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some of the bitterest fighting of world war ii the fanatical opposition called for extreme measures from u s british and australain land sea and air forces with detailed narrative and captions the many archival photographs in the war in the south pacific make for a superb record of this legendary conflict the experiences and achievements of the united states land sea and air forces on 6 june 1944 and the weeks following have been deservedly well chronicled omaha beach saw the fiercest fighting of the whole overlord invasion and the opposition faced in the us sector shocked commanders and men at all levels the outcome was in the balance and thanks to the courage and determination shown by the attackers game changing failure was narrowly averted this superb images of war book examines using contemporary and modern images and maps the course of the campaign and its implication for both the american troops and the civilian population of the battle zone these revealing images both color and black and white are enhanced by full captions and the author s thoroughly researched text the result is a graphic reminder of the liberation of northern france and the extraordinary sacrifice made by men not just of the united states military but the other allied nations the crimean war was a conflict between the russian empire and an alliance of the french empire british empire ottoman empire and the kingdom of sardinia the war was part of a long running contest between the major european powers for influence over territories of the declining ottoman empire most of the conflict took place on the crimean peninsula but there were smaller campaigns in western anatolia the caucasus the baltic sea the pacific ocean and the white sea the crimean war is known for the logistical and tactical errors during the land campaign on both sides the naval side saw a successful allied campaign which eliminated most of the ships of the russian navy in the black sea nonetheless it is sometimes considered to be one of the first modern wars as it introduced technical changes which affected the future course of warfare including the first tactical use of railways and the electric telegraph it is also famous for the work of florence nightingale and mary seacole who pioneered modern nursing practices while caring for wounded british soldiers the war also led to the establishment of the victoria cross in 1856 backdated to 1854 the british army s first universal award for valor the crimean war was one of the first wars to be documented extensively in photographs news correspondence

reaching britain from the crimea was the first time the public were kept informed of the day to day realities of war this unique collection of images will prove to be an invaluable resource for historians students and all those interested in what was one of the most significant periods in british military history each picture will tell its own story and will be fully captioned with historical detail the siege of malta during world war ii was one of the greatest dramas of the conflict bereft of vital defending aircraft guns and ammunition this small island endured a succession of air raids from the italian and german air forces valetta was virtually destroyed the inhabitants took to living in the hills and caves as their houses lay in ruins food was scarce and the islands only salvation and survival depended on the arrival of the allied convoys which themselves were constantly under attack as they dodged their way across hostile mediterranean seas this book contains unseen photographs taken during the siege and dramatically show what life was like for the population and the troops and pilots who so valiantly defended malta dragged forcefully by japan into the second world war the united states of america in 1942 gradually increased its presence also in the mediterranean basin here until then the balance of the conflict had always been in the balance between the axis forces and the british and commonwealth ones technological innovation and the arms race put in the field by the american war industry meant that quickly the fate of the conflict in the mediterranean area changed radically in favor of the allied forces an unprecedented firepower was unleashed first on the cities of southern italy and in the course of 1943 on the whole national territory leading to the fall of the fascist regime then to the armistice and subsequently to the declaration of war by italy to germany itself in a little less than three years the allied military force was able to conquer most of the italian territory reaching the capital rome on june 4 1944 the japanese imperial army was the most powerful force in the far east during the 1930s and early 1940s and this photographic history is the ideal introduction to it in a vivid selection of archive images most of which have not before been published philip jowett covers its role in a series of conflicts beginning with the invasion of manchuria in 1931 through its final defeat in the pacific war in august 1945 he describes the development of the army its structure organization and expansion during these years and illustrates its actions in a series of campaigns that are often overlooked including those in china

