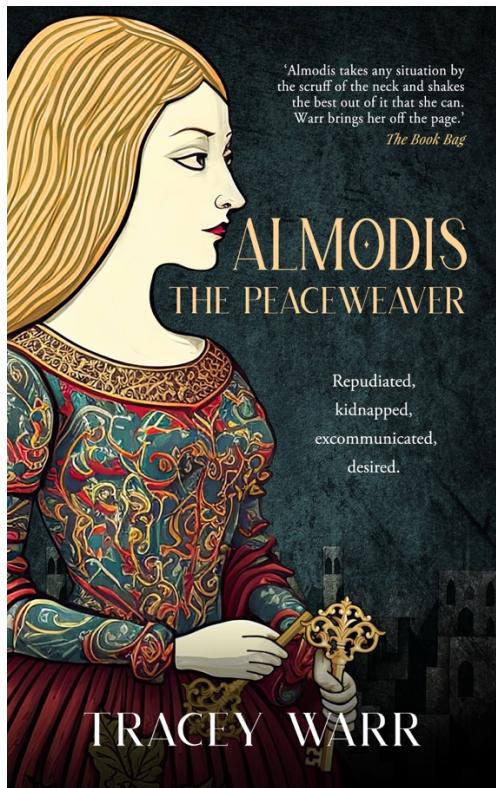




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At a time when a noblewoman's purpose is to produce heirs, Almodis resolves to create her own dynasty. Almodis' path to power and happiness is fraught with drama. Forbidden love and murder underpin this extraordinary story based on the life of a scandalous female lord whose descendants went on to rule in France, Spain and England.

Almodis de la Marche was 'afflicted with a Godless female itch', according to the monk chronicler William of Malmesbury but she was 'radiant upon Earth', according to her third husband, Ramon Berenger, count of Barcelona. What were the motivations, triumphs and griefs behind her scandal? A novel based on the life of the real eleventh-century Almodis de la Marche, countess of Toulouse and Barcelona.

Praise for Almodis

'Almodis is feisty. She takes any situation by the scruff of the neck and shakes the best out of it that she can. Warr brings her off the page ... I read the book over a couple of days when I really should have been doing something else.' *The Book Bag*

Author Bio

Tracey Warr was born in London, lived in southwest Wales and now lives in southern France. The castles and landscapes of Wales and France inspire her historical fiction. She is the author of five historical novels set in medieval Europe and centred on strong female leads. She draws on old maps, chronicles, poems and objects to create fictional worlds for readers to step into. Her writing awards include an Author's Foundation Award, a Literature Wales Writer's Bursary, the Rome Film Festival Book Initiative and a Santander Research Award. Before becoming a full-time writer she worked as a contemporary art curator and art history academic.

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