SOCIAL HISTORY

ACHESON, Eric
A Gentry Community: Leicestershire in the 15th Century c.1422 - c.1485
Examines the gentry of Leicestershire as members of the social community, leaders of the government of the county, as family members and as individuals, with biographical notes on leading families.

ALLISON, Richard and BROWN, Carole
Medieval Realms
Folens, 1990, paperback
Social and political history of the Middle Ages for primary school children, with illustrations, questions and ideas for activities.

ALLMANN, Christopher (editor)
Cambridge University Press, 1998, hardback
New edition of the standard history of the medieval world. Sections deal with government, economic and social developments, spiritual, cultural and artistic life and the political history of individual countries (‘Lancastrian England’ by Edward Powell and ‘Yorkist and Early Tudor England’ by Rosemary Horrox).

ALMOND, Richard
Medieval Hunting
Sutton Publishing, 2003, hardback
This book sets out to disprove some of the myths and misunderstandings about hunting, including the view that it was mainly an aristocratic and male-dominated sport. Indeed, hunting of varying kinds was enjoyed by all classes. B/W illustrations.

BAGLEY, J J
Life in Medieval England
BT Batsford Limited, 1960, hardback
Life in castle, village, town and monastery from Hastings to Bosworth.

BAGLEY, J J
Medieval People
BT Batsford Limited, 1978, hardback
Ten short biographies, showing how people from different social backgrounds lived and worked, including Richard Cely, Elizabeth Paston and Margaret Beaufort.

BARBER, Richard and BARKER, Juliet
Tournaments: jousts, chivalry and pageants in the Middle Ages
Weidenfeld & Nicolson, 1989, hardback
On the origins of tournaments, their problems and pageantry, tournament armour, spectacle and danger, tournaments in north-west Europe, Germany, Italy and Spain; lavishly illustrated in colour and black and white.

BARNARD, Francis Pierrepont (editor)
Companion to English History: Middle Ages
Oxford at the Clarendon Press, 1902, hardback
Twelve chapters covering architecture, warfare, costume, heraldry, shipping, town life, country life, monasticism, commerce, education and art, illustrated in black and white.

BARRON, Caroline M and STRATFORD, Jenny (editors)
Harlaxton Medieval Studies Vol XI: The Church and Learning in Late Medieval Society: Studies in Honour of Professor RB Dobson
Shaun Tyas of Donnington, 2002, hardback
These papers explore the ways in which people studied and taught within the monasteries, the cathedrals and the universities between the thirteenth and sixteenth centuries. However, the spread of learning from these traditional centres into the parishes to lay men and women is also discussed. B/W illustrations.

BARRON, Caroline M and SUTTON Anne F (editors)
Medieval London Widows 1300-1500
Hambledon Press, 1994, hardback
Collection of biographies of individual widows showing how it is possible to find the details of their lives, especially as widowhood allowed them economic and legal independence.

BASING, Patricia
Trades and Crafts in Medieval Manuscripts
British Library, 1990, hardback
Medieval agriculture, trade, industry and the professions are described and illustrated with many pictures, some in colour, from illuminated manuscripts.

BENNETT, H S
England from Chaucer to Caxton
Life and manners at home, in village, town and church and on the road, illustrated by extracts from contemporary prose and poetry in original spelling.

BENNETT, H S
Life on the English Manor: a study of peasant conditions 1150-1400
Picture of the daily life of the people of rural England, very similar to their life in the 15th Century.

BENNETT, H S
The Pastons and their England: studies in an age of Transition

BENSON, Edwin
Life in a Medieval City illustrated by York in the Fifteenth Century
SPCK, 1920, hardback
Covering the buildings, the role of religion and the life of the people at work and at play.

BIGGS, Douglas, MICHALOVE, Sharon and COMPTON-REEVES A (editors)
Traditions and Transformations in Late Medieval England
Brill, 2002, hardback
This collection of essays are revised and extended versions of papers delivered at conferences on 15th Century studies held by the American Chapter of the Society. Topics include women and religion in late-medieval East Anglia, Margaret of Anjou and the Love Day of 1458, Elizabeth Woodville and her historians, Giles Daubeney as Chamberlain to Henry VII, the badges of Henry VII, the use of gunpowder in the Wars of the Roses. B/W illustrations.

BINSKI, Paul
Medieval Death: ritual and representation
British Museum Press, 1996, hardback
Examines pagan and Christian attitudes to death, burial and the afterlife using archaeological and art historical sources.

BLACK, Maggie
The Medieval Cookbook
British Museum Press, 1992, hardback
Transcripts of 80 medieval recipes with versions adapted for modern cooking, accompanied by notes on medieval diet, feasting and herbal remedies; well illustrated.

BOASE, T S R
Death in the Middle Ages: mortality, judgement and remembrance
Thames & Hudson, 1972, hardback
Well-illustrated survey of the causes of death, of burial practices, monuments and memorials and of medieval man’s views of what came after death.

BOLTON, J L (editor)
The Alien Communities of London in the 15th Century: the subsidy rolls of 1440 and 1483-4
Richard III & Yorkist History Trust, 1998, hardback
Study of foreign immigrants: their geographical origins, their occupations and social organisation and Londoners’ attitudes to them.

BOLTON, J L
The Medieval English Economy 1150-1500
Dent, 1988 reprint (first published in 1980), paperback
Clear introduction to the economic history of the period describing the population expansion and contraction, changes in agrarian society, varying fortunes of towns, industrial production, overseas trade and capital and credit.

BRIDBURY, A R
Medieval English Clothmaking: an economic survey
Heinemann Educational Books, 1982, hardback
Survey of all aspects of the cloth-making industry at a time when the export of ready-made cloth was becoming more
important than the export of raw wool.

BRITNELL, Richard (editor)
*Daily Life in the Late Middle Ages*
Alan Sutton, 1998, hardback
Five papers from the Society’s 1996 Canterbury Conference plus four others covering life in town and country, women, religious life and fashion.

BROOKE, Christopher
*The Medieval Idea of Marriage*
Oxford University Press, 1991, paperback
Study of marriage in the medieval world through the evidence of history, art, theology and literature.

BUCKNELL, Peter A
*Entertainment and Ritual 600-1600*
Steiner & Bell, 1979, hardback
History of mystery and morality plays, pageantry, tournaments and country festivals.