between 1931 and 1937 and the nomonhan campaign against the soviet union in 1938 the photographs and accompanying text dramatically reveal the extraordinary ambition of the japanese military during these years rising sun at war provides a graphic record of the japanese army s performance against the opposing forces that were eventually arrayed against it the chinese british soviets and americans by march 1945 the red army had closed in on berlin marshal zhukov with almost a million soldiers and 20 000 tanks and guns at his disposal launched his assault of the seelow heights while costly with 30 000 russians killed it brought the russian army to the gates of the capital on 20 april hitler s 56th birthday soviet artillery began a massive bombardment of the doomed city the fuhrer ordered every soldier hitlerjugend and volksstrum to fight to the death the house to house fighting that followed was brutal and savage with heavy casualties for both military and civilians using superb russian and german imagery this fine images of war series book describes the russian assault and nazi last ditch defense of hitler s capital during the final days of the third reich at a secret meeting on 3 november 1944 hitler s plan for seizing back the initiative from the advancing allies was briefed to his commanders under the codename operation wacht amrhein a massive counter attack would be launched against the americans in the ardennes sector which was not only the weakest part of the front but also the least likely axis of attack due to the mountainous terrain and the harsh winter weather certainly when it came in december the german offensive achieved devastating surprise those americans unfortunate enough to bear the brunt of the attack were thrown into confusion and in many case panic for a time it looked as though hitler s last great gamble known today as the battle of the bulge would pay off sensationaly sixty years on these momentous events of the winter of 1944 1945 are recorded in pictorial form in this informative book which portrays the horror of war under the most desperate conditions book jacket with comprehensive captions and text this superb book is the latest in the best selling images of war series and the second instalment of the author s pictorial history of the german panzers in the second world war the panzer iii saw almost continuous action from the the annexation of czechoslovakia the invasion of poland and then france and the low countries in north africa italy the eastern front and finally the retreat back into germany between 1936 and 1945 many thousands of panzer iii s were

built it quickly demonstrated its superiority on the battlefield and for most of the war remained a match for its opponents heavy tanks the superb collection of images show how these formidable tanks were adapted and up gunned to face the ever increasing enemy threat the expert commentary describes how the germans carefully utilized all available reserves and resources into building numerous production variants and how they coped on the battlefield this is a splendid description of the one of the nazis foremost fighting machines and a worthy successor volume to the acclaimed panzer iv at war photographic history of the conflict between china and japan during the second world war graphic images showing the experience of the soldiers on both sides shows the plight of the civilians caught up in the fighting a compelling introduction to an often neglected aspect of the world wide conflict a record of the chinese and japanese there have been few books written in english about the french army during the great war those that have are scarcely illustrated this book aims to provide a highly readable and succinct account of the work of the french army on the western front as well as provide the reader with a wealth of photographs that show the daily life of the french soldier both in and out of the trenches all of the images are contemporary many coming from wartime and postwar magazines interspersed with many previously unpublished images the book aims to give a concise overview of the war seen through french eyes and includes the casualties incurred although the may 1917 mutinies were an important but brief part of the story they are not dealt with at any length because they can distract from the main story of the valor shown by the french troops in battles where the casualties were extremely high also included is a lengthy introduction which explains the structure of the army at the onset of the war and some of the problems it faced and a section that looks at the uniforms worn and how they changed during the war the great push as the offensive was advertised to the nation began 1 july 1916 a glossy picture magazine was produced to inform the british public of the progress of the offensive this book helps capture the propaganda thrust of the times and presents once more the illustrations of those bewildering days along with an id number for easy reference the photographs in this book are taken from five unpublished albums focussing on the german invsion of russia in 1941 operation barbarossa page 4 sixty years ago the world had been at war for nearly six years the cost in life

