

## Chapter 1 : Geuzen - Wikipedia

*The sea beggars were powerful military units that made capturing coastal cities easy. These fierce privateers under the command of a succession of daring and reckless leaders, the best-known of whom is William de la Marck, Lord of Lumey, were called "Sea Beggars", "Gueux de mer" in French, or "Watergeuzen" in Dutch.*

Europe, to The Sea Beggars were pirates who made a living in the s from capturing North Sea shipping. On 1 April , six hundred Sea Beggars seized by surprise the small harbor city of Brill. It turned out to be a turning point in the history of the Netherlands , the beginning of what later nationalist historians have coined the "heroic phase of the Dutch Revolt," with its epic sieges of Haarlem , Alkmaar, and Leiden. The Sea Beggars were thus inextricably bound up with the genesis of the Dutch nation. Until , they had been ordinary privateers, confining themselves to disrupting maritime traffic, raiding the coast of the Netherlands, plundering monasteries, and pillaging supplies of the Spanish troops, but with their seizure of Brill and its aftermath, they had become part of national history and memory. In May , during his invasion of Friesland, Louis of Nassau â€” , the youngest brother of William of Orange â€” , needed a small fleet to defend his supply routes to Emden. He called on the assistance of John Abels, a local corsair, and formed a fleet of fifteen ships. The military role of these newly formed Sea Beggars was, however, short-lived. William of Orange discerned their importance for his own military plans but could not afford to pay them properly. Instead, he provided them with letters of marque, which allowed them to attack hostile ships. Operating out of the communities of exiled Calvinists from the Netherlands in Emden and the English Channel ports, the Sea Beggars performed their acts of piracy and planned their raids of the Netherlands. In the spring of their force amounted to some thirty ships. Their disruption of maritime traffic, however, more and more annoyed the authorities in Emden and England. Cruising aimlessly in the English Channel , they decided to seize Brill, hoping to find a new base for their undertakings. The news of the seizure took William of Orange by surprise and complicated his own plans for an invasion of the Netherlands. In the following months, however, one after another the towns of Holland and Zeeland opened their gates to the Sea Beggars. At last, William of Orange had his base in the Netherlands. The Sea Beggars never proved to be a reliable armed force. Consisting mainly of fortune seekers and Calvinist exiles and commanded by such firstgeneration rebels as Lumey van der Marck and William Blois of Treslong, who had consciously broken with their pasts to revolt, the Sea Beggars cultivated an ethos that differed markedly from that of professional soldiers. Their military advance in Holland and Zeeland was accompanied by the murder of priests, raping of nuns, and plundering of monasteries. Fearing that this behavior would alienate the moderate citizenry and town councils, William of Orange dismissed obstinate commanders such as Lumey and incorporated the ordinary men into a new, more professional army. De Watergeuzen en de Nederlanden, â€” Amsterdam and London, The most important study. Paul Knevel Pick a style below, and copy the text for your bibliography. Encyclopedia of the Early Modern World. Retrieved November 09, from Encyclopedia. Then, copy and paste the text into your bibliography or works cited list. Because each style has its own formatting nuances that evolve over time and not all information is available for every reference entry or article, Encyclopedia.

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**Chapter 3 : The Awakening of Europe, Beggars of the Sea**

*it was captured by the Sea Beggars (Netherlands rebels against Spain) and was the scene of the first assembly of the United Provinces. It was the seat () of the important Synod of Dort, an international assembly of the Reformed Church (for which it had declared in ).*

