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### The Viking Achievement A Survey of the Society and Culture of Early Medieval...

Legacy and Historical Interpretations of Viking Incursions The Viking Age 800 — 1100 was characterized by extensive migration, commercial pursuits, and a spirit of adventure.

### Vikings

While the common consensus is that the impact of the Vikings during the Viking Age, which lasted from about 800 AD to 1100 AD, was not very enduring as the Vikings were skilled at assimilating into the local population, the Viking culture has had a lasting impact on the art, technology, society, and trade of every population they encountered. Democracy and citizenship in Scandinavia Springer, 2001.

### Normans

In the year 789 A. Viking social structure was highly stratified, with three ranks or classes which were written directly into Scandinavian mythology, as enslaved people called thrall in Old Norse , farmers or peasants karl , and the aristocracy jarl or earl.

### Viking

By some scholars, Saevo is thought to be the mountainous coast at the entrance to and the peninsula is thought to be , the north tip of, Denmark. Ivar the Boneless and Other Famous Vikings Ivar the Boneless, mentioned above, was one of the most famous Vikings.

### Scandinavia

They were wealthy and owned large estates with huge longhouses, horses and many thralls.

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### **How did the Vikings impact medieval Europe?**

Online version retrieved 2 October 2007. Vikings: Any of the Scandinavian seafaring pirates and traders who raided and settled in many parts of NW Europe in the 8th—11th centuries.

#### **Staff View: Vikings :**

Barbarity The image of wild-haired, dirty savages sometimes associated with the Vikings in popular culture is a distorted picture of reality. Some speculate that it could have been the result of overpopulation in Scandinavia, while others think it could have been due to political instability in the northern region.

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