and material terms was appalling millions of men and women had died families and nations destroyed and all sides were suffering grievously in human and financial terms the allies were closing in on hitler s germany from the east west and south to historians today the outcome was inevitable but for those living and fighting at the time nothing could be taken for granted this book tells in true images of war style the story of those final months of the second world war unique photography and informed captions capture the allied campaigns in new europe and italy culminating in the celebration of victory both at home and in theater beginning his wartime career on the western front in august 1916 manfred von richthofen or the red baron as he became known had shot down an impressive total of fifteen aircraft by january 1917 as well as being appointed commander of his own unit by the time of his death in 1918 he had destroyed a staggering total of eighty allied aircraft from the perspective of the allies he was a deadly menace for the germans he was a fighter pilot hero of legendary significance this fascinating collection of rare images offers a fresh perspective on the baron himself as well as a number of his adversaries from the allied side of the line in 1945 amidst the ruins of a bomb damaged german home a tattered book deutschland erwache was recovered as a souvenir by a british soldier this rare and invaluable primary resource now forms the basis of the rise of hitler illustrated which is a photographic record of hitlers rise to power from when he was born in 1889 as he took over the hearts and minds of the german people and his eventual arrival at the top the original book is typical of the propaganda of the time with the obvious non critical acceptance of everything that adolf hitler was and what he stood for it attempts to present him as a peace loving man who wanted nothing other than quiet in his beloved alps who dearly loved children and was kind to all but as we all know the truth was completely different he was a man who despite his unbounded evilness was able to assert limitless power over a nation before creating maximum misery for millions when found the original book was divest of its cover and all the worse for wear but trevor salisbury has gone to every effort to salvage some of the images the result a fresh and new perspective that sheds light on hitler s control of germany it is a welcome addition to pen sword s highly acclaimed images of war series during the second world war five brutal battles were fought in and around warsaw each proved to be dramatic decisive and bloody and

in this volume of the images of war series anthony tucker jones records them all in graphic detail the first occurred in 1939 when the polish army was defeated by the german invaders and five years of occupation followed the second was sparked by the jewish ghetto uprising in 1943 which was ruthlessly suppressed by 1 200 ss troops and led to the deaths of 13 000 people in the third the red army s advance was beaten back at the gates of the city in the summer of 1944 and the fourth was fought at the same time when the nazis crushed the rising of the polish home army and sought to destroy the city in an act of revenge the failure of the rising consigned the country to decades of communist rule the photographs and the detailed narrative give the reader a powerful impression of the experience of the people of warsaw during this tragic period in their history and document the widespread devastation the fighting left in its wake by spring 1945 while the war in europe was coming to a close in the pacific there was no end to hostilities in sight the japanese albeit retreating defended every outpost and island with fanatical determination and all the indications were that japan would have to be invaded at a terrible cost the two atomic bombs at hiroshima and nagasaki changed this and the world forever victory in the pacific tells the story of the last six months of the war against japan in the pacific the philippines burma and china in words and pictures culminating in the atom bomb raids and the occupation of japan by christmas 1914 britain s regular army had virtually ceased to exist four months of hard fighting had drained its manpower and the territorial army were called on to plug the gaps the part timers leapt at the chance to serve their country overseas and were soon on their way to the trenches and the harsh realities of war on the western front flanders 1915 tells the story through rare and previously unpublished photographs and extended captions of one of those eager territorial battalions posted to flanders during the first twelve months of ww1 it forms a unique and intimate record of the early years of war many images captured on film by the private cameras of the battalion s junior officers before official censorship was established above all it is a rare and outstanding portrait of the great adventure of war in the days before loos the somme and passchendaele and the resulting lengthy casualty lists rare photographs from wartime archives cover the latest in the ever popular images of war series describes the bitter fighting and extreme conditions of the eastern front superb and rare images of axis