Elizabeth I of England was the surprise catalyst of an uprising that sparked the Dutch War of Independence against Spain. She was far from secure on her throne. England had no standing army and an undersized navy, and Elizabeth feared that Philip of Spain, the most powerful monarch in Europe, was poised to invade. To strike at her, his army would sail from the Netherlands. There, less than a hundred miles off her shores, his troops had already subjugated the Dutch. He was also stupendously wealthy thanks to his vast New World possessions. The Spanish Main, a scythe-shaped slice of the globe, ran from Florida through Mexico and Central America to the north coast of South America, gateway to the riches of Peru. Philip used this constant river of riches to finance his constant wars. Nowhere were they more feared than in the Netherlands. The people called it the Council of Blood. But the Prince escaped. He gathered a rebel army and marched into Brabant, the Dutch heartland. But his troops were inexperienced and untrained, and with winter approaching and money running out, the Prince turned back. He went into exile in the German lands, awaiting his next chance. Religion, as always in the 16th century, was a fiery instrument of division. Philip of Spain was known as "the most Catholic prince in Christendom. That act had also made her the supreme head of the church in England, a concept that Catholics found grotesque: In Pope Pious V excommunicated Elizabeth in a fierce decree, calling her a heretic and "the servant of crime. Scores of affluent Catholics left England with their families and settled in the Spanish-occupied Netherlands. But by this time Elizabeth held Mary under house arrest in England, a comfortable captivity in Sheffield Castle. Elizabeth did not dare set Mary free, fearing she would foment an invasion by a Catholic League of Spain, France, and the Pope. In the Netherlands, the English exiles were plotting to overthrow Elizabeth with military help from their powerful Spanish friends and install Mary in her place. But the Dutch rebels had not given up, only gone to ground. They still considered Prince William of Orange their leader. He was keen for a second chance to win back his country for the Dutch. And Elizabeth of England was eager to secretly support him. That second chance came in the spring of This time the rebels would not come marching, as an army. They would come from the sea: The origin of their name is intriguing. A delegation of over two hundred Dutch nobles appeared before her with a petition stating their grievances. She was alarmed at the appearance of so large a body, but one of her councillors exclaimed, "What, madam, is your highness afraid of these beggars? Scores of them took to the sea to harry Spanish shipping. Led by William de la Marck, they called themselves the Sea Beggars. England was far weaker than mighty Spain, so Elizabeth was playing "a game of cat and mouse" with Philip, says historian Susan Ronald in her book *The Pirate Queen*; helping the Sea Beggars was "the only course open to her to show her defiance of Spain. In March, Elizabeth ordered the expulsion of the Sea Beggars from her realm, an act that people assumed was to placate Philip. It turned out, however, that Elizabeth had struck a lethal blow at Spain: For a month these rebel privateers wandered the sea, homeless and hungry, until, on the first of April, they made a desperate attack on the Dutch port city of Brielle, which had been left unattended by the Spanish garrison. They astounded everyone, even themselves, by capturing the city. The exiled Prince of Orange now sent troops to support them. But Spain ferociously struck back. The town of Haarlem bravely resisted during a long siege, but finally surrendered. Nevertheless, it took six decades more until the people of the Netherlands won their freedom, in Over , copies of her books have been sold in seven countries. Before becoming an author Barbara enjoyed a twenty-year acting career in television, film, and stage productions in Canada and the U. Barbara welcomes you to her website: Europe is in turmoil. A vengeful faction of exiled English Catholics is plotting to overthrow Queen Elizabeth and install her cousin Mary, Queen of Scots on the throne. And in the Netherlands the streets are red with the blood of those who dare to oppose the brutal Spanish occupation. But amid the unrest one resourceful young woman has made a lucrative enterprise. Scottish-born Fenella Doorn salvages crippled vessels. It is on one of these ships that she meets wealthy Baron Adam Thornleigh. But

Adam and Fenella will put their lives in peril as they attempt to rescue his young ones, defend the crown, and restore the peace that few can remember. Again, Barbara Kyle reigns!