BUTLER, Lionel and GIVEN-WILSON, Chris
*Medieval Monasteries of Great Britain*
Michael Joseph Limited, 1979, hardback
Introduction on the history of monastic orders in England, their buildings and daily life; with a gazetteer of 80 monastic sites giving brief histories and descriptions of the remains.

CAMILLE, Michael
*The Medieval Art of Love: objects and subjects of desire*
Laurence King, 1998, hardback
Explores the use of images in paintings and on beautiful objects for teaching men and women the art of love and looks at the symbolic and social settings of love and at love as an elite social code.

CARPENTER, C E
*The Office and Personnel of the Post of Bridgemaster in York 1450-1499*
MA thesis, University of York, 1996, typescript
Examines the history and function of the post of Bridgemaster and the position of the bridgemasters in the civic and social hierarchy of York.

CARPENTER, Christine
*Locality and Polity: a study of Warwickshire landed society 1401-1499*
Cambridge University Press, 1992, hardback
On the nature and concerns of the gentry in Warwickshire with a chronological survey of political and social relationships among the land-owners; appendices list the local gentry.

CASTOR, Helen
*Blood and Roses*
Faber & Faber, 2004, hardback
An intimate and compelling family biography which traces the Pastons' story across three generations, exploring their experiences of birth, marriage and death and the realities of their daily lives. Illustrated.

CLARK, John (editor)
*The Medieval Horse and its Equipment c.1150 - c.1450*
Boydell Press, 2004, hardback
The role played by the horse in Medieval society, including horses in Medieval London. Archaeological finds and discussion on equipment used by medieval man with his horse. Illustrated.

CLAYTON, Dorothy J, DAVIES Richard G and McNIVEN Peter (editors)
*Trade, Devotion and Governance: Papers in Later Medieval History*
A collection of essays first presented at the Conference of Recent Research in 15th Century History in Manchester in 1989. The diverse set of topics includes patronage, status among merchants in 14th Century London, the function of the Maison Dieu, with emphasis on Yorkshire evidence; Italians in London and their influence on 15th Century trade; the recruitment of northerners for the war in France in 1415-50; when did Henry VI's minority end?

CLOUGH, C H (editor)
*Profession, Vocation and Culture in Later Medieval England: essays dedicated to the memory of AR Myers*
Liverpool University Press, 1982, hardback
Studies of the patronage of the visual arts, literature, education and religion by the merchant class, the episcopate and by various professions.

COOK, G H
*English Collegiate Churches*
Phoenix House Limited, 1959, hardback
Different types of collegiate churches in the Middle Ages, including academic colleges, examples being Eton and King's College, Cambridge. Fotheringhay is also included.

COOK, G H
*The English Mediaeval Parish Church*
On the origin and development of parish churches, their architecture, furnishing and decorations; illustrated with photographs and plans of many churches.

COOK, G H
*English Monasteries in the Middle Ages*
Phoenix House Limited, 1961, hardback
On the origin and ideals of monastic life, the buildings and their functions and the various orders and their houses; illustrated with plans and photographs.

COOK, G H
*Mediaeval Chantries and Chantry Chapels*
Phoenix House Limited, 1947, hardback
On different types of chantries, their origin and purpose; with descriptions of surviving examples in cathedrals, monasteries and parish churches; illustrated with photographs and plans.

COSMAN, Madelaine Pelner
*Medieval Holidays and Festivals: a calendar of celebrations*
1984, hardback
Describes medieval customs and ceremonies for each month of the year with suggestions for re-creating banquets and entertainments.

COSS, Peter
*The Lady in Medieval England 1000-1500*
Alan Sutton, 1998, hardback
Examines the position, status and image of ladies, their role within society and their relations both good and bad with their lords.

COULTON, G G
*Life in the Middle Ages: Volume One – religion, folklore and superstition*
Collection of extracts from medieval writers, translated into modern English, illustrating the three themes of religion, folklore and superstition.

COULTON GG
*Medieval Panorama: the English scene from Conquest to Reformation*
Cambridge University Press, first published in 1938, 1945 reprint in stock, hardback
Survey of how people of all classes lived and thought.

COULTON, G G
*The Medieval Village*
Cambridge University Press, 1925, hardback
Old but still valuable work on the life of the peasants in the medieval period.

CRAWFORD, Anne (editor)
*Letters of Medieval Women*
Sutton Publishing, 2002, hardback
A delightful book incorporating letters of women from approximately 1200 - 1500. Organised into the different subjects of the letters: husbands/lovers, sons, parents, siblings, etc, the book demonstrates clearly that women were independent and capable people who didn't just support their husbands but played an important part in the running of their family and estate business. Although much of the style is formal, there are phrases to be found which hint at more personal emotions behind the writing.

CROSSLEY, F H
_The English Abbey: its life and work in the Middle Ages_
BT Batsford Limited, first published in 1935, 1943 reprint in stock, hardback
The monasteries: their daily life, organisation and administration and their buildings.

CRUMP, G C and JACOB, E F (editors)
_The Legacy of the Middle Ages_
Oxford at the Clarendon Press, 1927, hardback
Covering medieval religion, art, literature, philosophy, education, law and the fabric of society and government.

CUMMINS, John
_The Hound and the Hawk: the art of medieval hunting_
Weidenfeld & Nicolson, 1988, hardback
Detailed description of hunting and hawking with the appropriate methods for each animal or bird and the various rituals and symbolism explained.

CURRY, Anne and MATTHEW, Elizabeth (editors)
_Concepts and Patterns of Service in the Later Middle Ages_
The Boydell Press, 2000, hardback
A collection of essays taken from a conference held at the University of Reading in September 1998. Subjects include service and serfdom 1350-1500, preparation for service in the medieval church, graduate careers, household retinue of Henry V, English Crown, provinces and dominions in the 15th Century, the civil service in 15th Century France, ducal servants, service and tenure in late medieval Scotland 1314-1475.

CUST, Mrs Henry
_Gentlemen Errant: being the journeys and adventures of four noblemen in Europe during the 15th and 16th Centuries_
John Murray, 1909, hardback
Includes Lev of Rozmital’s visit to England in 1466.

CUTTS, Rev Edward L
_Scenes and Characters of the Middle Ages_
Virtue & Company Limited, 1872, hardback
Essays on the life of the religious, knights, minstrels and merchants, with woodcuts based on contemporary illustrations.

