







bases that dotted the dmz it is the definitive oral history of the vietnam war told in the uncompromising no holds barred language of the soldiers themselves

Vietnam 2013-04-20 written by the us army s urban warfare specialist this book is the definitive look at how urban warfare tactics have evolved providing invaluable lessons for the us and british armies of the future throughout history cities have been at the center of warfare from sieges to street fighting from peace keeping to coups de mains sun tzu admonished his readers of the art of war that the lowest realization of warfare was to attack a fortified city indeed although strategists have advised against it across the millennia armies and generals have been forced nonetheless to attack and defend cities and victory has required that they do it well in concrete hell louis dimarco has provided a masterful study of the brutal realities of urban warfare of what it means to seize and hold a city literally block by block such a study could not be more timely we live in an increasingly urbanizing world a military unprepared for urban operations is unprepared for tomorrow di marco masterfully studies the successes and failures of past battles in order to provide lessons for today s tacticians

Concrete Hell 2012-11-20 at the beginning of world war ii the luftwaffe was the world s most advanced air force with superior tactics aircraft and training it cut through opposition air forces despite this auspicious beginning by 1945 the luftwaffe was a dying force the allies were destroying german aircraft at unequal rates and luftwaffe aviators were dying in their thousands in an unbalanced battle to save germany from destruction hitler s eagles charts the turbulent history of the luftwaffe from its earliest days to its downfall once hitler was in power the luftwaffe came out of the shadows and expanded under a massive rearmament programme then embarked upon the war that would define its existence as well as providing a detailed history of the luftwaffe s combat experience the book expands on its human and material aspects aces and commanders are profiled and aircraft are described both technologically and tactically the book conveys all the drama of the luftwaffe s existence with osprey s famous aviation artwork bringing the story incomparably to life

**Hitler's Eagles** 2012-11-20 special forces sniper skills is a hard hitting account of the men weapons and techniques used to coldly eliminate high value targets on the battlefield though many books have become best sellers through telling one side of the story a sniper s experiences a training manual or a weapons catalogue none before have combined the whole spectrum of a sniper s life and skills into one gripping book this book examines the role of the sniper and the unique skills employed when serving as part of a special forces unit including the british sas the us navy seals and the russian spetznaz the book is illustrated with photographs of every aspect of the sniper s trade and stories from the real life experiences of the author s comrades men who have served in almost every overt and covert conflict since world war ii

**Special Forces Sniper Skills** 2012-12-20 from an expert on the eastern front of world war ii this book chronicles the cataclysmic experience of the region that includes modern day lithuania estonia and latvia the baltic states suffered more than almost any other territory during world war ii caught on the front line of some of the war s most vicious battles and squeezed between the vast military might of the german wehrmacht and the soviet red army combining new archival research and numerous first hand accounts this is a magisterial description of conquest and exploitation of death and deportation and the fight for survival both by countries and individuals

Between Giants 2013-05-20 deep in the bunkers of nazi germany many of the world s top scientists worked to create a new generation of war winning super weapons a few of these such as jet aircraft and the v2 rocket became realities at the end of the war others never made it off the drawing board written by noted research scientist brian ford this exciting book charts the history of secret weapons development by all the major powers during the war from british radar to japanese ray guns and explains the impact that these developments eventually had on the outcome of world war ii ford also takes a look at the weapons that never made it to development stage as well as the more radical plans such as the idea of turning hitler into a woman with hormone treatment

**Secret Weapons** 2013-09-20 author mike green provides new insights into the creation and ultimate failure of the german panther tank in most people s opinion the german panther tank was the most elegant tank design of world war ii it embodied a balance of firepower armor protection and mobility unmatched by any other tank of the period yet it was not the war winner it might have been author mike green examines the disparity between the potential of the panther design and the actuality of the fielded panther tank in this book though many viewed the panther as an engineering masterpiece and a technological breakthrough it failed to meet expectations on the battlefield and thus proved a major setback to hitler s dreams of world domination

green explores the evolution and devolution of the panther providing keen insight and new reasons for its ultimate failure

**Panther** 2012-07-20 america s elites takes the reader through some of the most dramatic special forces operations in us history from sniping british commanders during the revolutionary war to riverine incursions in the mekong delta in vietnam and from demolition missions on d day to the seal assault on osama bin laden s compound in 2011 training and selection procedures are explained in detail and the book also describes some of the technologies that have separated regular soldiers from their special forces counterparts illustrated throughout with striking photography and artworks america s elites forms the most comprehensive and visually impressive single volume guide to us special forces available