**Chapter 4 : 'Barons of the Sea' chronicles the race to build the perfect clipper ship - calendrierdelascience.**

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Lepage Historical background Aside from the Caribbean and Spanish Main, there was another place where Spanish domination was challenged: The Low Countries part of Northern France and present-day Belgium, Netherlands, and Luxemburg consisted of seventeen provinces, which in the 15th century, one by one, had been inherited, purchased, or conquered by the dukes of Burgundy, from whom they were inherited by Charles V of Spain and his son, Philip II. For centuries, these provinces had been busy trading and financial centers with wealthy commercial cities and ports. Besides, during the 16th century Protestantism had gained ground in the Netherlands. Charles V left and Philip II right In the s, William of Orange , originally a stadhouder literally "place holder" or lieutenant representing the king of Spain in the Low Provinces , turned against the Spanish empire and helped organize the Dutch struggle for independence. William of Orange , nicknamed De Zwijger the Silent " probably because of his secret and calculating character " was the most influential and politically capable leader. His determination and efforts led to the formal declaration of independence of the United Provinces in July Declared an outlaw by the Spanish king in , he was assassinated in July in Delft by a fanatical Catholic named Balthasar Gerardts. Known ever since as the Vader des Vaderlands "Father of the Fatherland" , William was the founder of the dynastic House of Orange-Nassau, which still reigns in the Netherlands today. Placing himself openly at the head of the revolt, William needed soldiers to combat the formidable Spanish armies. He made diplomatic alliances, raised militias, hired mercenaries, and also turned his attention to a group of desperadoes and pirates known as the Watergeuzen "Beggars of the Sea". The Watergeuzen The origin of the name geuzen singular geus, from the French gueux meaning ragged tramp or beggar is unclear, but it is often attributed to the councillor Charles Berlaymont c. When war broke out, the name geus or specifically watergeus referred to a member of irregular Dutch rebel forces. The Watergeuzen originally included adventurers, smugglers, and pirates who attacked vessels of almost any nation as well as fishing boats, villages, and towns on the southern coast of the Dutch Provinces. From William of Orange issued letters of marque to the Watergeuzen , making official privateers of those who until then had been criminal pirates. Under the command of a succession of daring and reckless leaders, William of Orange formed the Sea Beggars into an effective and organized fighting force against Spain. At first the Beggars of the Sea were content with plundering both by sea and land and carrying their booty to English and French ports where they were able to refit and replenish their stores. In Queen Elizabeth, under Spanish pressure, refused to admit them any longer to her harbors. Deprived of a safe refuge, the leaders Lumey and Ripperda and their Sea Beggars, in desperation, made a surprise attack upon the small Spanish-held port of Brielle also known as Den Briel near Rotterdam in April Encouraged by their success, they sailed to Vlissingen Flushing, in the province of Zeeland , which was taken after an audacious raid. The capture of these two towns gave the signal for a general revolt in the Netherlands, and is often regarded as the real beginning of Dutch independence. Soon after, the Sea Beggars managed to repel an attack by a Spanish force led by Maximilian de Hennin, Count of Bossu, by flooding the surrounding land. After this, the Sea Beggars counter-attacked and plundered the Spanish-held harbor of Delft. Mixing with the native population, they quickly sparked rebellions against "the Iron Duke" the Duke of Alva , commander of the Spanish army of Flanders in town after town and spread the resistance southward. From their new bases the Sea Beggars continued to harass Spanish shipping and coastal cities. Dutch ships after the Battle of Zuiderzee in In the Sea Beggars, reinforced by Elizabethan volunteers, intercepted and destroyed a Spanish supply convoy off the port of Hoorn in the Zuiderzee. The following year, the Spanish army besieged the city of Leiden , whose citizens had joined the rebellion. The Dutch defenders flooded the countryside around the town, enabling the Sea Beggars to use small boats to drive off the besiegers. These operations of harassment helped the consolidation of Dutch control of the lands north of the River Scheldt, which for the rest of the war marked the front line between the Dutch independents and the Spaniards. It was a war of independence, but also a religious and civil war in

which economic and political factors played major roles. Both sides often committed pointless atrocities. The Watergeuzen and the northern Protestant insurgents regarded all Spaniards and Catholic Dutchmen as enemies. They therefore attacked churches, monasteries, and Catholic villages and towns, killing priests, monks, and administrative representatives of the Spanish crown, as well as Catholic citizens. In return the Spanish army mostly composed of mercenaries had no problem sacking towns and murdering innocent victims. For example, infuriated and neglected hired soldiers in Spanish service plundered and made a bloodbath at Delfshaven in April, Mechelen in October, Naarden in December, Antwerp in , and Oostende in .

