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Essays in Criticism

The Complete Antony and Cleopatra

A Critical Study of Shakespeare's Play

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In Antony and Cleopatra, Shakespeare dramatizes the classical love story of the Roman general and the Egyptian queen, their fatal romance, and the power struggle that leads to the triumph of Octavius Caesar. Because the play is so broad in scope, it is one of Shakespeare's least accessible tragedies. This reference provides a thorough overview of the play, its background, and its critical and dramatic legacy.

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A Tragedy by William Shakespeare

The Love Play of Antony and Cleopatra

ANTONY & CLEOPATRA

A Tragedy by William Shakespeare on the Relationships Between Cleopatra and Mark Antony from the Time of the Sicilian Revolt to Cleopatra's Suicide

A team of eminent scholars has been assembled to prepare new introductions and notes to all of Shakespeare's plays and poems, for the new Pelican Shakespeare series. This series, incorporating more than 30 years of Shakespearean scholarship since the acclaimed original series was published between 1956 and 1967, will be an excellent resource for students, teachers, and theatre professionals well into the 21st century. Redesigned in an easy-to-read format that preserves the favourite features of the original, this volume includes an essay on the theatrical world of Shakespeare, a comprehensive and enlightening introduction to the play Antony and Cleopatra and a note on

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This Shakespeare Handbook offers a stimulating and accessible guide to Antony and Cleopatra as theatre. It focuses on the challenges of bringing the notorious lovers and their world to the stage, and explores both recent and Renaissance theatrical approaches. A scene-by-scene account of the play examines the various ways in which the play can be performed, and shows the characters as theatrical beings, in dynamic relationship with both each other and the audience. Lively, critical close readings of key stage and film versions demonstrate the importance of every element of the theatre event in the interpretation of this play's startling shifts from passion to pragmatism, comedy to tragedy, grandeur to irony. The play is contextualised historically, culturally and in terms of its sources, and suggestions for further reading guide the student through the play's critical reception.

Tragedies by William Shakespeare

Is a Tragedy Play

Antony And Cleopatra

Including The Classic Biography: The Life of William Shakespeare

Like Romeo and Juliet, Antony and Cleopatra is an archetypal love story but of more mature lovers. However, the play isn't only that; it is also an epic rife with political machinations. In addition it is a character study, revealing Antony beset by very human emotions and a tragic

weakness, and Cleopatra, as a self-deluding, aging siren. Of course Antony pays for his weakness as does Cleopatra. Yet even in death they are united, buried together and linked by scholars and lovers for all time.

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The Annotated Shakespeare series enables today's readers to understand and enjoy the plays of the world's greatest dramatist. Comprehensive on-page annotations assist with vocabulary, pronunciation, prosody, and alternative readings of phrases and lines in these handsome and affordable paperback editions. In no other play has Shakespeare created two such equally titanic personages as Rome's great soldier and statesman Mark Antony and the Egyptian Queen Cleopatra. The story of their irresistible attraction, their jealous quarrels and betrayals, and the effects on friends and subjects of their ruinous choices is a tale leading irretrievably to despair and defeat. Their suicides, however, strike us as a kind of triumph. Shakespeare stood at the height of his powers when he penned this great tragedy, one of the last he produced.

Patterning in Shakespearean Drama

Shakespeare Antony and Cleopatra

Antony and Cleopatra In Plain and Simple English (A Modern Translation and the Original Version)

Antony and Cleopatra in Renaissance Drama and Earlier Tradition

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Authoritative Text, Sources, Analogues, and Contexts, Criticism, Adaptations, Rewritings, and Appropriations All For Love

Antony and Cleopatra (Annotated)

Antony and Cleopatra: A Critical Reader

HarperCollins is proud to present its incredible range of best-loved, essential classics. A battle-hardened soldier, Antony is one of the three leaders of the Roman world. But he is also a man in the grip of an all-consuming passion for the exotic and tempestuous queen of Egypt. And when their life of pleasure together is threatened by the encroaching politics of Rome, the conflict between love and duty has devastating consequences.

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An Extraordinary Tale of Fiction Drama By William Shakespeare (Annotated)

Antony and Cleopatra, 1758

The Problem Plays of Shakespeare

The opening chapter traces the history of the term 'problem plays' as applied to Shakespeare and defines it more clearly and precisely than has been done in the past. Julius Caesar, Measure for Measure, Antony and Cleopatra are then discussed in separate chapters, not only as problem plays but from various points of view: such matters as themes, structural pattern, character-problems, the play's relation to its sources as well as to other plays in the canon, are all touched upon.

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William Shakespeare (Drama, Plays, Poetry, Shakespeare, Literary Criticism) [Annotated]

The Dramatic Works of William Shakespeare: Julius Caesar. Antony and Cleopatra. Timon of Athens. Titus Andronicus

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William Shakespeare's Antony and Cleopatra

A Study of Julius Caesar, Measure for Measure, Antony and Cleopatra

The Theme of Antony and Cleopatra in English Drama

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A Guide to the Play

Infinite Variety

A Historical Play, in Five Acts

Antony and Cleopatra (Unabridged Text)