

El Cid and the Reconquista 1050-1492

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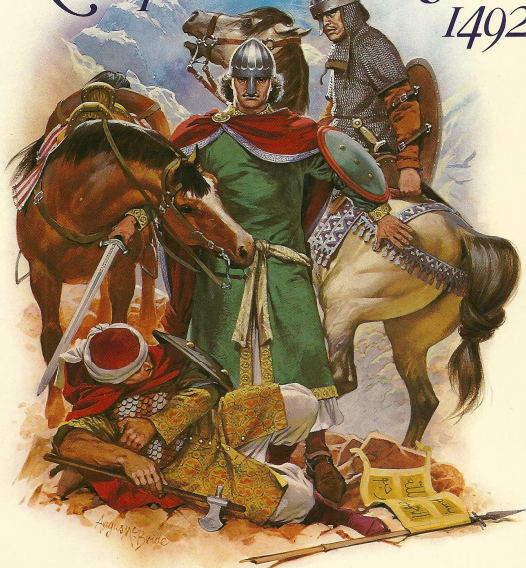
Late 15th century infantry

Comments:

A broad survey of a complicated chunk of Iberian history. Although the title refers to the legendary *El Cid*, his time period is only one of several covered, and there is little specific information about the 11th century Spanish hero. (That's supposedly him ó in the green tunic ó on the cover.) There are also photos of contemporary sculptures showing examples of arms and armor, along with line drawings of weaponry, and photos of some surviving fortifications. No real focus on battles or individual campaigns.

--George Arnold

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