**America's Elite** 2013-03-20 a detailed history of sako the rice paddy navy the u s navy s accomplished top secret covert operation in china during world war ii after the attack on pearl harbor the u s navy knew it would need vital information from the pacific after a meeting and a handshake agreement with chiang kai shek the sino american cooperative organization was born this top secret network worked hand in hand with the nationalist chinese to fight the japanese occupation of china while it intercepted japanese code laid mines and trained chinese peasants in guerrilla warfare its work supplied critical information to the u s and contributed to the felling of more than 70 000 japanese while losing only five of their own men sako the rice paddy navy was one of the best kept secrets of the war linda kush uncovers the military accomplishments and political wrangling that colored one of the most successful and little known efforts of world war ii

**The Rice Paddy Navy** 2012-11-20 bill yenne brings to life the untold story of lidiya vladimirovna russia s world war ii flying ace who lit up the skies over germany and russia while flying 66 combat missions of all the major air forces that were engaged in the war only the red air force had units comprised specifically of women initially the red air force maintained an all male policy among its combat pilots however as the apparently invincible german juggernaut sliced through soviet defenses the red air force began to rethink its ban on women by october 1941 authorization was forthcoming for three ground attack regiments of women pilots among these women lidiya vladimirovna lilya litvyak soon emerged as a rising star she shot down five german aircraft over the stalingrad front and thus become history s first female ace she scored 12 documented victories over german aircraft between september 1942 and july 1943 she also had many victories shared with other pilots bringing her possible total to around 20 the fact that she was a 21 year old woman ace was not lost on the hero hungry soviet media and soon this colourful character whom the germans dubbed the white rose of stalingrad became both folk heroine and martyr

**The White Rose of Stalingrad** 2013-02-20 90

2006-06 in the para fitness guide major sam mcgrath of the legendary parachute regiment has collected together an inspirational series of exercises which are perfect for anyone every year getting fit and losing weight is at the top of the list of resolutions but few of us manage to stick to any kind of fitness regime what you need is a military instructor watching over your exercise programme helping you out and encouraging you along the way unfortunately we can t supply you with your own personal fitness expert but this book is the next best thing sam offers advice on how to choose a gym eat well prepare for exercise warm up and how to warm down to reduce the impact of all of those aches and pains the book also sets out six challenges for readers to aim for as they follow this programme including a 10 mile race and the grueling fan dance around the brecon beacons recession proof your fitness programme with our accompanying iphone app have major sam mcgrath as your own personal portable trainer on your mobile device the updated app now features the emperor training programme pushing your quest for fitness further with weight training with our help you can be fighting fit in time for your summer hols

*The Para Fitness Guide* 2012-07-20 an elite battalion under louis xvi the 9th light infantry regiment were with napoleon from almost the beginning turning the field at marengo and breaking the austrians they then spent over a decade fighting their way across the continent following napoleon to the bitter end bringing their eagle out of hiding when napoleon returned from exile in 1815 they almost saved the day again at waterloo spearheading a charge to rejoin napoleon but unlike at marengo they failed napoleon dubbed them incomparable and their story is extraordinary even by the standards of the dramatic and turbulent years in which they lived

Incomparable 2012-09-20 this book examines in detail the japanese infantryman who was despite comparisons with the notorious german waffen ss an

enigma to westerners brutal in its treatment of prisoners as well as the inhabitants of the areas that it conquered the imperial japanese army also had exacting standards for its own men strict codes of honor compelled japanese soldiers to fight to the death against the more technologically advanced allies identifying the ways in which the japanese soldier differed from his western counterpart the author explores concepts such as bushido seppuku shiki and hakko ichi u in order to understand what motivated japanese warriors

**Japanese Infantryman 1937-45** 2012-09-20 hitler first considered an invasion of great britain in autumn 1940 then scheduled operation barbarossa the conquest of the european part of the soviet union for may 1941 anxious to emulate hitler s successes the italian dictator mussolini embarked upon unnecessary military adventures in north africa and the balkans which forced hitler s intervention diverting and depleting precious german resources and a six week postponement of barbarossa in this second of four volumes men at arms 311 316 326 330 on the german army of the second world war nigel thomas examines the uniforms and insignia of the forces involved in north africa and the balkans men at arms 311 316 326 330 and 336 are also available in a single volume special edition titled german army in world war ii

The German Army 1939-45 (2) 2012-09-20 in august 1745 charles edward stuart the young pretender landed in scotland and sparked the second jacobite rising the jacobite forces seized perth then edinburgh where they proclaimed the young pretender s father king james viii they trounced their hanoverian opponents at prestonpans and crossed into england getting as far south as derby before withdrawing into scotland far from universally popular north of the border the jacobite army bested another hanoverian army at falkirk and besieged stirling only to be routed by the duke of cumberland s army at culloden in april 1746 a crushing defeat that ended any prospect of a stuart restoration featuring full colour artwork depicting the distinctive uniforms of cumberland s men this exhaustively researched study offers a wealth of detail of regimental strengths and casualties and includes an extended chronology that places individual units in specific places throughout the campaign that culminated at culloden

