not so much about the last Czar Nicolas II or rather in an indirect way as the family of Alexander II was the wider family of Nicolas II and the "famous uncles" had a great influence on the last Czar and the reputation of the dynasty as a whole. By following the ups and down of the Imperial clan and the relationships of its members one is learning and understanding a lot about the functioning or non functioning of the Imperial Family, whose unity was precarious and whose members' life style and often odd sense of responsibility contrasted too harshly with the respect demanded. This all had an impact on the history of Russia. It was part and parcel leading up to the revolution. This book really filled a gap. One understands a quite bit more about the Imperial clan and why one might regard him as doomed. The Romanovs were by far not only victims of the revolution but have to bear lots of responsibility for their own downfall. They were in charge and they could have turned the wheel. They did not. They did not deserve to be shot in cellars (none does!), but losing power and wealth is a different matter. This book is written in the usual excellent style of van der Kiste, extremely readable and giving in depth information. It is a pleasure to read. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Fascinating, good read Von Ein Kunde Focuses on the family and descendants of Alexander II. Primarily concerns secondary members of the Imperial Family. If you are familiar with the Romanovs, you'll enjoy reading about the lives of some of the lesser known family members. The book contains some nice photos of the family. I recommend this book to anyone who has an interest in royalty. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Fascinating, good read Von Ein Kunde Focuses on the family and descendants of Alexander II. Primarily concerns secondary members of the Imperial Family. If you are familiar with the Romanovs, you'll enjoy reading about the lives of some of the lesser known family members. The book contains some nice photos of the family. I recommend this book to anyone who has an interest in royalty.

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