# This Coven Won't Break: These Witches Don't Burn

### A Novel by Isabel Sterling

This Coven Won't Break is a powerful and moving story about the strength and resilience of women. Set in the 1600s, the novel follows the lives of three witches who are accused of heresy and must fight for their survival.



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The novel begins with the arrest of Mary, a young woman who is accused of witchcraft by a jealous neighbor. Mary is taken to the local magistrate, who is quick to condemn her as a witch. Mary is then thrown into prison, where she is tortured and interrogated. Despite the pain and suffering, Mary refuses to confess to witchcraft.

As Mary's trial date approaches, her friends and family gather to support her. Among them is Alice, a wise old woman who is also accused of witchcraft. Alice has been practicing magic for many years, and she knows that Mary is innocent. Alice vows to do everything she can to help Mary escape.

On the day of Mary's trial, Alice and her friends create a diversion that allows Mary to escape from prison. Mary then flees to the forest, where she meets a group of other witches. Together, they form a coven and vow to fight against the persecution of witches.

This Coven Won't Break is a powerful indictment of the persecution of women. The novel shows how women were often accused of witchcraft simply because they were different or independent. The novel also celebrates the power of the human spirit. Despite the persecution they face, the witches in This Coven Won't Break never give up hope. They fight for their survival and for the right to live their lives as they choose.

#### Characters

- Mary: A young woman who is accused of witchcraft. Mary is a strong and independent woman who refuses to confess to witchcraft, even when she is tortured.
- Alice: A wise old woman who is also accused of witchcraft. Alice has been practicing magic for many years, and she knows that Mary is innocent. Alice vows to do everything she can to help Mary escape.
- The Widow: A mysterious woman who helps Mary escape from prison. The Widow is a powerful witch who has been fighting against the persecution of witches for many years.
- The Magistrate: A cruel and corrupt man who is determined to convict
   Mary of witchcraft. The Magistrate is a symbol of the persecution of

witches.

**Themes** 

The persecution of women: This Coven Won't Break is a powerful

indictment of the persecution of women. The novel shows how women

were often accused of witchcraft simply because they were different or

independent.

• The power of the human spirit: Despite the persecution they face,

the witches in This Coven Won't Break never give up hope. They fight

for their survival and for the right to live their lives as they choose.

The importance of community: The witches in This Coven Won't

Break find strength and support in their community. They know that

they can rely on each other to help them through difficult times.

Reviews

"This Coven Won't Break is a powerful and moving story about the strength

and resilience of women. Isabel Sterling has created a cast of unforgettable

characters who will stay with you long after you finish the book." - Booklist

"A must-read for fans of historical fiction and feminist literature." - Kirkus

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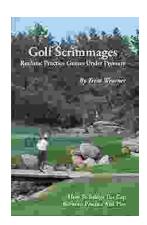
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