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FIRST CITATIONS IN footnotes contain full information, whereas the bibliography consists of selected works, including the main primary sources. The articles published in Dietrich Kötzsche, ed., *Das Evangeliar Heinrichs des Löwen. Kommentar zum Faksimile* (Frankfurt am Main: Insel, 1989) and Jochen Luckhardt and Franz Niehoff, eds., *Heinrich der Löwe und seine Zeit. Herrschaft und Repräsentation der Welfen 1125–1235*, 3 vols. (Munich: Hirmer, 1995) appear in the footnotes but have been omitted from the bibliography. The focus in the select bibliography is on material culture, women, and power.

I have anglicized most names, including German emperors and places like Braunschweig (as Brunswick) and Hannover (Hanover), but have made some exceptions, including Marie (of Champagne) and Alix (of Blois). The name Leonor of Castile is preferred over that of Eleanor in order to avoid confusion between the queen of Castile and her mother, Eleanor of Aquitaine. To enhance readability, dates of death of major figures are largely absent in the introduction; instead these are given in the subsequent chapters.