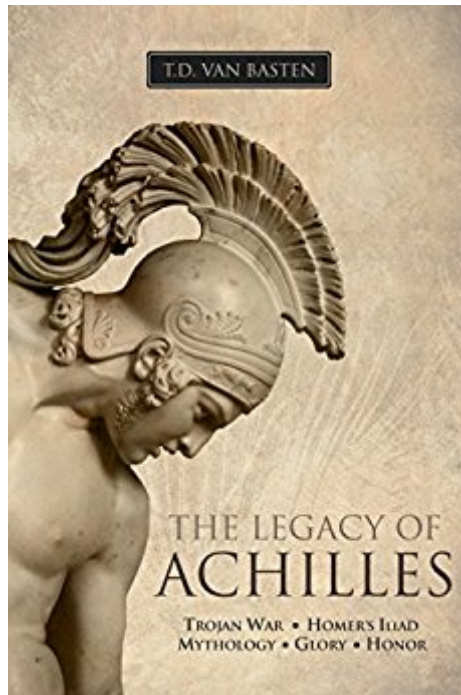


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Hero of the Trojan War The legend of Achilles is one of the greatest legends in the Greek mythology and one of its oldest. His fame survived through centuries and his legend is enhanced by thousands of details in the Iliad poem. Achilles's best traits are glory and honor, he was so eager to follow these exploits with his inseparable friend Patroclus. He preferred, despite the multiple warnings of his mother Thetis, a short but glorious life. Thetis's beauty, bravery, fortitude and valuable protection that she provided to Achilles would grant him the approval of Greek Goddesses, such as Hera and Athena, which greatly helped him to increase his fame. He was actually more than just a hero; Achilles was considered in ancient times as a demi-god and revered in many parts of Greece. He dedicated his entire life to pursuing a glorious afterlife, seeking to be surrounded by his deities with whom he shared his life and pleasures in an eternal joy atmosphere, interspersed with feasting and fighting endlessly for the sake of honor and greatness. Achilles decided consciously to leave his human life behind and engrave his name through his noble acts in the Greek world and the world in general. He wanted history to identify him as an "immortal God" rather than a coward who chose a long life over fighting to his last breath in a battle of death. By choosing a short life, Achilles has given history the reason to remember him for eternity and built his legend, because after all his choice complies with what he is and who he truly was; a Goddess and a king's child. The courage he displayed, which his name is forever associated with, is what true heroism is about. To learn more about Achilles and the Battle of Troy, scroll to the top and click the BUY button!

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I will do my best to be as objective as possible. The story begins with a lovely preface and introduction that really pulls you into the ancient world and the life of Achilles. He has always been known for his furious and rage outbreaks, which will be explained more in detail while youâ™re getting into the first chapter that goes by the name of âœA Life of Rage and Thirst for Honor and Gloryâ•. You will also find some references to Homerâ™s Iliad here, which is spread out through the book. Continuing to Chapter 2 and 3, you will walk Achillesâ™ journey from birth to adult. He was given an option that would decide his faith for his life. You will also be introduced to centaur Chiron who raised and educated Achilles as a little child. Going onwards to chapter 4 âœChoosing Honor and Gloryâ•, this is the biggest chapter of the book and also the most interesting in my opinion. The author tells you the story of Troy and the indecisive mind of Achilles at first, but luckily for Greece, changing his mind after hearing about the horrors of his friend. The final chapter walks you through the events that occurred after the rage storm of Achilles. A sad and catchy story. The conclusion describes the story from different views, admired by many, but not really showing any social concerns for his family and the citizens of Greece. All in all, this is a wonderful story..

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I was surprised to find many anecdotes of Homer's Iliad. I read a few pages of Homer's book, and as explained in this one, there are many references found to Achilles by Homer. Achilles was truly considered as the hero of Greece. I believe that the mythology of this story is also a life lesson, which I vaguely remember reading by the author. It is better to live a short and glorious life instead of a sad and boring long life. Achilles made the decision without thinking and walked the glorious path to become a legend. I enjoyed the stories told within this book, it was a nice mixture of a novel and information.

amazing! i was lucky enough to pick this book up for free during a promotion, and I was quite surprised by the fact that it was available for free. I've always been quite involved and interested in history, and ancient Greece definitely stands in my top 3 list. This is not only a very interesting book for educational purpose, but it's also highly engaging with numerous mythology stories based around Achilles and his companions. This book may not be for free at the time you're reading this, but nonetheless I can recommend this book for a few dollars – especially if you're a history buff like me.

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