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## Kings of the Grail

Tracing the Historic Journey of the Holy Grail from Jerusalem to Spain

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Published for the first time in English, *Kings of the Grail* reveals the location of the Holy Grail. The Cup of Christ has been the subject of legend for centuries, but the authors have uncovered previously untranslated documents from the Al-Azhar Library in Cairo. Sensationally, they reveal that the Chalice of Doña Urraca in the basilica of San Isidro in León, Spain, is the venerated goblet from the Last Supper.

The culmination of a meticulous three-year investigation by leading Spanish academics, *Kings of the Grail* is an accessible and absorbing history of this holiest of relics. The authors draw on evidence from the gospels, the writings of early pilgrims in the Holy Land, previously unpublished Islamic parchments, Grail legends, clues in the frescoes of the basilica itself, a detailed examination of the materials and condition of the goblet and the fascinating stories of other pseudo-Grails to support the identification of the San Isidro chalice.

The goblet's centuries in Jerusalem are documented, before the Grail is gifted to Ferdinand I, King of the Spanish territory of León, by the Islamic Emir of Dénia. The stories of the many other candidates retold here are as extraordinary as that of the true Grail: the Valencia chalice, the Nanteos Cup, the Hawkstone Grail, the Ardagh Chalice, Genoa's Sacro Catino, the Antioch Chalice and the Sang Real theory of Christ's bloodline among them.

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