Cumberland's Culloden Army 1745-46 2012-10-20 the island of guam was the first allied territory lost to the japanese onslaught in 1941 on 10 december 5 000 japanese troops landed on guam defended by less than 500 us and guamanian troops the outcome was beyond doubt on 21 july 1944 america returned in a risky operation the two us landing forces came ashore seven miles apart and it was a week before the beachheads linked up only the battles for iwo jima and okinawa would cost the americans more men than the landings on guam and saipan which immediately preceded the guam operation in this book gordon rottman details the bitter 26 day struggle for this key pacific island

**Guam 1941 & 1944** 2013-01-20 the ninja were the secret agents and assassins of feudal japan and they remain a subject of enduring fascination they first emerged during the power struggles of 9th and 10th century japan in response to the increasing demand for spies informants and even assassins and they were used until the mid 1600s when they disappeared on account of a campaign to destroy them this title provides an accurate and detailed account of the reality of the ninja detailing their daily life training hiring combat use and secret operations also covered are the ninja s use and knowledge of poisons medicines and charms

**Ninja AD 1460-1650** 2012-08-20 look there is jackson standing like a stone wall rally behind the virginians with these words general bee ensured the reputation of thomas jackson and his troops who were fighting alongside him at the battle of the the first bull run this reputation was enhanced during jackson s shenandoah valley campaign and other operations where the stonewall brigade s actions gained the praise of their confederate compatriots and the respect of their enemies this book examines the uniforms equipment history and organization of the brigade and its combat experience during the american civil war detailed maps and contemporary illustrations accompany this account of their major engagements

The Stonewall Brigade 2012-12-20 the eto is seen by many as the major theater of world war ii with more infantry regiments serving there than any other this title follows one soldier joseph as he is drafted in february 1941 trains with the 22d infantry in the united states and then ships to england in january 1944 on d day he lands on utah beach and in the following months fights through france belgium and into germany the problems the common soldier faced between june 1944 and may 1945 are dealt with in particular in this authoritative and moving book

US Infantryman in World War II (3) 2012-07-20 between november 1942 and may 1945 us army infantry units fought in eight named campaigns in the mediterranean theater this title follows one soldier from enlistment in 1942 through training in a replacement training center assignment to the 1st battalion 133d regiment 34th infantry division red bull and into combat among the battles covered are fondouk pass hill 609 salerno monte cassino anzio

and the fighting in the po valley a key focus is on the heavy weapons company which consisted of two machine gun platoons and one mortar platoon the training and combat roles of the machine gunner s military occupational specialty are discussed in detail

**US Infantryman in World War II (2)** 2012-07-20 the death of alexander the great in 323 bc threw the macedonians into confusion there was no capable heir and no clear successor among the senior figures in alexander s circle initial attempts to preserve the unity of alexander s conquests gave way to a period of bloody and prolonged warfare for well over a century the largely mercenary armies of alexander s successors imposed their influence over the whole of the near east while absorbing local military practices after rome s decisive defeat of carthage in 202 bc macedonia came under increasing pressure from the romans three wars between the two powers culminated in the roman victory at pydna in 168 bc which laid alexander s empire to rest and established roman hegemony in the near east drawing upon a wide array of archaeological and written sources and written by a noted authority on the hellenistic period this survey of the organization battle history and appearance of the armies of alexander s successors is lavishly illustrated with specially commissioned full colour artwork

**Macedonian Armies after Alexander 323-168 BC** 2012-11-20 the us m60 general purpose machine gun known as the pig was developed in the years after world war ii from two revolutionary german designs adopted in 1957 the m60 came into its own in the jungles hamlets and city streets of southeast asia during the vietnam war humping the pig became common in us military squads with at least one soldier equipped with an m60 and every squad member carrying ammunition for it the m60 design transformed infantry tactics as squads took advantage of the immediate volume of fire offered by the design although it has now been replaced by the m240 series of weapons in us infantry and mechanized units the m60 is still in common use with the us armed forces meanwhile its iconic status has been assured by its frequent appearance in many popular films and television shows from full metal jacket to the a team featuring specially commissioned full color artwork this is the full story of the m60 the innovative squad base of fire weapon that has equipped the us military from the jungles of vietnam to the deserts of iraq

*The M60 Machine Gun* 2012-11-20 first mentioned by name in ad 297 the pictis inhabited northern britain from the end of the 3rd century ad to the 9th they rose to power in the devastation following emperor septimus severus s repression of the caledonians in ad 208 and dominated northern britain for over 500 years before vanishing mysteriously the pictis represent a high point of celtic civilisation remaining free and unconquered beyond the borders of the roman world and rising to become the first barbarians to form a recognisable nation this title takes a detailed look at their origins and examines pictish heroic and warrior society covering education and training appearance and equipment the status of women and the experience of battle

*Pictish Warrior AD 297-841* 2012-08-20

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