

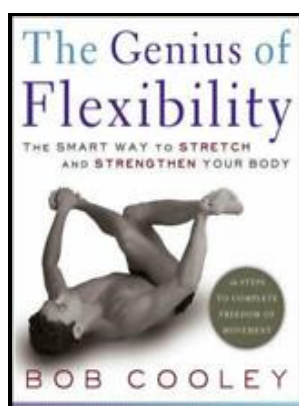
# Memoirs of Helene Kottanner (1439-1440)

## D.S. Brewer - The Memoirs of Helene Kottanner (1439

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### The Memoirs of Helene Kottanner by Maya Bijvoet Williamson

Helene was a loyal servant and by the Queen's side while caring for the baby boy Ladislaus with her life. This is a story about a woman who was nanny to Queen Elizabeth of Hungary in the early 1400's.

### The Memoirs of Helene Kottanner (1439

I cannot really speak to the quality of scholarship in the book, but I would recommend that the lay reader skim the foreword, enjoy the memoirs and skip the afterword altogether. This is her first-person account of the part she played in the theft of the holy crown of St Stephen from the treasury of the royal stronghold Visegrad on 20 February, 1440, when the crown was smuggled out of the stronghold hidden in a pillow. It was immediately rushed on a sled to the queen, who within hours of its arrival at her castle in Komorn was delivered of a baby boy, Ladislaus Posthumous 1440-1457, who was

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historical events that make them surprisingly accessible despite being from almost 600 years ago.

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The interpretive essay also adds something. The foreword provides a bit of historical context for those without an intimate knowledge of the political situation in fifteenth-century Hungary, while the extensive afterword delves into the lives and roles of women in the middle ages, without ever actually getting around to saying much. Helene Kottanner's account is unconsciously revealing about herself and her ambitions, allowing a rare glimpse into the inner world of a late-medieval woman.

### **The Memoirs of Helene Kottanner (1439**

Helene Kottanner was servant and confidante of the widowed Queen Elizabeth of Hungary 1409-1442. This is a true story and well written. This is her first-person account of the part she played in the theft of the holy crown of St Stephen from the treasury of the royal stronghold Visegrad on 20 February, 1440, when the crown was smuggled out of the stronghold hidden in a pillow.

crowned king of Hungary three months later.

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That said, I found the work to be a memoir of a fascinating set of episodes in a medieval woman's life, translated in a workmanlike--but generally flat--fashion by Williamson. . After her husband died the Queen went on a journey to keep his only son safe because he was to be King and she did not want to remarry.

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Helene Kottanner was servant and confidante of the widowed Queen Elizabeth of Hungary 1409-1442. Her story is less than 20 pages after the introduction and after the story an interpretation essay by critics almost criticizing some of her sources. The book provides a first hand account that add colour and detail to a series of important

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