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17th century B.C. The barbaric Hyksos have taken possession of the whole of Egypt, imposing their harsh rule with unimaginable cruelty.

Only Queen Ahhotep resists. Not far from Thebes, the only city which retains its independence, she has established a secret military base to train the soldiers who will one day set her country free.

Heading an increasingly powerful army, Ahhotep steals victory after victory, in spite of the treacherous behaviour of a handful of 'collaborators'. From south to north, the Egyptians begin to re-group, becoming stronger by the day - and the occupying forces no longer seem quite so invincible.

But are Ahhotep and her followers being lured into the most elaborate of traps...?

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### **Ryan says**

I enjoyed these first two books of the Queen of Freedom books. I admit that the characters are very black and white with the Egyptians being unquestionably good and the Hyksos being unspeakably evil! Still, the combination of Egyptian mythology and ancient military battles is entertaining and I genuinely enjoy reading Christian Jacq's books. I am starting the third now!

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### **Julie says**

2nd volume in the Trilogy, still pretty silly but I wanted something stupid and mindless

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### **Don says**

I have read books, of this genre, which I have considered to be much better than this yarn. It is one of those books which is okay but nothing to rave about and barely deserves a three star rating.

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### **Jerome says**

As in the case of all the books I've read by this author, a very easy and quick read. Entertaining and a great image of what life might have been like in ancient Egypt....but this series for me is a bit too biased in his view of Egyptian civilization and his interpretations of the mysteries in history.

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### **Angel Serrano says**

Muerto Segeñ, su hijo Kamés continuará la lucha. Primero dirigirá sus esfuerzos hacia el Sur, liberando Eléphantine (Assuan) de los Nubios y luego hacia el Norte alcanzando el delta tras liberar Memphis. Su empuje le llevará a las puertas de Avaris, la capital del dominio de los Hyksos.

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### **Mariana says**

It was a good continuation.

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### **Iset says**

This second book in the series suffers from the same problems as the first; major historical inaccuracy

combined with shatteringly bad writing. One thing I will say is that, if at all possible, Jacq has managed to ham up the evil Hyksos stereotype even more than in the first book, in the form of the unbelievable concentration camp. Ahhotep is still as annoying as ever as the "heroine who can do no wrong". Teti and Ahhotep's friends and allies are still blandly uninteresting. Apophis, Khamudi, and the Hyksos are still the typical "supervillains". You might as well have had Apophis sitting in his throne room twirling his moustache and stroking a white Persian cat. The dialogue is stilted and truly terrible, many conversations stick to a format which is repeated over and over again - usually, someone telling Ahhotep that what she wants to do is impossible, and Ahhotep being the only person who believes it can be done. The series is less historical fiction and much more historical fantasy. Normally my reviews are much longer than this, but I couldn't find a single good thing to say about this book. I wouldn't normally say this but because other reviewers have actively urged people to read this book, I feel like I've got to say - don't. I AM an Egyptologist and extremely interested in this period of ancient Egyptian history, and I would not recommend this book at all to people interested in ancient Egypt. If there was the option to give a book zero stars, I'd be using it now.

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### **Madalena says**

I think this fell flat mostly because Jacq's writing isn't strong. Actually, it's really weak. I feel like the story itself, although I doubt its actual historical teachings, is an epic but why make this a trilogy? It would work much better as only one book, even if it ended up being 800 pages or something, than in these little snippets where the action seems repetitive and pointless. The premise is good but the execution is kinda shit.

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### **Denise says**

#2 in the Queen of Freedom Trilogy! Whenever people think of ancient Egypt they think of King Tut and maybe Ramses the Great. But there were powerful women in Egypt's past and Queen Ahhotep was a warrior, queen, pharaoh, freedom-fighter and mother of two sons (all at the same time!).

The tale of the domination of Egypt by the barbaric Hyksos and how a valiant queen pulled together a rag-tag army and drove them out of her country!

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