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**A Priest Reveals the Back Story Behind the DaVinci Code In:
Mysteries of Templar Treasure and the Holy Grail**

The Secrets of Rennes le Château

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Introduction by Tim Wallace-Murphy

Exploring the myths and legends behind one of the world's most fascinating locations.

Next to Rosslyn Chapel in Scotland, no other place on earth holds as much esoteric symbolism as France's Rennes le Château. Its location and design are the subjects of countless rumors, myths and legends. **Mysteries of Templar Treasure and the Holy Grail** (Weiser Books, August 2004), formerly published as *The Secrets of Rennes Château*, delves into the reality behind the action and adventure of *The Da Vinci Code*. Rennes le Château has plenty of secrets: buried treasure, unsolved murders, supernatural powers, codes on parchments and tombstones, not to mention clues concealed in statues and paintings, enigmatic priests who controlled immense wealth, and secret societies that are still active today.

The authors survey the arcane history and secrets of Rennes le Château, including its relationship to the Merovingian bloodline of Christ. The Château is a possible location of an immense treasure, such as a Templar, Cathar, or Priory of Sion hoard. The final resting place of a famous artifact like the Ark of the Covenant, the Spear of Longinus, the Emerald Tablets of Trismegistus – or even the Holy Grail.

The authors also examine Rennes le Château's proximity to Cathar and Templar fortresses, its mystical layout, and its location on the same Paris meridian as so many other esoteric mysteries.

Extensive appendices in the book offer possible solutions to secret cryptograms, point out odd connections and commonalities between Rennes le Château and J.R.R. Tolkien's *Lord of the Rings*, and suggest the possibility of fourth-dimension/tesseract implications.

Lionel and Patricia Fanthorpe have spent years researching Rennes le Château and its mysteries. They are members of standing in a contemporary Templar Order. Together they run a management-consulting agency. They live in Cardiff, Wales.

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