

The Castle of Otranto

by Horace Walpole

Published in 1764, Walpole's wild tale of evil noblemen, maidens in distress, murder and abduction is generally held to be the first gothic novel, initiating a literary genre which would become extremely popular in the later 18th century and early 19th century. Walpole

is arguably the forerunner of such authors as Ann Radcliffe, Bram Stoker, Daphne du Maurier, and Stephen King. (Summary from Wikipedia)



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