

Anne Boleyn was Queen of England from 1533 to 1536. She was the second wife of Henry VIII, king of England.

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Anne Boleyn was executed on 19th May 1536 in the Tower of London because her husband was tired of her and did not love her any more.

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A French man beheaded her with a sword. Her body and head were buried in the Chapel of St. Peter, next to the Tower Green.

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The legend says that in 1864 a soldier saw a headless woman, Anne Boleyn's ghost, near the tower and he fell down in shock.

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A captain of the guard also saw her walking in the White Tower, wearing an elegant dress and holding her head.

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People say that Anne Boleyn's ghost still walks around the Tower of London and the place where she was buried.

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On 6th February 1540, in the Church of Santa Maria, Cervera, five priests used a knife to divide a piece of the True Cross in which Christ died. A priest brought the cross from Martorell, where a soldier who came from Rome gave it to him.

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However, they could not break it with the knife. When they tried with their fingers, they could divide the cross easily and a drop of blood covered the piece of wood. At the same time, although the weather was clear and sunny, everybody could hear a loud thunder.

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All the people shouted "Mystery, mystery!" and thought it was a miracle from heaven. This is why we celebrate the Festa Major of our town on this date.

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People from different villages came to Cervera to be cured from illnesses by the powers of the cross. However, in 1619, somebody stole the cross from the church.

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A boy called Josep Balaguer, who lived in the main street of Cervera, confessed his fault. He said that his father, Joan Balaguer, ordered him to steal the cross so as to receive a prize for returning it in exchange.

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The punishment for the son was exile and for the father, death. Joan Balaguer was beheaded and his head was exposed on an iron cage which hanged near the entrance of the church.

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This cage can still be seen (without Balaguer's head) and reminds us of the legend of the True Cross.

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