DANIELL, Christopher
_Death and Burial in Medieval England 1066-1550_
Routledge, 1997, hardback
Uses historical, archaeological and literary sources to examine beliefs and procedures relating to death and burial.

DAVIES, Penelope
_Growing up in the Middle Ages_
Wayland Publishers (Eye Witness Series), 1972, hardback
Aimed at children. Covers all aspects of growing up, home life, schools and learning, noble children, apprentices, country children, recreation and entertainment.

DEAN, Trevor
_Crime in Medieval Europe_
Longman, 2001, hardback
Drawing on real life stories of ordinary men and women who often found themselves on the sharp end of the law, this book provides a fascinating insight into the history of victims, criminals and their punishment.

DeMAUSE, Lloyd Editor
_The History of Childhood_
Souvenir Press, 1976, paperback
Includes: ‘The Middleclass Child in Urban Italy 14th to early 16th Centuries’ and ‘The Child as Beginning and End: 15th and 16th Century English Childhood’.

DENTON, Rev William
_England in the Fifteenth Century_
George Bell & Sons, 1888, hardback
Social history, dealing with the conditions of the people, agriculture, travel, the nobility, etc.
DERRY, T K and BLAKEWAY, M G
*The Making of Early and Medieval Britain: life and work to the close of the Middle Ages*
Brief survey from the earliest inhabitants to the 15th Century, with sections on the manor, the town and the church.

DOBSON, Barrie (editor)
*The Church, Politics and Patronage in the Fifteenth Century*
Alan Sutton, 1984, hardback
Ten papers from a colloquium at the University of York in 1982 on the role of the church in late medieval society and state.

DU BOULAY, F R H
*An Age of Ambition: English Society in the Late Middle Ages*
Thomas Nelson & Sons Limited, 1970, hardback
Changes in the economy brought changes in the class system, family life, and in attitudes towards authority and religion.

DUFFY, Eamonn
*The Stripping of the Altars: traditional religion in England c.1400 – c.1580*
Yale University, 1992, paperback
Religious beliefs and practices of the late medieval ‘man in the pew’ and the changes brought by the break with Rome.

DUFFY, Mark
*Royal Tombs of Medieval England*
Tempus Publishing, 2003, paperback
A comprehensive guide to the ritual and mysticism which surrounded royal burials and which was so important to the medieval mind. Explanation of what medieval tombs show about the status and attitudes of the people buried in them. The book brings to life the beliefs, passion and individuality behind medieval death rites. Illustrated.

DUNN, Diana E S (editor)
*Courts, Counties and the Capital in the Later Middle Ages*
Alan Sutton, 1996, hardback
Ten essays from a conference at Chester in 1994 on the themes of relations between local and central government and the court as the centre of culture and learning.

DYER, Christopher
*Everyday Life in Medieval England*
Hambledon Press, 1994, hardback
Fifteen essays reprinted from various sources on settlement, standards of living, social relations and trade, mainly 13th to 15th centuries.

DYER, Christopher
*Making a Living in the Middle Ages: the people of Britain 850 - 1520*
Penguin, 2003, Paperback
Medieval economy and how people earned an income in the Middle Ages, covering towns, commerce, industry and trade

DYER, Christopher
*Standards of Living in the Later Middle Ages: social change in England c.1200-1520*
Looking at all levels of society from the nobility through town dwellers to peasants and paupers, this book examines how they obtained their income and how they spent it.

EALES, Richard and TYAS, Shaun (editors)
*Harlaxton Medieval Studies Vol IX: Family and Dynasty in Late Medieval England*
Shaun Tyas, 2003, hardback
The papers in this book consider the aspirations and ideologies of royal and aristocratic families but also those of merchant and clerical families and the gentry. They explore how families stood together in times of adversity and the speed with which they rose to favour, only to fall as quickly. Individuals’ loyalty to the family is also explored, as is families’ to each other or to their class or king.

EMBLETON, Gerry and HOWE, John
*The Medieval Soldier: 15th Century campaign life recreated in colour photographs*
Windrow Greene, 1994, hardback
The life of a medieval soldier shown in colour photos of accurate re-constructions covering costume, weaponry, camp life, etc.

EVANS, Michael
*The Death of Kings: Royal Deaths in Medieval England*
Hambledon & London, 2003, hardback
In this book Michael Evans gives an account of what is known about the deaths of all medieval English kings - natural, violent or accidental. He describes how contemporaries and later writers drew morals from such deaths and about the characters of individual kings, giving their deaths an imagery and symbolism lasting until the present day. Much fascinating detail is included plus personal information about the characters and attitudes of English kings and queens, giving an insight into the core of medieval society. B/W illustrations.

FOWLER, Kenneth
The Age of Plantagenet and Valois
Large format, well-illustrated survey of the Hundred Years War and the struggle for supremacy in Europe 1328-1498, the social and economic effects of the war, court patronage and the arts.

FRYDE, E B
Peasants and Landlords in Later Medieval England
Sutton, 1999, paperback
Social history looking at life through the eyes of both landlord and peasant. Overview of the decline of serfdom.

GOLDBERG P J P (editor)
‘Woman is a Worthy Wight’: women in English society circa 1200-1500
Alan Sutton, 1992, hardback
Collection of eight essays on the role of women, covering marriage, work, estate management and piety.

GOLDBERG P J P
Women, Work and Life Cycle in a Medieval Economy: women in York and Yorkshire c. 1300 - 1520
Surveys the role of women in the economy and the part that marriage played in their lives.

GORDON, Bruce and MARSHAL, Peter (editor)
The Place of the Dead: Death and Remembrance in Late Medieval and Early Modern Europe
Cambridge University Press, 2000, paperback
A collection of essays concerning medieval attitudes to the dead. Individually the essays cover concerns such as the significance of the Black Death, the impact of the Protestant and Catholic reformations and interactions between the ‘elite’ and ‘popular’ culture. Social and cultural attitudes towards to the dead across Europe are explored by the various contributors, providing an insight into the way past societies understood themselves. B/W illustrations.

GOYDER, Rosemary
Two Families in the Wars of the Roses
Longman (Then and There Series)1974, paperback

GRANT, Alexander
Independence and Nationhood: Scotland 1306-1469 (Vol 3 in the ‘New History of Scotland’)
Edward Arnold, 1984, paperback
The evolution of a distinctively Scottish government, nobility, church and economy.

