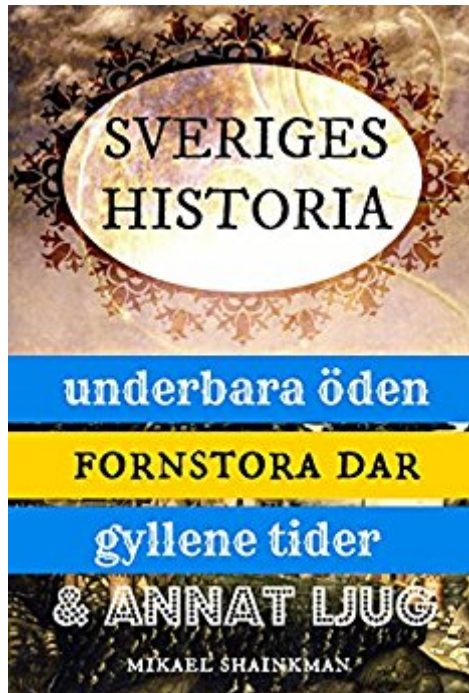


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Synopsis

Svenskarna trodde länge att historien var dödd. Folkhem, rekordår och valfångst uppfattades som ett radikalt brott med det förflytna. De där fornstora dagarna som nationalsången yv över kändes lika främmande som om de hade inträffat i ett annat land. Och det ska vi nog, i årlighetens namn, vara rätt glada över. För man kan säga mycket om hur det var för, men bättre var det inte. Men sedan hände något. Svenskarna började misstänka att ryktet om historiens död var betydligt överdrivet. Kanske hade det något med Berlinmurens fall att göra. Eller kanske Herman Lindqvists charm. Folk började i alla fall intressera sig för det förflytna. Tyvärr rosar svenska historiker inte direkt marknaden med läsvärliga kioskvaltare. Med några få undantag är det mesta som skrivs av historiker av facket så torrt att det riskerar att själva ända om det lämnas utomhus på varma dagar. Resultatet har blivit att svenskarna bara har blytunga, gravallvarliga skildringar av sitt förflytna att tillgå. Det är synd. Sveriges historia är nämligen full av stor, om den oftast oavsiktlig, komik. Med den här boken försöker Mikael Shainkman komma till rätta med problemet genom att ge en lätt och humoristisk överblick över Sveriges historia. Syftet är att roa, men inte bara. Boken är baserad på noggranna kallstudier och tunga, respekterade historiska verk. Alla datum, namn och till och med värderleksrapporter är baserade på skriftliga källor. Endast dialogerna är varsamma rekonstruktioner av hur orden förmodligen låt det begav sig.

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Customer Reviews

It really is - worth reading. Never seen before. No wonder the author has fled the battlefield after glasshouse having been stonebombed by green of envy colleagues! I would like to be carried on stretchers (by the way, almost the only way because of weak legs) to hear this man lecturing of these topics. What is so special and fascinating in this Shainkman's book of the Swedish history? - the way he brings it forth. There are ways and ways. Telling a nation's history requires a serene approach and traditional wording. Shainkman does it in a very different manner: telling gossip after gossip after gossip... all the way from stone age to present time. You don't know, whether laugh or cry, but soon you start speeding and enjoying the very green grass root level text and expecting the next wooden leg joke about that and that well-known celebrity or event. Gossip style, but never crossing the border of good taste or malevolence or lack of due respect. For me the top outcome of the whole story is the impression that most wars of the past were begun for personal whims and coquetry of the regents. The glory gained sooner or later ending to scrap heap or to the croft of the hero, usually sooner. Remember only Gustaf II Adolf dying on the battle field defending his faith far from home or Karl XII returning tail between legs incognito from his grand European tournee after his protector the Sultan getting fed up with a too long stay of the guest. Another tone of the book are the high level love stories with most entertaining low level very human intimacies. All in all, a very entertaining book smuggling all essentials of the patriotic history. Five stars without the least hesitation. 20150428

This is a book every Swede must read as a compensation for all dull and tedious lectures in history at school. As Askö Korpela, who has got everything right (see above), it is a pleasure to read all the gossips with the conviction that Mikael Shainkman knows the Swedish history better than most of us. Just as Katarina Hult (see below) I laughed all through, and I still have a smile on my face. How could it be, that Mikael Shainkmans books are not to be found in Swedish bookshops? To Mikael I would like to say: "I am certain your time as a serious scientist is limited, but please give us more of your wonderful spirit of humor, which is even more striking when dealing with topics like this!" Elisabet Fogelqvist

Love it! Mikael Shainkman is marvelously ironic, sarcastic and funny - at the same time you are fully aware that he knows full well what he's talking (writing) about - and he does it brilliantly. A must read!

Sveriges historia berättad med snustorr humor och glimten i Ångat. Det är sållan man skrattar hÅngt nÅr man lÅser en historiebok.

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