



Suleiman the Magnificent, greatest sultan of the Ottoman Empire



With a name like Suleiman the Magnificent, one anticipates a great and glorious history.

Known as 'the Legislator' in Turkish, he imposed a number of reforms in the Ottoman Empire during his reign.

Warrior, scholar (he spoke four languages), patron, poet, and legislator, his reign was the cultural golden age of the Ottoman empire.

His marriage was another part of his myth.

Suleiman wasn't one to conform to tradition.

He fell in love with, and married Hürrem Sultan, a girl from his harem better known by the name of Roxelane, breaking with two centuries of Ottoman tradition.

A keen poet, he wrote her poems under his pen name, « Muhibbi »

At the time of Suleiman's death, the Ottoman empire was one of the most powerful and advanced countries in the world.

He had conquered the greatest Muslim cities, several of the Balkan provinces, and much of North Africa.

His legend inspired many of his contemporaries, including William Shakespeare who featured him as the military prodigy in his play « The Merchant of Venice ».

Directed by Jacques VICHET

A documentary of 52'

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English Version

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