and russian armour and other weapons equipment in action compiled by our foremost images of war author and photographic collector motorbikes were widely used by all sides in ww2 due to their agility adaptability and speed a precious few survive today as rare collectors items the author who is the photo archivist at the iwm has unearthed images of all the major marques famous british names triumph norton matchless bsa velocette james and rudge feature along with the bigger american machines from indian and harley davidson german bikes have their own chapter with classics such as nsu zundapp and bmw and include hybrid traed motorcycles known as kettengrad with some shots actually taken by general erwin rommel himself also covered are rare experimental prototypes photographed during trials and later in combat the funnies of the wartime biking world such as the airborne forces excelsior welbike british and the cushman parascooter us together this is a unique collection of two wheeled images the third and final volume of the author s americans in north west europe series covers the historic period december 1944 to may 1945 launched in december 1944 the nazis ardennes offensive known as the battle of the bulge was one of the most dangerous periods of the war during six weeks of desperate fighting more us soldiers were killed wounded or reported missing than in any battle in american history the rhine was crossed in march 1945 first by the seizure of the railway bridge at remagen and then by the combined american british and canadian ground and airborne operation codenamed varsity in the closing stages of the war the western allies pushed remorselessly in the heart of germany shocking evidence of nazi atrocities was uncovered berlin fell to the russians in early may and the allies met up on the river elbe in the chaos that followed germany was divided into four zones of occupation the immediate tasks were ensuring the survival of the civilian population establishing law and order and the capture of war criminals in true images of war style this book graphically describes the magnificent role played by us forces under general eisenhower s overall command photographic history of one of the great battles of the first world war over 150 previously unpublished wartime photographs showing each stage of the fighting graphic insight into the experience of the soldiers in the front line unforgettable images of the verdun forts and battlefield published to mark the centenary of the battle the war in air over north africa and the mediterranean during the second world war has long been overshadowed by

the battle on the ground between 1940 and 1943 italy's Regia Aeronautica and then Germany's Luftwaffe waged a concerted aerial campaign against the British yet apart from the bitter fight for Malta this aspect of the conflict is rarely given the attention it deserves Anthony Tucker Jones in this vivid photographic history provides a fascinating introduction to it the wartime photographs and the concise text cover the entire course of the struggle in the air the Regia Aeronautica at first met weak British opposition when Mussolini launched his ill advised offensive against British controlled Egypt but the obsolete Italian aircraft proved to be no match for the Allied fighters once the strength of the Royal Air Force built up then when Hitler stepped in to help his hapless ally the aerial struggle intensified and the air forces of both sides were locked in deadly combat in the skies over Egypt Libya the Mediterranean and Tunisia the wide range of Italian British German and American aircraft involved the air and ground crews from all sides and the conditions in which they operated and fought are all shown in this varied selection of photographs the miracle of Dunkirk saved vast numbers of British and French forces but could not prevent the surrender of France leaving Britain to fight on virtually alone the splendid photographs in this book tell the story of this extraordinary period of history they include previously unseen images of Rommel's Ghost Division General Douglas MacArthur commander of the Southwest Pacific Area saw the liberation of the Philippines archipelago as the launching board for the invasion of the Japanese home islands by late 1944 with the capture of New Guinea and surrounding islands the US Sixth and Eighth Armies were poised for the challenge American forces landed on Leyte on 20 October 1944 with the Leyte Gulf naval battle quickly following by 25 December the island was cleared opening the way for Lieutenant General Walter Krueger's Sixth Army to invade Luzon on 9 January 1945 bitter Japanese resistance required Eichelberger's Eighth Army as reinforcements Manila finally fell on 4 March in the meantime Bataan was captured on 16 February and Corregidor on 2 March after a US airborne assault fighting continued and MacArthur finally declared the liberation of the archipelago on 5 July just a month before the atom bombs fell on Hiroshima and Nagasaki this superbly illustrated work in the Pacific War Images of War series leaves the reader in no doubt as to the intensity of the land sea and air operations required by the Allies to defeat the Japanese this new volume in the

