TAVYA'S SAGA

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This historical novel about the Vikings and the Saxon world of the ninth century was written with authenticity as well as entertainment value in mind. From many years of researching the history of this medieval century, I found a personality of amazing light and influence in a dark age. King Alfred the Great was a lone king holding out against the Vikings in England. Because of this central historical figure, I chose the time period of his life and have let my main characters revolve around what was actually happening in the western world at that time. The geographical areas included are Sweden, England, Russia, and Constantinople. The story is told from the point of view of a Viking slave woman, as there is no "saga" in existence written wholly by a woman.

Of this time period, few primary resources or true histories have survived, and other histories fall into the folk category. However, I have used primary sources such as the Anglo Saxon Chronicle, and other viable resources to get a true picture of the time, and to create a story of adventure and love which quite possibly could have happened just as I have written it.