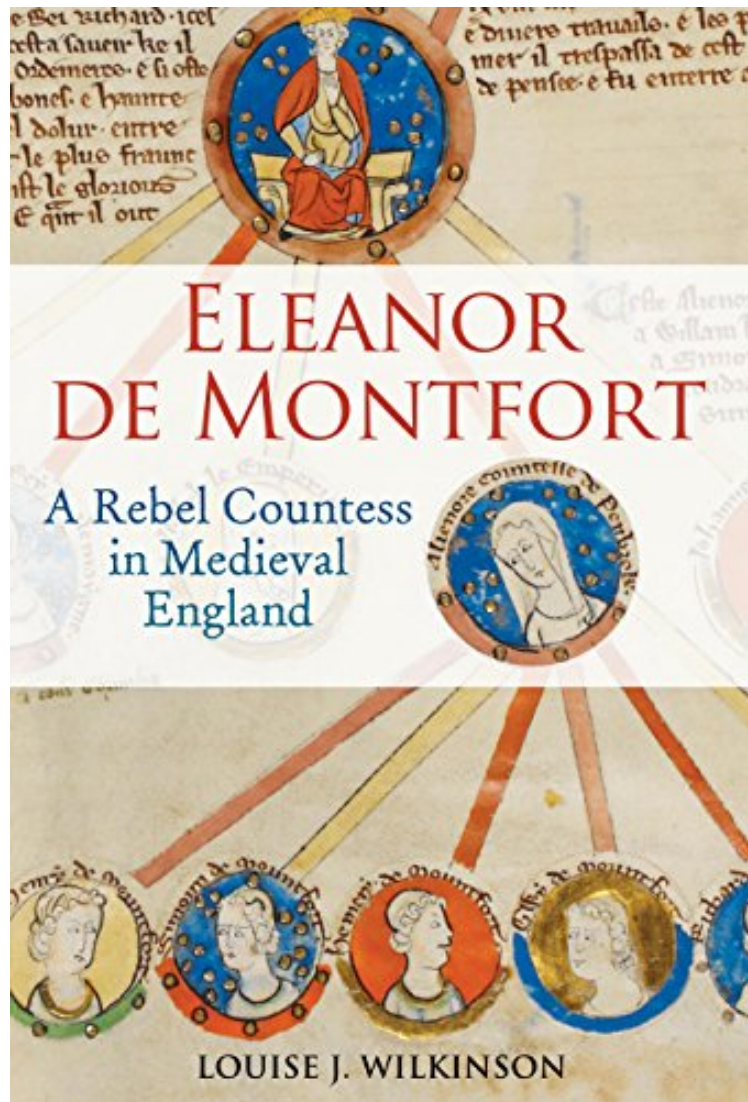


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Kundenrezensionen Hilfreichste Kundenrezensionen 1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. a little bit one-sided! Von Jorg W The book gives insight about the family history of the Plantagenets after the well known generation of Richard Lionheart and his brother King John and focuses on the life of Eleonor de Montfort - youngest daughter of King John. Probably due to the lack of sources it is quite difficult to retrace the life of this lady. Most of

the sources available, deal with her dower lands and her difficulty to make her claim for either the land or money and therefore the book gets a little bit one-sided. Still it is a book worth reading for those who are interested in this particular time in history.

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