Massacre of Naarden by Spanish troops, , by Jan Luyken In , in an attempt to crush the rebellion, Philip II of Spain replaced the Duke of Alva, who obviously had failed, with the highly skilled diplomat and military leader, Alessandro Farnese, Duke of Parma and Piacenza as commander of the army of Flanders and Governor of the Spanish Netherlands. By , after a series of successful military operations and well-conducted diplomatic handlings, Farnese had consolidated Spanish control of the territories south of the Scheldt. Late that year, the war stagnated as both sides needed time to regroup their forces and refill their coffers in order to pay their mercenaries. By he decided to lay siege to the rebel-held port of Antwerp. The duke encircled the city and linked his siege works by building an yard-long pontoon bridge across the River Scheldt. The Sea Beggars launched a daring attack against the bridge with explosives and fire-ships "hell-burners" in April . The Spaniards repulsed them and Antwerp fell in August. After this episode, the role of the Watergeuzen decreased. Some crews were incorporated into the newly created Dutch navy, where Watergeuzen leaders were isolated and ceased to conduct operations, which were now directed by Willem van Orange and his General Staff. An anti-Spanish rebel of the first hour, Lumey was banned and his properties seized in the late s. He soon returned to the Low Countries and became admiral of the Sea Beggars. In June , he was appointed stadhouder of Holland and consequently Captain General, i. The resentful and ruthless Lumey was accused of more than one atrocity, including the execution, without trial, in July of the so-called " martyrs of Gorcum ," nineteen Dutch Roman Catholic monks and priests , who eventually secured sainthood. Entens van Mentheda led the Watergeuzen during the capture of Dordrecht in April , and participated in the sieges of Haarlem , Goes, and Groningen. As Vice-Admiral of the Beggars of the Sea, he also took part to the campaigns in Walcheren and South Beveland, islands in the southern province of Zeeland, in .

Watergeuzen leader Wigbolt Ripperda c. He studied in Geneva and Orleans, where he came in contact with Protestantism, the new religion that inspired the Dutch Revolt, and became a strong and radical believer in this religion. When he returned to the Netherlands, he joined the army of the Prince of Orange. Until August , he was commander of the guard of William van der Marck, Baron of Lumey, and became governor of Haarlem, a city he defended with gallantry and determination when besieged by a large Spanish army in . After a long and bitter siege, the city had to surrender because of a lack of food and supplies. Ripperda, together with his soldiers, was captured and beheaded soon after. The Watergeuzen, an a mbiguous ragtag assemblage of Dutch aristocrats, ultra-Calvinists, pirates, and ruffraff, were a prime example of those warrior mariners who strayed between legal privateers and illegal sea robbers. Francis Drake attacked the coasts of Spain, inflicting serious damage, while Walter Raleigh attacked the Spanish fishing fleets in the North Atlantic. Another English officer played an important role on the side of the Dutch rebels: From left to right Francis Drake, Walter Raleigh, and Francis Vere Francis Vere first went on active service under the Earl of Leicester in , and was soon in the thick of the war raging in the Low Countries. In he was with the garrison of Bergen op Zoom, which repulsed the Spanish besiegers, and was knighted by Lord Willoughby right after the battle. Sir Francis Vere became commander of the English troops in the Low Countries, which operated in close cooperation with the Dutch forces under Maurice of Nassau , the son of William the Silent. Vere served in the Cadiz expedition of , and the culminating point of his career came in July at the Battle of Nieuwpoort when Vere and Maurice completely defeated the veteran Spanish troops of Archduke Albert. This was followed by the celebrated defense of Ostend from July to March . When James I made peace with Spain, Vere retired from active service and spent the remainder of his days in the English countryside, writing his memoirs. Sir Francis Vere died in , soon after the truce that recognized the independence of the Northern Dutch United Provinces. Hugo de Groot

