

T. H. White

The Once and Future King

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The complete *Once and Future King* – T. H. White's magnificent retelling of the Arthurian legend – is made up of five books: *The Sword in the Stone*, *The Witch in the Wood*, *The Ill-Made Knight*, *The Candle in the Wind* and *The Book of Merlyn*.

In the first (and best-known) book, Merlyn instructs the Wart (Arthur) and his foster brother Sir Kay in the ways of the world. One of them will need it – the King has died leaving no heir, and a rightful one must be found by pulling a sword from an anvil resting on a stone. In the second and third books, Arthur has become King and the kingdom is threatened from the north. In the final two books, the ageing king faces his greatest challenge, when his own son threatens to overthrow him. In *The Book of Merlyn*, Arthur's tutor Merlyn reappears, and teaches him that, even in the face of apparent ruin, there is hope.

Humane, warmly funny and deeply touching, White's epic fantasy novel is a true classic.

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