

The Patronizing Plague

The plague also known as the black death was an infection that killed a higher proportion of the population than any other known event killing around 50 million people.

The black death was a fatal infection if it wasn't treated. It was a bubonic plague caused by infections with the bacterium *Yersinia pestis*.

It originated in China and spread to the Mediterranean and Northern Africa and then reached Southern England in 1348. It reached Northern Britain and Scandinavia in 1360.

The black death started in 1345 and lasted 8 years ending in 1353.

Alexandre Yersin was the man who discovered the bacterium responsible for the plague.

Imposition of quarantine measures was thought to have ended the black death.

People were known to last only 2 to 7 days before dying.

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