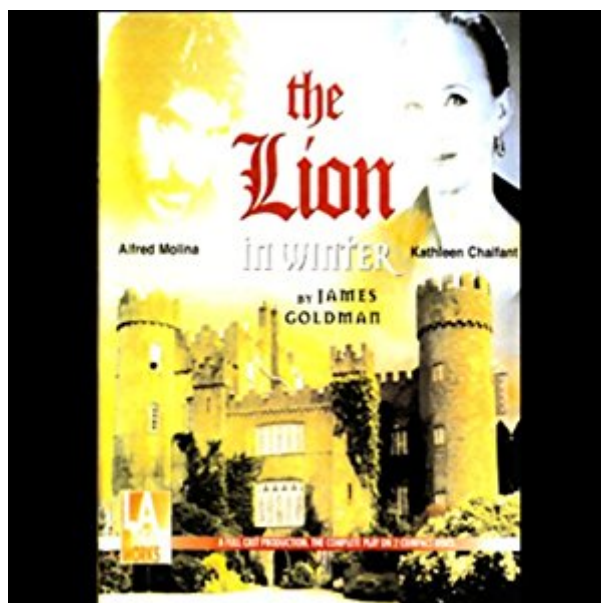


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# The Lion In Winter



## Synopsis

Sibling rivalry, adultery and dungeons - *Lion in Winter*, by James Goldman, is a modern day classic. Comedic in tone, dramatic in action - the play tells the story of the Plantagenet family who are locked in a free for all of competing ambitions to inherit a kingdom. The queen, and wealthiest woman in the world, Eleanor of Aquitaine, has been kept in prison since raising an army against her husband, King Henry II. Let out only for holidays, the play centres around the inner conflicts of the royal family as they fight over both a kingdom, as well as King Henry's paramour during the Christmas of 1183. As Eleanor says, "every family has its ups and downs," and this royal family is no exception. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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## Customer Reviews

Simply brilliant and illuminating, everyone is by degrees likeable and not, that is they are human. The sheer depth and breadth of human observation and interaction is a marvel, this play is a benchmark of language, please read it and then watch the movie with Peter O'Toole and Katherine Hepburn. Enjoy the experience.

This is an excellent play -- a classic -- and well worth the enjoyable read. We have a group that meets monthly to read plays aloud, and it was fun to read this one which so many of us had seen as a movie but few had read as a play. Excellent!

WONDERFUL ! I LOVE THIS STORY, SINCE I AM AN AVID FAN OF ENGLISH

HISTORY/ROYALTY. HOWEVER, THE BOOK WAS IN BAD SHAPE, AND I HAD TO BE CAREFUL WHEN TURNING THE PAGES, BECAUSE THE BINDING WAS FRAGILE AND BRITTLE, AND THE PAGES WOULD BREAK WHEN TURNING THEM. IT WAS A GOOD BUY, HOWEVER. HELEN I. LENTI

Goldman's script is stylish, graceful, acutely mindful of that time in history, witty, ironic, melancholy and moves the 'story' of the play forward, taking note of the 'less than equal role' of women in royal history. Goldman knows how to enlist the power of words to do his bidding. His command of language makes reading the play a delight, even without the added power of actors playing their roles. Jim Dunne

it's hard cover and looks incredibly sexy on your shelf. great quality. almost don't want to actually open it up and read it simply because i don't want to damage it. the colors (green and gold) are so nice. it's strong and sturdy. get this copy over any other (unless it's not edited well... i didn't actually read it yet).

Fascinating play. Great movies. Great and taut read. I bought this to prepare to audition for a local amateur theatre production. Playwright did a tremendous amount of research to produce a contemporary explanation of this time period- an accessible and note worthy read.

Good Play

A classic must-read for all ages.

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