long running images of war series features the actions of the british army on the somme not only is the book comprised of rare photographs illustrating the actions of the british army fighting on the somme but it is accompanied by a powerful text written by official war correspondent philip gibbs who was an eyewitness to the events photographs from the battlefield illustrate the terrible conditions which the british forces on the battlefield endured in the notorious engagement which has become synonymous with vainglorious sacrifice this book incorporates a wide range of images encompassing the actions of the british infantry and their supporting artillery also featured are images which depict the almost incomprehensible reality of landscape which characterized the war in the trenches portraits of the british troops are contrasted with german prisoners of war and the endless battle to get the supply columns through to the front this new volume in the long running images of war series features the actions of the german army on the somme the book is comprised of rare photographs illustrating the german army fighting a dogged defensive war against superior odds on the somme it is accompanied by a powerful text written by official war correspondent philip gibbs who was an eyewitness to the events photographs from the battlefield illustrate the terrible conditions which the beleaguered german forces on the battlefield endured in the notorious engagement which has become synonymous with vainglorious sacrifice this book incorporates a wide range of images that encompass the actions of the german infantry and their supporting artillery also featured are images which depict the almost incomprehensible condition of the battlefield and the trenches after more than one million shells had been poured into the german lines portraits of the german troops are contrasted with surviving images of captured british prisoners of war and the endless battle to get the supply columns through to the front formed in 1942 8th ss cavalry division florian geyer was soon deployed to the eastern front where hitler s ambition to conquer russia was stalling badly in common with other ss units the division was responsible for razing towns and villages poisoning wells and genocide often against unarmed civilians this scorched earth policy was aimed at hindering the red army s advance after moving south the division took part in the retreat from the dneiper river before operating in hungary and croatia the end came when trapped in budapest by soviet and romanian forces the division was destroyed in december

1944 by the end of the siege only 800 of the 30 000 men in the ss corps reached german lines using many startling contemporary images this latest book in the author s images of war series vividly illustrates the horror of warfare on the eastern front the famous image of hitler in paris has become one of the most iconic images of the second world war however hitler only spent a few hours in paris before heading to flanders to re visit the sites of the battlefields where he had served during the great war he was on a propaganda mission to publicize his own war service and a full photographic record of hitler s visits to france and flanders was produced by heinrich hoffman hitler s personal photographer those photographs from 1940 have now been collected together for the first time and are reproduced here along with all of the most important surviving images of hitler in the great war featuring rare and previously unpublished images of hitler in france and flanders from 1914 to 1940 this important photographic study documents a vital but often overlooked chapter in the story of adolf hitler

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Sherman Tank 2005-09-01 a brilliant and prolific collection of rare photographs celebrating the war winning qualities of arguably the most important tank of the second world war many of the marvelous images have never been seen before but thanks to the author who has special access to the iwm archive they are now available with full authoritative captions

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The War in the South Pacific 2017 the experiences and achievements of the united states land sea and air forces on 6 june 1944 and the weeks following have been deservedly well chronicled omaha beach saw the

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The Americans on D-Day and in Normandy 2019-01-21 the crimean war was a conflict between the russian empire and an alliance of the french empire british empire ottoman empire and the kingdom of sardinia the war was part of a long running contest between the major european powers for influence over territories of the declining ottoman empire most of the conflict took place on the crimean peninsula but there were smaller campaigns in western anatolia the caucasus the baltic sea the pacific ocean and the white sea the crimean war is known for the logistical and tactical errors during the land campaign on both sides the naval side saw a successful allied campaign which eliminated most of the ships of the russian navy in the black sea nonetheless it is sometimes considered to be one of the first modern wars as it introduced technical changes which affected the future course of warfare including the first tactical use of railways and the electric telegraph it is also famous for the work of florence nightingale and mary seacole who pioneered modern nursing practices while caring for wounded british soldiers the war also led to the establishment of the victoria cross in 1856 backdated to 1854 the british army s first universal award for valor the crimean war was one of the first wars to be documented extensively in photographs news correspondence reaching britain from the crimea was the first time the public were kept informed of the day to day realities of war this unique collection of images will prove to be an invaluable resource for historians students and all those interested in what was one of the most significant periods in british military history each picture will tell its own story and will be fully captioned with

