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Mary, Queen of Scots was the only daughter of James V, King of Scotland. She was a few days old when she acceded to the throne upon his death.

A devout Catholic, Mary grew up in France and was both married and widowed there. She returned to Scotland, a country split between Catholics and Protestants, and in political turmoil.

However, she soon sought to remarry and here begins her tumultuous life that sealed her time as Queen of Scots.

Marjorie Bowen's account of Mary Stuart's romantic and tempestuous life, is undoubtedly one of the most distinguished and readable historical biographies ever written.

Mary's own complex and emotional character, the jealousy and violence that surrounded her life with her husbands and her lovers, and the plots and counterplots that marred her relationship with Elizabeth I and brought about her tragic death, are brilliantly described.

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Born in 1885, Marjorie Bowen (pseudonym of Margaret Gabrielle Vere Campbell Long) was one of Britain's most prolific authors of the twentieth century. Writing was more than just a hobby: her works were the primary source of financial support for her family. Between 1906 and her death in 1952, Bowen wrote over 150 books, garnering much acclaim for her popular histories and historical and gothic romances. Alongside masterful descriptions and concise, efficient prose, she deftly rendered larger-than-life subjects in the minds of her readers. To this day, aficionados of the genres covet Bowen's work.

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