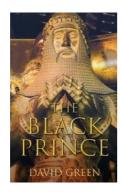
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This was not very good. It pre-supposed a whole lot of knowledge about the period, the characters, and the politics. Too many names, too much jumping around chronologically, and incredibly dry. And I say this as someone who loves reading history, and has a very good memory for names and dates and places. :)

I have been trying to make sense of the Hundred Years War and thought this book might help. A little dry, with sometimes convoluted language, the book was occasionally hard to follow but filled with anecdote and information. I feel that I understand chivalry better as well. Recommended as a thorough biography of the prince, however...