



Legendary Beasts of Britain (Paperback)

By Julia Cresswell

Bloomsbury Publishing PLC, United Kingdom, 2013. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. From mythical legends - dragons, unicorns, mermaids, sea serpents, griffins, yales and wyverns - to contemporary tall-tales such as big cats on the moors and the Loch Ness Monster, the British imagination has ever been stalked by fantastic beasts. These creatures find their origins in folklore, literature, heraldry and religion and are vividly transmitted to us in countless manuscript illuminations, woodcuts, sculptures, engravings, carvings and paintings. Julia Cresswell here outlines and investigates the legendary beasts of Britain, including famous examples such as St George s dragon alongside more local traditions such as the Laidly Worm, a princess turned by an evil stepmother into a monster that terrorised the countryside. It is the perfect guide to a heritage of creatures that range from the ugly and malevolent to the beguiling and benevolent.

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