GREEN, Mrs J R
Town Life in the Fifteenth Century (2 Vols)
Macmillan & Company Limited, 1894, hardback
Old but still useful account of town life and governance; includes chapters on the tailors guild of Exeter and the town councils of Southampton, Nottingham, Norwich, Lynn and Sandwich.

GRIFFITHS, Ralph A (editor)
Patronage, the Crown and the Provinces in Later Medieval England
Alan Sutton, 1981, hardback
Eight papers from a symposium at University College Swansea in 1979, including studies of rumour, propaganda and public opinion, 15th Century queens, and patronage in the towns and in the church.

HALLAM, Elizabeth (editor)
The Chronicles of the Wars of the Roses
Weidenfield & Nicolson/Guild Publishing, 1988, hardback
Extracts from contemporary accounts of events 1377-1485 (spelling modernised) with 100 short essays, giving background information on people, politics, social and artistic history; large format, lavishly illustrated volume.

HAMMOND, Peter William
Food and Feast in Medieval England
Alan Sutton, 1993 hardback, and 1995 paperback
Well-illustrated survey of food production, preparation and consumption at different levels of society from peasant fare to the feasts of the nobility. Also covers nutrition and the adulteration of food.

HANAWALT, Barbara A
Growing up in Medieval London: the experience of childhood in history
Oxford University Press, 1993 hardback and 1995 paperback
Uses material from court records, literary sources, etc to describe childhood and adolescence in the 14th and 15th Centuries. Includes stories of fictional children's lives based on archival sources.

HANAWALT, Barbara A
The Ties that Bound: peasant families in medieval England
Oxford University Press, 1986, paperback
Vivid picture of the family and community life of medieval peasants, with new evidence from the records of coroners’ inquests.

HANAWALT, Barbara A and REYERSON Kathryn L (editor)
City and Spectacle in Medieval Europe
University of Minnesota Press, 1994, hardback
Essays on ceremonies as statements of political power, as pleas for divine intervention and as expressions of popular culture, with examples from England, Spain, France, Italy and the Netherlands.

HANHAM, Alison
The Celys and their World: an English merchant family of the fifteenth century
Cambridge University Press, 1985, hardback
The Cely family, the wool trade, medieval housekeeping, shipping, etc are illuminated through copious extracts from the Cely papers.

HARPER-BILL, Christopher
The Pre-Reformation Church in England 1400-1530
Longman, (Seminar Studies in History Series), 1989, paperback
Concise introduction to the Church: bishops, clergy, religious orders, canon law, religious belief and practice; with an appendix of documents in modern spelling.

HARTLEY, Dorothy and ELLIOTT, M M
Life and Work of the People of England: a pictorial record from contemporary sources – 15th Century
BT Batsford, 1925, hardback
150 illustrations from 15th century sources show life at that period.

HARVEY, Barbara
Living and Dying in England 1100-1540: the monastic experience (The Ford lectures 1989)
Oxford University Press, 1995, Paperback
Account of daily life in the Abbey at Westminster, covering the monks’ charitable practices, their food and drink, their illnesses and deaths, their servants and corrodians and also throwing light on secular society.

HEAL, Martin
The Dependent Cells of the Benedictine Monasteries of Medieval England: 1066-1540
Dissertation for the DPhil, Gonville & Caius College, Cambridge, 2001
Detailed study of daughter houses and independent cells of monasteries during the Middle Ages: their make up and relationship with mother house and neighbours, daily routine, their economy, constitution and finally their dissolution under Henry VIII.

HEINEMANN
The Pastons in Medieval Britain. (History Eye Witness Series)
Heinemann, 1993, hardback
Aimed at children. A colourfully illustrated book depicting life during the Wars of the Roses, quoting excerpts from the Paston Letters to give a flavour of the time.

HERLIHY, David
Medieval Households
Harvard University Press, 1985, paperback
Traces the growth of the concept of the family as a household unit and the changes in marriage and the relationship between parents and children.

HICKS, Michael
Bastard Feudalism
Longman, 1995, paperback
New examination of the relationship between a lord and his household and retainers, its legality, how it operated in peace and war, in politics and local government and its demise in the 17th Century.

HIEATT, Constance B (editor)
An Ordinance of Pottage: an edition of the 15th Century culinary recipes in Yale University MS Beineck 163
Prospect Books, 1988, hardback
The recipes are transcribed in original spelling with a commentary and versions adapted for modern cooks.

HINDLEY, Geoffrey
England in the Age of Caxton
Granada, 1979, hardback
A portrait of the age based on the comments, notebooks and account books of those who lived through it.

HODGETT, G A J (editor)
Stir Htt Well: a book of medieval refinements, recipes and remedies from a manuscript in Samuel Pepys's library (Introduction by Delia Smith)
Mary Martin Books, undated, hardback
Facsimile of the manuscript with transcription in modernised English: miscellany of recipes, charms, cures, household tips, hawking terms, etc.

HOLME, Brian
Medieval Pageant
Thames & Hudson, 1987, hardback
Large format, with full-colour reproductions of illustrations from manuscripts and paintings showing the pageantry of royal occasions, tournaments, feasts, etc.

HORROX, Rosemary (editor)
Fifteenth Century Attitudes: perceptions of society in late medieval England
Cambridge University Press, 1994, hardback
Twelve essays, most given at the Society's conference at York in 1990, on how different social groups saw themselves and were seen by others, on attitudes to the law, to the power of the ruler, to science, to education, to service, to religion and to death.

HUNT, Percival
Fifteenth Century England
University of Pittsburgh Press, 1962, hardback
Presenting the life of ordinary people, and important ones, through quotations from contemporary documents.

JAMES, Thomas Beaumont
The Palaces of Medieval England c. 1050 – 1550: royalty, nobility, the episcopate and their residences from Edward the Confessor to Henry VIII
Seaby, 1990, hardback
Palace living and an illustrated chronological survey of the palaces of the great.

JEFFERY, Paul
The Collegiate Churches of England and Wales
Robert Hale, 2004, hardback
A comprehensive guide to collegiate churches to be found in England and Wales. Colleges of priests were as important as monasteries in the medieval period and from them derived many of the older academic colleges we know today. In this book Paul Jeffery traces the history of these colleges from their origins in the Anglo Saxon period to their decline under Henry VIII. He also covers individually the history and architecture of every example still standing. Illustrated.

