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# The History Of Sweden: (The Greenwood Histories Of The Modern Nations)



## Synopsis

For many Americans, Sweden used to conjure images of Viking raiders and settlers. By contrast, contemporary Sweden is one of the world's most advanced nations in terms of politics, social welfare, gender equality, standard of living, technology, the arts, and participation in regional and global developments. Nordstrom traces the history of Sweden, detailing its prehistory and Viking past. This book shows how a country governed for years by a European monarchical system slowly and at times grudgingly changed into the egalitarian, democratic system of today. Starting with an introduction on Sweden's geography, people, and government, Nordstrom examines the political and cultural history of the country in six chapters. Also included are a bibliographical essay, an index, and a biographical section with portraits of more than 50 noteworthy Swedes, making this narrative account is the most up-to-date general history of Sweden available.

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wish there were more Swedish history books available on kindle so I could further my interest in it.

I love history. I thought this extremely difficult reading and gave up after 20 or so pages.

I liked this History book of Sweden...It covered much material..It was well written..

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