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Rising Sun at War 2017 with comprehensive captions and text this superb book is the latest in the best selling images of war series and the second instalment of the author s pictorial history of the german panzers in the

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The Fall of Berlin 2019-10 photographic history of the conflict between china and japan during the second world war graphic images showing the experience of the soldiers on both sides shows the plight of the civilians caught up in the fighting a compelling introduction to an often neglected aspect of the world wide conflict a record of the chinese and japanese

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Panzer III at War 1939-1945 2013-07-02 the photographs in this book are taken from five unpublished albums focussing on the German invasion of Russia in 1941 Operation Barbarossa page 4

China and Japan at War, 1937-1945 2016 sixty years ago the world had been at war for nearly six years the cost in life and material terms was appalling millions of men and women had died families and nations destroyed and all sides were suffering grievously in human and financial terms the Allies were closing in on Hitler's Germany from the east west and south to historians today the outcome was inevitable but for those living and fighting at the time nothing could be taken for granted this book tells in true images of war style the story of those final months of the Second World War unique photography and informed captions capture the Allied campaigns in NW Europe and Italy culminating in the celebration of victory both at home and in theater

The French Army in the Great War 2019 beginning his wartime career on the Western Front in August 1916 Manfred von Richthofen or the Red Baron as he became known had shot down an impressive total of fifteen aircraft by January 1917 as well as being appointed commander of his own unit by the time of his death in 1918 he had destroyed a staggering total of eighty Allied aircraft from the perspective of the Allies he was a deadly menace for the Germans he was a fighter pilot hero of legendary significance this fascinating collection of rare images offers a fresh perspective on the Baron himself as well as a number of his adversaries from the Allied side of the line

Great Push 2013-01-19 in 1945 amidst the ruins of a bomb-damaged German home a tattered book *Deutschland erwache* was recovered as a souvenir by a British soldier this rare and invaluable primary resource now forms the basis of the rise of Hitler illustrated which is a photographic record of Hitler's rise to power from when he was born in 1889 as he took over the hearts and minds of the German people and his eventual arrival at the top the

original book is typical of the propaganda of the time with the obvious non critical acceptance of everything that adolf hitler was and what he stood for it attempts to present him as a peace loving man who wanted nothing other than quiet in his beloved alps who dearly loved children and was kind to all but as we all know the truth was completely different he was a man who despite his unbounded evilness was able to assert limitless power over a nation before creating maximum misery for millions when found the original book was divest of its cover and all the worse for wear but trevor salisbury has gone to every effort to salvage some of the images the result a fresh and new perspective that sheds light on hitler s control of germany it is a welcome addition to pen sword s highly acclaimed images of war series

Blitzkrieg Russia 2011 during the second world war five brutal battles were fought in and around warsaw each proved to be dramatic decisive and bloody and in this volume of the images of war series anthony tucker jones records them all in graphic detail the first occurred in 1939 when the polish army was defeated by the german invaders and five years of occupation followed the second was sparked by the jewish ghetto uprising in 1943 which was ruthlessly suppressed by 1 200 ss troops and led to the deaths of 13 000 people in the third the red army s advance was beaten back at the gates of the city in the summer of 1944 and the fourth was fought at the same time when the nazis crushed the rising of the polish home army and sought to destroy the city in an act of revenge the failure of the rising consigned the country to decades of communist rule the photographs and the detailed narrative give the reader a powerful impression of the experience of the people of warsaw during this tragic period in their history and document the widespread devastation the fighting left in its wake

Fallschirmjäger. Volume 1 2019 by spring 1945 while the war in europe was coming to a close in the pacific there was no end to hostilities in sight the japanese albeit retreating defended every outpost and island with fanatical determination and all the indications were that japan would have to be invaded at a terrible cost the two atomic bombs at hiroshima and nagasaki changed this and the world forever victory in the pacific tells the story of the last six months of the war against japan in the pacific the philippines burma and china in words and pictures culminating in the atom bomb raids and the occupation of japan