JONES, Terry and EREIRA, Alan
Terry Jones' Medieval Lives
The lively accompaniment to the BBC series of the same name, this book sets out to debunk all those popular misconceptions held about the Middle Ages and to portray a vibrant society teeming with individuality, intrigue and innovation. Illustrated.

**JUSSERAND, J J**

*English Wayfaring Life in the Middle Ages: XIVth Century*

T Fisher Unwin, 1889, hardback, and University Paperbacks, 1961, paperback

Social history of roads and of lay and religious travellers.

**KEEN, Maurice**

*English Society in the Later Middle Ages 1348-1500 (Penguin Social History of Britain)*

Allen Lane, the Penguin Press, 1990, hardback

Covers life in town and country, life of the nobility and the clerics, popular religion, the spread of literacy and the changes initiated by the Black Death.

**KEEN, Maurice**

*Nobles, Knights and Men-at-Arms in the Middle Ages*

The Hambledon Press, 1996, hardback

Collection of fourteen essays on the ideas of chivalry and the reality of warfare, military and heraldic law, tournaments, etc.

**KEEN, Maurice**

*Origins of the English Gentleman: Heraldry, Chivalry and Gentility in Medieval England, c. 1300-c.1500*

Tempus Publishing, 2002, paperback

Maurice Keen explores how the definition of 'gentleman' slowly evolved throughout the late Middle Ages so that by the Renaissance it was not just knights and those who fought who could gain that title but lawyers, administrators and successful merchants. This reflected the changes in society and who was dominant in that society and these changes shaped the original idea of gentility which had a powerful influence on English social attitudes far beyond the Middle Ages. Illustrated.

**KELLY, Nigel**

*The Medieval Realms*

Heinemann Educational, (Heinemann History Study Units), 1991, paperback

Social and political history of the Middle Ages for primary school children, with illustrations, questions and ideas for activities.

**KENDALL, Paul Murray**

*The Yorkist Age: daily life during the Wars of the Roses*


Sections on the Mayor, other important people, the Household, and the Wars of the Roses.

**KERMODE, Jenny**

*Medieval Merchants: York, Beverley and Hull in the Later Middle Ages*

Cambridge University Press, 2002, paperback

Explores the lives, work and attitudes of merchants living in these northern towns during the later Middle Ages, analysing their achievements in politics, attitudes towards religion, the family, wider network of friends and business acquaintances and the nature of the conduct of trade at every level.

**KIGHTLY, Charles**

*Barley Hall: a day in a medieval town house*

Wayland, 1997, paperback

Children's book, describing a day in the life of the Snawsell family and their servants at Barley Hall in York in 1468, illustrated in colour.

**KINGSFORD, Charles Lethbridge**

*Prejudice and Promise in 15th Century England*


The 1923 Ford Lectures: on 15th century history in Shakespeare’s plays, on private letters, on social life, on piracy, on London and on the Duke of Suffolk.

**LABARGE, Margaret Wade**

*Medieval Travellers: The Rich and Restless*

Hamish Hamilton, 1982, hardback

The upper class travellers and the business of travelling are described, as well as their reasons for travelling: religion, politics, adventure, amusement or social contact. The importance of maintaining one's position in the social hierarchy and its effect on travelling, whether alive or dead, is discussed, and individual accounts are given, using personal reports, chroniclers' notices and financial accounts from across Europe.

**LACROIX, Paul**
Military and Religious Life in the Middle Ages and at the Period of the Renaissance
Bickers & Son, circa 1874, hardback
Covering all aspects of war and chivalry, and of religion from the liturgy and the clergy to charitable institutions and burial practices. Fully illustrated with engravings based on contemporary art.

LANDER, J R
Conflict and Stability in 15th Century England
Hutchinson University Library, 1969, hardback and paperback, also 1977 edition, paperback
Account of certain aspects of 15th century life, illustrating the author’s view that it was a period of prosperity despite the civil wars.

LANDER, J R
Government and Community: England 1450-1509
Covers both government and society and political history.

LANDSBERG, Sylvia
The Medieval Garden
British Museum Press, 1996, hardback
Based on contemporary documents and illustrations, it describes different types of medieval gardens, the plants grown and the gardening procedures. Also describes recreations of six medieval gardens, with hints on making your own.

LANE, Peter
The Middle Ages
BT Batsford Limited, 1977 hardback
Aimed at children. Covers all aspects of medieval life, from the monarchy down to the peasant, including manor, church and town life. Gives suggestions for further research in the form of little exercises. B/W illustrations.

LANG Jennifer
The Billesdon Award
The Skinners and Merchant Tylors Companies, 1984, hardback
Illustrated booklet commemorating Mayor Billesdon’s settling of a dispute over precedence between the Skinners’ and the Merchant Taylor’s Companies in 1484.

LEYSER, Henrietta
Medieval Women: A Social History of Women in England 450-1500
Phoenix Press, 2002, paperback
Covering a thousand years of history, this book considers the problems and attitudes affecting women. Contemporary views on sex, marriage and motherhood plus work experience and life as a widow, for women of all classes. The intellectual and spiritual worlds of women are also explored.

MACDONALD, Mairi R
Women in Urban Society in the 14th and 15th Centuries with particular reference to those of Middle Rank
1972, typescript
Study covering women’s education, marriage, work and position in society.

McFARLANE, KB
The Nobility of Later Medieval England: the Ford Lectures for 1953 and related studies
On the life, education and finances of the English nobility, also their rates of extinction and recruitment.

McLEAN, Teresa
The English at Play in the Middle Ages
Kensal Press, 1983, hardback
Leisure activities in the Middle Ages from outdoor games, tournaments, hunting, etc to music, dancing and drama.

McLEAN, Teresa
Medieval English Gardens
Describes monastic gardens, town gardens and castle and palace gardens and what was grown in them.

MARSH, John Patrick
Landed Society in the Far North-West of England c. 1332-1461
Dissertation for DPhil, University of Lancaster, 2000, typescript
In-depth study of landed society in the north-west of England. Definition of the region and the make-up of landed society within that region.
MARTIN, Rebecca
Textiles in Daily Life in the Middle Ages
The Cleveland Museum of Art, 1985, paperback
Catalogue for an exhibition on textiles in the Middle Ages at The Cleveland Museum of Art in early 1985 with an introduction to the subject.

