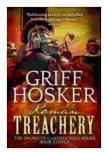
# **Roman Treachery: The Sword of Cartimandua**

Cartimandua was Queen of the Brigantes, a powerful Celtic tribe that ruled over much of northern England. She was a strong and independent leader, and she played a key role in the Roman conquest of Britain. However, Cartimandua's loyalty to the Romans would eventually be tested, and she would ultimately be betrayed by her allies.



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#### **Cartimandua's Rise to Power**

Cartimandua was born into a noble family in the Brigantes tribe. She was a skilled warrior and a gifted leader, and she quickly rose through the ranks. In AD 51, she became Queen of the Brigantes, and she quickly established herself as one of the most powerful rulers in Britain.

Cartimandua's reign was marked by a period of peace and prosperity for the Brigantes. She was a wise and just ruler, and she was respected by her people. She also maintained good relations with the Romans, and she helped to secure the Roman frontier in northern England.

#### **Cartimandua's Betrayal**

In AD 69, the Roman governor of Britain, Vettius Bolanus, was replaced by Quintus Petillius Cerealis. Cerealis was a ruthless and ambitious general, and he was determined to conquer the Brigantes. He offered Cartimandua a bribe to betray her people, and she accepted.

Cartimandua's betrayal was a devastating blow to the Brigantes. They were caught off guard by the Roman attack, and they were quickly defeated. Cartimandua herself was captured and taken to Rome, where she was paraded in triumph through the streets.

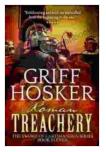
#### The Sword of Cartimandua

One of the most famous artifacts from Cartimandua's reign is her sword. The sword is made of iron and is exquisitely decorated with gold and silver. It is believed to have been a gift from the Roman emperor, Claudius.

The sword is currently on display at the British Museum in London. It is a powerful symbol of Cartimandua's strength and courage, and it is a reminder of the treachery that she endured.

Cartimandua was a complex and fascinating figure. She was a strong and independent leader, but she was also willing to betray her people for her own gain. Her story is a reminder of the dangers of treachery, and it is a warning against putting too much trust in those who claim to be your friends.

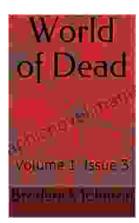
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