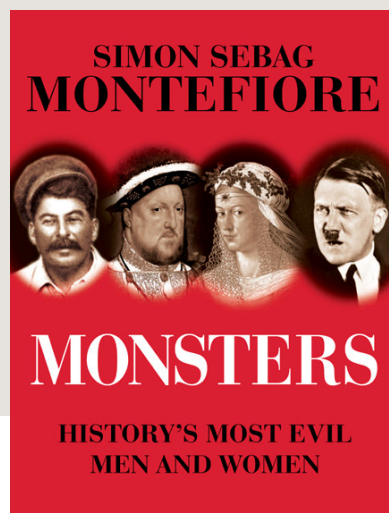


Monsters
History's Most Evil Men and Women
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Description

The preferred method of torture of Vlad Dracul, 15th-century prince of Wallachia, was to attach a horse to each of the victim's legs as a sharpened stake was gradually forced into his body; Vlad also enjoyed scalping, skinning and boiling alive. The 14th-century Mongol warlord Tamerlane once ordered the building of a pyramid of 70,000 human skulls from those that his army had beheaded ...

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Sales Points

- A chillingly readable guide to the truly mad, bad and dangerous – across three millennia of world history
- A darkly sensational guide to the worst villains of world history, in the same style and layout as *101 World Heroes*
- Bestselling, Costa award-winning author (2008)

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