MASON, James
Medieval Realms 1066-1500
Longmans Sense of History Series, 1991, hardback
Social and political history of the Middle Ages for primary school children, with illustrations, questions and ideas for activities.

MENUGE, Noel James (editor)
Medieval Women and the Law
The Boydell Press, 2000, hardback
Collection of essays covering all aspects of women in society and how the law protected them, and their knowledge and use of it.

MERTES, Kate
The English Noble Household 1250-1600: good governance and politic rule
Basil Blackwell, 1988, hardback
Study of the organisation, membership and economic, political and social role of the households of the nobility and higher churchmen.

METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART, NEW YORK
The Secular Spirit: life and art at the end of the Middle Ages
EP Dutton and co. inc. New York, 1975, paperback
Detailed, well-illustrated catalogue of an exhibition of objects of everyday life from c. 1300 to 1550.

MICHALOVE, Sharon D and REEVES, A Compton (editors)
Estrangement, Enterprise and Education in 15th Century England
Alan Sutton, 1998, hardback
Papers from a conference organised by the American Branch of the Society in 1995 on the hazards and opportunities of public and private service in an age of civil strife, and on the education of women.

MITCHELL, R J
The Spring Voyage: the Jerusalem pilgrimage in 1458
John Murray, 1965, hardback
Account of a pilgrimage from Venice to Jerusalem, compiled from the travel diaries of some of the pilgrims.

MYERS, A R
England in the later Middle Ages 1307-1536
Concise history of the period covering both social and political aspects.

NEEL, Carol (editor)
Medieval Families: Perspectives on Marriage, Household and Children
The University of Toronto Press, 2004, hardback
This book comprises essays by historians, art historians and literary scholars and covers social structures and functions and emotional characteristics of families in the Middle Ages. Presented in chronological order, topics covered include: surrogacy, choosing a partner, domestic ideals and social behaviour, incest and child abandonment.

ORME, Nicholas
English Schools in the Middle Ages
Methuen & Co Limited, 1973, hardback
History of education and schools, both secular and religious, changes in the curriculum and the rise of literacy. Includes a list of (secular) schools founded 1066-1530.

ORME, Nicholas
From Childhood to Chivalry: the education of the English kings and aristocracy 1066-1530
Methuen & Co Limited, 1984, hardback
Comprehensive study of the homelife, upbringing and education of the children of kings, nobles and gentry.

ORME, Nicholas
Medieval Children
Yale University Press, 2001, hardback
Comprehensive study of the birth, childhood, homelife, upbringing and education of children of from all walks of life.
PARKER, Rowland
*The Common Stream: 2000 years of the English village*
Granada Publishing, 1976, paperback
Story of the birth and growth of a village (based on Foxton, Cambridgeshire) and of village life. Much of the book is on the medieval period.

PARSONS, John Carmie and WHEELER, Bonnie (editor)
*Medieval Mothering*
A diverse collection of essays on the concept and reality of motherhood at all levels in the Middle Ages. Pregnant queens, Icelandic witches, abbesses, royal and aristocratic mothers, literary maternity, surrogate motherhood and even ‘maternal’ fathers are covered in this book. An interdisciplinary approach is given to the subject, providing something for everyone with any interest in medieval women or gender studies.

PEPLOW, Elizabeth and Reginald
*In a Monastery Garden*
David and Charles, 1988, hardback
Attractively illustrated history of gardens attached to religious houses and the plants they grew for food, drink and medicinal purposes; with some recipes and a guide to monastery gardens to visit.

PIPONNIER, Francoise and MANE, Perrine
*Dress in the Middle Ages* (translated from the French by Caroline Beamish)
Yale University Press, 1997, hardback
Social history of costume: what clothes were made of and why; where materials came from and the different clothes according to age, sex, status and profession.

PLAGER, Deborah S
*The Woman, the Parish, the City and her Will: an analysis of female testamentary evidence from two London parishes, All Hallows London Wall and St Lawrence Jewry, 1416-1558*
University of Reading MA thesis, 1997, typescript
Uses wills to study the differences between two London parishes and the lives, piety and economic status of some of their female parishioners.

PLATT, Colin
*The English Medieval Town*
BCA, 1976, hardback
Well-illustrated study of the growth and characteristics of towns in medieval England.

PLATT, Colin
*Medieval England: a social history and archaeology from the Conquest to 1600 AD*
BCA, 1978, hardback
Well-illustrated, broadly chronological survey, combining insights from both history and archaeology.

POLLARD, A J (editor)
*The Wars of the Roses*
Macmillan Problems in Focus series, 1995, paperback
Nine essays shedding new light on the sources, origins and effects of the Wars of the Roses, the personalities involved, and the political, religious and cultural background.

POWER, Eileen
*Medieval People*
Methuen & Co Limited, 1924, hardback and Pelican, 1937, paperback
Illustrates aspects of social history through the lives of actual people, including a prioress, a 14th Century Paris housewife, a 15th Century merchant of the Staple and an Essex clothier in the reign of Henry VII.

POWER, Eileen
*Medieval Women* (edited by M M Postan)
Cambridge University Press, 1975, hardback and paperback
Essays on the position, education and lives of gentlewomen, working women and nuns.

POWER, Eileen
*The Wool Trade in English Medieval History*
Oxford University Press, 1942, hardback
Ford Lectures of 1939: covering sheep farming and wool production, and the development and organisation of the wool trade.

RAWCLIFFE, Carole
Medicine and Society in Later Medieval England
Alan Sutton, 1995, hardback
Examines the development and practice of medieval medicine, covering the prevalence of death and disease, the treatments used and the practitioners – physicians, surgeons and apothecaries.

READING UNIVERSITY
Medieval Women in Southern England (Reading Medieval Studies Vol 15)
Reading University, 1989, paperback
Five essays including ones on women as executrices of wills, women in London and the Howard and De Vere women as victims of attainder.

REEVES, Compton
Pleasures and Pastimes in Medieval England
Alan Sutton, 1995, hardback
Survey of how medieval people used their leisure time – including the arts, sports and games, food and drink, religion.

