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The Battle of Sempach was a pivotal engagement in Swiss history, fought on July 9, 1386, between the Old Swiss Confederacy and the invading Habsburg forces led by Duke Leopold III. This medieval battle, often associated with the legendary sacrifice of Arnold von Winkelried, resulted in a decisive victory for the Swiss, significantly strengthening their independence and solidifying the Confederacy's position against its powerful neighbors.

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### History of the Swiss Confederation

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## Switzerland

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Despite its position at the heart of Europe and its quintessentially European nature, Switzerland's history is often overlooked within the English-speaking world. This comprehensive and engaging history of Switzerland traces the historical and cultural development of this fascinating but neglected European country from the end of the Dark Ages up to the present. The authors focus on the initial Confederacy of the Middle Ages; the religious divisions which threatened it after 1500 and its surprising survival amongst Europe's monarchies; the turmoil following the French Revolution and conquest, which continued until the Federal Constitution of 1848; the testing of the Swiss nation through the late nineteenth century and then two World Wars and the Depression of the 1930s; and the unparalleled economic and social growth and political success of the post-war era. The book concludes with a discussion of the contemporary challenges, often shared with neighbours, that shape the country today.

## The History of Switzerland

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