Victory in Europe 2005-07-01 by christmas 1914 britain's regular army had virtually ceased to exist four months of hard fighting had drained its manpower and the territorial army were called on to plug the gaps the part timers leapt at the chance to serve their country overseas and were soon on their way to the trenches and the harsh realities of war on the western front flanders 1915 tells the story through rare and previously unpublished photographs and extended captions of one of those eager territorial battalions posted to flanders during the first twelve months of ww1 it forms a unique and intimate record of the early years of war many images captured on film by the private cameras of the battalion's junior officers before official censorship was established above all it is a rare and outstanding portrait of the great adventure of war in the days before loos the somme and passchendaele and the resulting lengthy casualty lists

The Red Baron 2016-11-19 rare photographs from wartime archives cover

[The Rise of Hitler](#) 2015-03-31 the latest in the ever popular images of war series describes the bitter fighting and extreme conditions of the eastern front superb and rare images of axis and russian armour and other weapons equipment in action compiled by our foremost images of war author and photographic collector

The Battle For Warsaw, 1939-1945 2020-02-10 motorbikes were widely used by all sides in ww2 due to their agility adaptability and speed a precious few survive today as rare collectors items the author who is the photo archivist at the iwm has unearthed images of all the major marques famous british names triumph norton matchless bsa velocette james and rudge feature along with the bigger american machines from indian and harley davidson german bikes have their own chapter with classics such as nsu zundapp and bmw and include hybrid traed motorcycles known as kettengrad with some shots actually taken by general erwin rommel himself also covered are rare experimental prototypes photographed during trials and later in combat the funnies of the wartime biking world such as the airborne forces excelsior welbike british and the cushman parascooter us together this is a unique collection of two wheeled images

Victory in the Pacific 2005-10-01 the third and final volume of the author's americans in north west europe series covers the historic period december 1944 to may 1945 launched in december 1944 the nazis ardennes

offensive known as the battle of the bulge was one of the most dangerous periods of the war during six weeks of desperate fighting more us soldiers were killed wounded or reported missing than in any battle in american history the rhine was crossed in march 1945 first by the seizure of the railway bridge at remagen and then by the combined american british and canadian ground and airborne operation codenamed varsity in the closing stages of the war the western allies pushed remorselessly in the heart of germany shocking evidence of nazi atrocities was uncovered berlin fell to the russians in early may and the allies met up on the river elbe in the chaos that followed germany was divided into four zones of occupation the immediate tasks were ensuring the survival of the civilian population establishing law and order and the capture of war criminals in true images of war style this book graphically describes the magnificent role played by us forces under general eisenhower s overall command

Schnellbootwaffe 2021 photographic history of one of the great battles of the first world war over 150 previously unpublished wartime photographs showing each stage of the fighting graphic insight into the experience of the soldiers in the front line unforgettable images of the verdun forts and battlefield published to mark the centenary of the battle

Flanders 1915 2005 the war in air over north africa and the mediterranean during the second world war has long been overshadowed by the battle on the ground between 1940 and 1943 italy s regia aeronautica and then germany s luftwaffe waged a concerted aerial campaign against the british yet apart from the bitter fight for malta this aspect of the conflict is rarely given the attention it deserves anthony tucker jones in this vivid photographic history provides a fascinating introduction to it the wartime photographs and the concise text cover the entire course of the struggle in the air the regia aeronautica at first met weak british opposition when mussolini launched his ill advised offensive against british controlled egypt but the obsolete italian aircraft proved to be no match for the allied fighters once the strength of the royal air force built up then when hitler stepped in to help his hapless ally the aerial struggle intensified and the air forces of both sides were locked in deadly combat in the skies over egypt libya the mediterranean and tunisia the wide range of italian british

german and american aircraft involved the air and ground crews from all sides and the conditions in which they operated and fought are all shown in this varied selection of photographs