REEVES, Compton
Purveyors and Purveyance (Anthroscience Minigraph Series)
Foundations Press of Notre Dame, 1983, paperback
A-Z listing with descriptions and dates in office of the purveyors (i.e. suppliers of goods and services to the royal household) from Henry IV to Richard III.

REEVES, Marjorie
The Medieval Monastery
Longmans Then and There Series, 1982, paperback
Describes daily life for medieval Benedictine monks, focusing on Riveaulx Abbey and Fountains Abbey.

RENFROW, Cindy
Take a Thousand Eggs or More: a collection of fifteenth century recipes
2 volumes, printed in USA), 1998, spiral-bound paperback
Recipes previously published in Two 15th Century Cookery Books, edited by T Austin and published by the Early English Text Society in 1888. Vol 1 gives the recipes in original spelling then in modernised spelling with versions adapted for modern cooking. Vol 2 has more recipes but without modern cooking instructions.

ROGERS Nicholas (editor)
England in the Fifteenth Century: proceedings of the 1992 Harlaxton symposium
Paul Watkins Publishing, 1994, hardback
Fifteen papers on the religious, social and artistic history of the 15th Century.

ROSENTHAL, Joel T
Nobles and the Noble Life 1295-1500
George Allen & Unwin, 1976, hardback
Extracts, in modernised spelling, from a variety of official documents reflecting all aspects of aristocratic life and behaviour.

ROSENTHAL, Joel T
Patriarchy and Families of Privilege in Fifteenth Century England
University of Pennsylvania Press, 1991, hardback
Study of different family structures and organisation, eg fathers and sons, horizontal families, family networks, widowhood. Families studied include the Scropes of Bolton and the family of Ralph Neville, Earl of Westmorland.

ROSENTHAL, Joel T
The Purchase of Paradise: gift giving and the aristocracy 1307-1485
Routledge & Kegan Paul, 1972, hardback
Study of aristocratic charity: money for prayers, setting up chantries and other foundations, and other benevolent donations in wills.

ROWLING, Marjorie
Everyday Life in Medieval Times
BT Batsford 1968, hardback, and Dorset Press, 1987, hardback
Describes the life of people of all classes and occupations.

ROWLING, Marjorie
Everyday Life of Medieval Travellers
Dorset Press, 1989, hardback
Journeys on land and sea, by every sort of traveller from kings to outlaws, merchants to pilgrims, craftsmen to entertainers.

RUBIN Stanley
Medieval English Medicine
David & Charles, 1974, hardback
Survey of diseases and treatment, physicians and surgeons and medical practice.

SALUSBURY, G T
Street Life in Medieval England
Pen in Hand, 1948, hardback (first published in 1939)
On the repair of the streets, traffic problems, street cleaning and law and order.

SALZMAN, L F
Building in England down to 1540: A Documentary History
History of building and building techniques, tools and organisations. Original documents as illustrations.

SALZMAN, L F
England in Tudor Times: an account of its social life and industries
BT Batsford Limited, first published in 1926, 1933 re-issue in stock, hardback
Covering life in the country, in the town and in the home, the church and adventure by land and sea.

SALZMAN, L F
English Life in the Middle Ages
Oxford University Press, 1927, hardback
Covering life in the country, the town and at home, the church, education, literature, art and science, warfare, law and order,

SALZMAN, L F
English Trade in the Middle Ages
Oxford at the Clarendon Press, 1931, hardback
On the tools of trade, eg money and weights and measures, centres of trade, distribution of goods and exports and imports.

SASS, Lorna J (editor)
To the King's Taste: Richard II's (sic) book of feasts and recipes, adapted for modern cooking
The Metropolitan Museum of Art, 1975, hardback
Medieval recipes with versions for modern cooking.

SAUL, Nigel (editor)
Age of Chivalry: art and society in late medieval England
Collins & Brown, 1992 Hardback
Nine essays on the artefacts of the period (13th and 14th Centuries), the society in which they were produced, the patrons who commissioned them and the ideals which inspired them.

SCATTERGOOD, V J and SHERBORNE, J W (editors)
English Court Culture in the Later Middles Ages
Duckworth, 1983, hardback
Ten papers from a seminar on whether the culture of late medieval England was a product of the court: covering education, patronage, crusades, architecture, paintings, manuscripts, literature and music.

SCULLY, Terence (editor)
The Vivendier: a 15th century French cookery manuscript
Prospect Books, 1997, paperback
Transcription and translation of 66 recipes with a detailed commentary.

SHAHAR, Shulamith
Childhood in the Middle Ages
Routledge, 1990, hardback
Study of family life and attitudes to children in all levels of society and the stages of childhood through birth, child-rearing and education.

SOUTHERN, R W
Western Society and the Church in the Middle Ages (Pelican History of the Church Vol 2)
A history of the medieval church and how it interacted with medieval society, concentrating on the social mechanisms of religious change during this period. The period covers 700 to 1520 and subjects include the Papacy, divisions in Christendom, the church order and religious orders. Charts and maps.

SOUTHWORTH, John
The English Medieval Minstrel
The Boydell Press, 1989, hardback
History of minstrels and other entertainers from early days until the 15th and 16th Centuries.

SPRENGER, Jacobus and KRAMER, Heinrich
_Malleus Maleficarum: the hammer of witches_ (Translated by Montague Summers and edited with an introduction by Pennethorne Hughes)
Folio Society, 1968, hardback
One of the classic texts describing witchcraft and how to combat it, first published in 1486.

STEANE, John
_The Archaeology of Medieval England and Wales_
Croom Helm Limited, 1985, hardback
Shows how the surviving remains of buildings can extend our knowledge of medieval government, fortifications, religion, communications, towns, countryside, housing, etc.

STUART, Dorothy Margaret
_Men and Women of Plantagenet England_
George G Harrap & Company Limited, 1932, hardback
Account of the lives of medieval people: knights and squires, peasants, craftsmen, merchants, priests, monks and nuns and women.

SUMPTION, Jonathan
_Pilgrimage: an image of medieval religion_
Faber & Faber, 1975, hardback
Medieval people on pilgrimage: who, where, why and how?

SUTTON, Anne F
_I sing of a Maiden: The Story of the Maiden of the Mercers' Company_
The Mercers Company, 1997, paperback
History of the use of The Maiden as an emblem by the Mercers' Company.

