

Giuseppe Verdi Opera Macbeth Synopsis

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Macbeth, a Scottish nobleman, is persuaded by his ambitious wife, Lady Macbeth, to murder King Duncan. They succeed, but their conscience torments them. Macbeth becomes a tyrant, and Lady Macbeth goes mad. In the end, they are both killed, and Malcolm, the son of Duncan, is crowned King of Scotland.

Act I
Macbeth and Lady Macbeth discuss the murder of King Duncan. Macbeth is hesitant, but Lady Macbeth is determined. They decide to proceed with the plan.

Act II
Macbeth murders King Duncan in his chamber. Lady Macbeth covers up the crime. The king's death is discovered, and the nobles flee to Malcolm.

Act III
Macbeth kills Banquo, a nobleman who has prophesied that his descendants will be kings. Lady Macbeth is shocked and horrified.

Act IV
Macbeth consults the witches, who give him a prophecy that he will be king, but that his reign will be short. He becomes more determined to kill Malcolm and his wife, Lady Macduff.

Act V
Macbeth kills Lady Macduff and her children. He then kills Malcolm and Lady Macbeth. He is killed by Macduff, and Malcolm is crowned King of Scotland.

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