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#### About the Author

All three authors appeared in previous 'farm' series, including 'Edwardian Farm' and the award-winning 'Victorian Farm' as well as 'Tales from the Green Valley' (all BBC2). Peter Ginn studied archaeology at University College London and has since been an archaeological digger, supervisor and teacher. Historian Ruth Goodman is an expert in nineteenth-century social and domestic history and has appeared in a number of television series, most recently 'Victorian Pharmacy'. She spent ten years as a historical advisor to the Royal Shakespeare Company's Globe Theatre and also appeared in the BBC2 programme 'Tales from the Banquet Hall'. Alex Langlands is an archaeologist and historian with a fascination for the British landscape. He has excavated numerous archaeological sites in a bid to understand agricultural practices throughout history.

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