SUTTON, Anne F
_A Merchant Family of Coventry, London and Calais: The Tates, c.1450 - 1515_
The Mercers Company, 1998, paperback
History of the Tate Family in the late 15th Century and early 16th Century.

SUTTON, Anne F and VISSE-FUCHS, Livia
_The Hours of Richard III_
Alan Sutton for Richard III & Yorkist History Trust, 1990, hardback
Detailed examination into Richard III's Book of Hours - the manuscript and ownership - with analysis into its contents and the light it sheds on Richard's own piety.

SUTTON, Anne F and VISSE-FUCHS Livia
_Richard III's Books: ideals and reality in the life and library of a medieval prince_
Sutton Publishing, 1997, hardback
Detailed examination of the books owned by Richard III, giving insights into his character and interests, and also into the culture and reading habits of his time. Also looks at book production and circulation, and the books owned by his parents, by Edward IV, Elizabeth Woodville and Margaret of Burgundy.

SWANSON, Heather
_Medieval Artisans: an urban class in late medieval England_
Basil Blackwell, 1989, hardback
Study of the trades of victualling, textiles, clothing, leather, metalwork and building and the relationship between artisans and the merchant class.

TAYLOR, G S (editor)
_The book of the Knight of La Tour-Landry_ (with an introduction by DB Windham Lewis)
John Hamilton Limited, 1930, hardback
The Knight's book of instructions for his daughters, with examples from scripture, the classics and contemporary tales; spelling modernised.

TEMPELTON, Darlene
_Woman in Yorkist England_
Ide House, Inc., 1983, hardback
Brief study of women at all levels of society covering childhood, education, marriage and daily life.

THOMSON John A F (editor)
_Towns and Townspeople in the Fifteenth Century_
Alan Sutton, 1988, hardback
Nine papers from a conference at Glasgow University in 1986, mainly on urban history topics.

THOMSON, John A F
*The Transformation of Medieval England 1370-1529*
Longmans Foundations of Modern Britain Series, 1983, paperback
Covering environment and economy, the nation of England, politics, government and the church and education, with useful statistical appendices.

THORNTON, Tim (editor)
*Cheshire and the Tudor State: 1480 - 1560*
The Boydell Press, Studies in History New Series, 2000, hardback
Political and economic history of the Palatinate of Chester in the late 15th and early 16th Centuries.

THORNTON, Tim (editor)
*Social Attitudes and Political Structures in the Fifteenth Century*
Sutton Publishing, Fifteenth Century Series No. 7, 2000, hardback
Collection of essays giving an overview of English society in the fifteenth century, the influence of the Church and the interaction of monarchy with Parliament and the regions.

THRUPP, Sylvia L
*The Merchant Class of Medieval London 1300-1500*
Scholarly study of London merchants, their daily lives and economic and social position.

TREVELYAN, G M
*Illustrated English Social History, Vol 1: Chaucer’s England and the early Tudors*
Pelican, first published in 1942, 1964 paperback in stock
The history of a people with the politics left out, illustrated in black and white.

UDEN, Grant
*The Knight and the Merchant*
Faber & Faber, 1965, hardback
Outlines the contrasting careers of Anthony Woodville, Earl Rivers and William Caxton which cover many aspects of medieval society.

UITZ, Erika
*Women in the Medieval Town* (Translated from the German by Sheila Marnie)
Barrie and Jenkins? 1990, hardback (book gone missing at present)
Research on the Continent shows women town dwellers fighting for education, a voice in political and religious affairs and more rights in trade and within the family. Lavishly illustrated mainly from Continental sources.

UNSTEAD, R J
*The Medieval Scene 787 – 1485*
Social and political history for primary school children. Illustrated in colour.

UNSTEAD, R J
*Years of the Sword: a pictorial history 1300-1485*
Macdonald, 1972, hardback
Social and political history for primary school children. Illustrated in colour.

VIRGOE, Roger (editor)
*Illustrated Letters of the Paston family: Private Life in the 15th Century*
Weidenfeld & Nicolson, 1989, hardback
Selection of letters, in modernised spelling, interspersed with short essays on 15th Century life, people, social history, etc. Lavishly illustrated.

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Macmillan London Limited, 1989, hardback
Selection of letters, in modernised spelling, interspersed with short essays on 15th Century life, people, social history, etc. Lavishly illustrated.

WARD, Jennifer C
*English Noblewomen in the Later Middle Ages*
1992, paperback
Studies of noblewomen as daughters and heiresses, wives and mothers, widows in charge of their estates and as religious benefactors.

WARD, Jennifer C (translator and editor)
Women of the English Nobility and Gentry 1066-1500
1995, paperback
Collection of extracts from contemporary documents (in modern spelling) illustrating the lives and roles of noblewomen within their families, their households and their communities.

WATERS, Gwen
King Richard's Gloucester: life in a medieval town
Gloucester Reprints, 1983, paperback
Describes secular and religious life in Gloucester at the time when Richard III granted a charter to the city.

WATKINS, Malcolm
The Golden Age of Richard III: an exhibition on the twin themes of Richard III and the medieval town
1983, hardback and paperback
Detailed catalogue of the exhibition at Gloucester City Museum in 1983.

WHEATLEY, Abigail
The Idea of the Castle in Medieval England
York Medieval Press, 2004, hardback
Evidence from contemporary literature and art reveals the castle's place at the heart of medieval culture, as an architecture of ideas every bit as sophisticated as the church architecture of the period. Colour plates.

WILLIAMS, Daniel (editor)
England in the Fifteenth Century: proceedings of the 1986 Harlaxton symposium
The Boydell Press, 1987, hardback
Twenty-three papers on a variety of literary, art historical, biographical and political history topics.

WILLIAMS, Penry
Life in Tudor England
Batsford Putnam, 1964, hardback
1969, hardback
Everyday life of every class of society during a period of great change from the England of the Yorkists to the Elizabethan era.

WOOD, Diana (editor)
Women and Religion in Medieval England
Oxbow Books, 2003, paperback
These papers discuss the religious devotion and spiritual life of medieval women from all classes, not just the religious orders and aristocracy. They consider the influence of the church on the lives of women and the influence that women had on the life and worship of the medieval church. B/W illustrations and maps.

WRIGHT, Susan M
The Derbyshire Gentry in the Fifteenth Century
Alan Sutton, 1983, hardback
Study of how the gentry made and spent their money, ran their homes and families and of their relations with central and local government.

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