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Country-lad-turned-jester Will Somers tells the behind-the-scenes story of King Henry VIII and his six wives. Told by the man who saw the triumphs and tragedies, weddings, divorces, and dramatic pageantry that was the Tudor court.

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This intimate peek into the royal chambers gives readers **a unique perspective on the capricious King Henry**, told from the point of view of **a sympathetic friend whose loyalty never wavered**.

A unique tale of tumultuous **Tudor England**, fans of **Philippa Gregory**, Anya Seton and Sharon Kay Penman will delight in this new look at a well-known dynasty from world-renowned historical novelist Margaret Campbell Barnes.

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