In the 16th and early 17th centuries privateering often intimately linked with piracy was not always recognized

by naval powers. In the famous Dutch captain Jakob van Heemskerck attacked and plundered the Portuguese carrack Santa Catharina, which allowed the Dutch Republic to make a tremendous catch, estimated to be three million florins. To justify this act of pure piracy, the cunning and legal-minded Dutch authorities turned to their well-respected and influential jurist, Hugo de Groot, also known as Grotius. One of the pioneering natural rights theorists of the late 16th and early 17th centuries, Grotius defined natural law as a perceptive judgement in which things are good or bad by their own nature. This was a break from Calvinist ideal, in that God was no longer the only source of ethical qualities. These things that were by themselves good were associated with the nature of man. The Dutch Republic had been founded on principles of religious toleration, but had become a Calvinist theocracy. Jakob van Heemskerck, a carrack, and Hugo de Groot Grotius, a humanist and Dutch patriot, struggled with Calvinism all of his life. In this struggle, he dealt with the international laws of war and issues of peace and justice. De Groot, a remarkable international law theorist, helped form a concept of international society. He introduced the new and modern notion of Mare Liberum "free sea" accessible to all, and the right of booty and free trade, the substitution of the ancient "natural piracy" by the notion of regulated and legal privateering in official service of the State. Although Grotius considered war a "necessary evil," conflicts needed to be regulated. The "just war" in his eyes was a war waged to obtain a right. The concept of free sea, widely adopted by all European sea-going nations, marked the official rejection of the Iberian monopoly expressed by the Treaty of Tordesillas in Dutch WIC privateers. In the early seventeenth century even before the Treaty of Westpahlia of 1604, the Dutch Republic of the Seven United Provinces was virtually an independent state already. Trade was the main objective of the Company, but the slave trade from Africa to the Americas, which provided labor for the plantations founded by the European settlers, and also privateering represented important profits. In the few WIC raiders, placed under the leadership of Captain Boudewijn Hendrikszoon, were reinforced by a small fleet headed by the then unknown Piet Heyn. At first, Heyn was rather unsuccessful, making only minor catches, but in his privateers captured no less than fifty-five Spanish ships. In September 1628, the Dutch privateer fleet, now reinforced and including 3, sailors manning thirty-one ships armed with guns, launched surprise attacks on the Spanish silver flotas from Honduras and Mexico in the Strait of Florida and in the Bay of Matanzas. They boarded and captured, with only a few casualties, the heavily laden galleons, seizing a treasure of 1,000,000 pounds of silver, pounds of pure gold, thousands of pearls and precious stones, and expensive cloth, silk, and furs. The formidable booty, with a total value of 1,000,000. Other expeditions were planned and carried out in the 1620s and 1630s, but the formidable success of 1628 was never repeated. The surprise effect did not work any longer and the Spanish fleets were better organized and protected. The Dutch Admiral Cornelis Jol suffered heavy casualties when attempting to attack Spanish ships in 1635. By that time the WIC was at war with Portugal for the territorial possession of Brazil, and all its resources were engaged in that conflict. Although privateering was a fruitful business, the Company could not afford to fight on two fronts. When this war was over, privateers were again engaged against the Portuguese, particularly off the shores of West Africa. Finally, in 1624, a treaty was signed with Portugal, and this marked the end of all privateering undertakings commissioned by the Dutch West India Company. For more information, Jean-Denis recommends the following: *Kapers en Piraten Pirates and Privateers. Middeleeuws Wapentuig Medieval Weaponry*. For those seeking English sources on Dutch privateers, I recommend: *Beggars of the Sea*:

*Beggars of the Sea. 84 likes. Sounds like: A schooner riding a tidal wave over tulip fields.*

