



Legends of the Renaissance: The Life and Legacy of Niccolo Machiavelli (Paperback)

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Createspace, United States, 2013. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. *Includes pictures of Machiavelli and important people and places. *Explains the historical background of Machiavelli's life and the political context within which he wrote *The Prince*. *Discusses lingering controversies surrounding Machiavelli and his work, including whether *The Prince* was intended as a satire or an effort to spark a rebellion. *Includes a Bibliography for further reading. The assumptions of the entire western political tradition from Plato onwards were called into question by a generation of radical thinkers, of whom the greatest and most radical was Niccolo Machiavelli. - James Hankins No epitaph can match so great a name, reads the inscription on Niccolo Machiavelli's tomb in the church of Santa Croce in Florence. Such praise of the notorious author of *The Prince*, the teacher of evil, according to Leo Strauss, may seem misplaced to those with only a passing knowledge of one of history's most famous political philosophers and theorists. Ever since Machiavelli penned his 1513 treatise on princely rule and the politics of reality, a work that infamously advises rulers to abandon virtue and...

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