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—Waldemar Heckel, *University of Calgary, Canada*

#### From the Back Cover

Alexander the Great is one of the most mercurial and transformational figures in world history. His empire was vast, stretching across the ancient world from Greece and Egypt to India. In the wake of his death, his generals—the Diadochi—once tenuously united, turned on one another, each in pursuit of what he believed was his rightful role as ruler.

In this narrative history, Anson explores the period of time known as the Age of the Successors—the approximately forty years following the death of Alexander the Great. It is a story of ambition, power, and war, but at its core, it is a story of transition—of how one man's empire ultimately became the Hellenistic World.

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