The campaign is, as you might expect, absolutely horrid. Alva was a ruthless, brutal man, and unfortunately a brilliant fighter. The story starts off somewhat idyllically, as the van Cleef family of merchants go about their daily affairs while keeping a close eye on politics. Then too, though they were barely feeling it yet, they were looking at the collapse of their stranglehold on Europe. Too many other powers were rising against them, Catholic or no. There are a lot of problems on the Dutch side, most notably the fact that the only organized resistance comes from Dutch pirates the sea beggars of the title who raid Spanish shipping but really only look out for themselves. But unpleasant with the potential to be more. Probably the harshest thing about this book is not the characters killed in this war though there are many but what happens to those who survive. The character journeys are from reasonably content and tolerant people to brutalized radicals. It is impossible to just coexist with the Spanish, so everyone ends up fighting and resisting and changing into less likable versions of themselves. He fit in poorly to the quiet and orderly Antwerp he was brought up in. And yet, perhaps because he started so much further from everyone else, he finds himself the one most able to adapt to the new situation. Almost alone among the characters, he finds himself moving towards being a better man through violence, mainly because his nature now has a suitable outlet where it can mesh with his ideals. Another shocking thing is the suddenness and overwhelming nature of change. People die in minor brawls. They find themselves in peril for doing only what they and their ancestors had done for generations. Even high nobles, normally immune from consequences, are executed for nothing more than mild resistance. What seems permanent as rock may be as changeable as sand given the right push. And for all its horror, sometimes good can win even when against seemingly unbeatable odds. The fight will be long, but in the end the Dutch will succeed. The novel has its flaws too of course. For one thing, it ends far too soon at the very beginning of the Dutch rebellion proper. For another, the ending is sudden and only resolves a few of the lasting issues. While I enjoyed the book at every stage I finished it feeling strangely unsatisfied, as if the potential seething through at every moment was somehow never fully released.

**Chapter 6 : "Sir Francis Drake" Beggars of the Sea (TV Episode ) - IMDb**

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The Sea Beggars is an incomplete book series by Paul Kearney. It is based almost entirely around ocean-based adventures. The series was expected to be four books long and the third had nearly been completed when the series was unexpectedly dropped by Bantam in May. After signing a new contract with Solaris, Paul announced this would now be a three book series and that the last book in the series was due to be published as an omnibus in Autumn. However, due to the US publishers never releasing the rights for the final book, this remains unpublished.

Plot[ edit ] The lead character is Rol Cortishane. His mother was Amelie, supposedly a descendant of the Weren race, a pre-human race with superhuman qualities, often referred to as Angels or Demons. The Weren bred with humans when their numbers diminished thousands of years ago and so many humans thenceforth contained Weren blood, sometimes merely making them beautiful and talented individuals, sometimes warping their bodies into monsters called the Fallen or Half-Trolls. However it is later revealed that Amelie is actually an ancient, powerful, violent spirit cast into pure Weren form and given a soul. He set himself up as the Mage-King of Kull and has survived for thousands of years in order to sire Rol. How he met Amelie is not yet known. He was taught nothing of his heritage, believing he was a human, but was socially isolated from other children because of his Weren blood, which usually forms a mental barrier between ordinary people and Rol. Rol returns to his home to find it threatened by a mob who felt that Ardisan had summoned the appalling weather with his magic. They attack the house, and eventually slay the Golems, but Ardisan and Rol flee, after the former is wounded by a crossbow bolt. He tells Rol to flee to a man called Michael Psellos in the foreign city of Ascari before dying. Rol sails there over several days on the Eyrie. However, he is badly wounded by a young woman answering the door, who we later learn to be Rowen. When he recovers, Psellos makes him a low servant in his household. Psellos goes to check on her and Rol follows. He ends up rescuing Rowen, killing three criminals in the process. Thence Psellos tells him of his Weren blood and has Rowen train him as a killer, at which he excels. Rowen falls in love with Rol and, after having sex, they plot together to kill the evil Psellos with some aid. They succeed, but a remnant of Psellos, made by his magic, informs them that they share the same mother, Amelie, hence committing incest. This obviously drives the pair apart, although they still love each other. Rol then becomes a seaman in despair. After 7 years, he encounters an old friend, Gallico the Half-Troll. They are forced to go to the pirate city of Ganesh Ka, which they come to protect from the Empire of Bionar. Rowen has become its Queen and needs help to secure her kingdom. He goes to help, but all is not as it seemsâ€¦

### Chapter 7 : Sea Beggars Down Mariners to Capture Sweep - Providence Christian College

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### Chapter 8 : The Sea Beggars by Cecelia Holland

*De Zilvervloot. (A. D. ) A Song Of The Beggars Of The Sea. The Music Arranged For The Holland Society Of New York*

### Chapter 9 : English Historical Fiction Authors: Queen Elizabeth, Spain, and the Sea Beggars

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