Fighting in Ukraine 2016 the miracle of dunkirk saved vast numbers of british and french forces but could not prevent the surrender of france leaving britain to fight on virtually alone the splendid photographs in this book tell the story of this extraordinary period of history they include previously unseen images of rommel s ghost division

The Crushing of Army Group North 1944-1945 2017 general douglas a macarthur commander of the southwest pacific area saw the liberation of the philippines archipelago as the launching board for the invasion of the japanese home islands by late 1944 with the capture of new guinea and surrounding islands the us sixth and eighth armies were poised for the challenge american forces landed on leYTE on 20 october 1944 with the leYTE gulf naval battle quickly following by 25 december the island was cleared opening the way for lieutenant general walter krueger s sixth army to invade luzon on 9 january 1945 bitter japanese resistance required eichelberger s eighth army as reinforcements manila finally fell on 4 march in the meantime bataan was captured on 16 february and corregidor on 2 march after a us airborne assault fighting continued and macarthur finally declared the liberation of the archipelago on 5 july just a month before the atom bombs fell on hirosHima and nagasaki this superbly illustrated work in the pacific war images of war series leaves the reader in no doubt as to the intensity of the land sea and air operations required by the allies to defeat the japanese

Motorcycles at War 2006 this new volume in the long running images of war series features the actions of the british army on the somme not only is the book comprised of rare photographs illustrating the actions of the british army fighting on the somme but it is accompanied by a powerful text written by official war correspondent philip gibbs who was an eyewitness to the events photographs from the battlefield illustrate the terrible conditions which the british forces on the battlefield endured in the notorious engagement which has become synonymous with vainglorious sacrifice this book incorporates a wide range of images encompassing the actions of the british infantry and their supporting artillery also featured are images which depict the almost

incomprehensible reality of landscape which characterized the war in the trenches portraits of the british troops are contrasted with german prisoners of war and the endless battle to get the supply columns through to the front

The Americans from the Ardennes to VE Day 2020-01-15 this new volume in the long running images of war series features the actions of the german army on the somme the book is comprised of rare photographs illustrating the german army fighting a dogged defensive war against superior odds on the somme it is accompanied by a powerful text written by official war correspondent philip gibbs who was an eyewitness to the events photographs from the battlefield illustrate the terrible conditions which the beleaguered german forces on the battlefield endured in the notorious engagement which has become synonymous with vainglorious sacrifice this book incorporates a wide range of images that encompass the actions of the german infantry and their supporting artillery also featured are images which depict the almost incomprehensible condition of the battlefield and the trenches after more than one million shells had been poured into the german lines portraits of the german troops are contrasted with surviving images of captured british prisoners of war and the endless battle to get the supply columns through to the front

French Army at Verdun 2016 formed in 1942 8th ss cavalry division florian geyer was soon deployed to the eastern front where hitler s ambition to conquer russia was stalling badly in common with other ss units the division was responsible for razing towns and villages poisoning wells and genocide often against unarmed civilians this scorched earth policy was aimed at hindering the red army s advance after moving south the division took part in the retreat from the dneiper river before operating in hungary and croatia the end came when trapped in budapest by soviet and romanian forces the division was destroyed in december 1944 by the end of the siege only 800 of the 30 000 men in the ss corps reached german lines using many startling contemporary images this latest book in the author s images of war series vividly illustrates the horror of warfare on the eastern front

The Desert Air War 1940-1943 2018 the famous image of hitler in paris has become one of the most iconic

images of the second world war however hitler only spent a few hours in paris before heading to flanders to re visit the sites of the battlefields where he had served during the great war he was on a propaganda mission to publicize his own war service and a full photographic record of hitler s visits to france and flanders was produced by heinrich hoffman hitler s personal photographer those photographs from 1940 have now been collected together for the first time and are reproduced here along with all of the most important surviving images of hitler in the great war featuring rare and previously unpublished images of hitler in france and flanders from 1914 to 1940 this important photographic study documents a vital but often overlooked chapter in the story of adolf hitler

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