

Rifles An Illustrated History Of Their Impact

Bite the bullet and read this book! From primitive polearms to futuristic machine guns, small arms pack big power. An American symbol of freedom, it is nearly impossible to resist the allure of these feats of mechanical genius. Almost as amazing as their power is their variety: slings and maces, pistols from wheel locks to flintlocks to today's semiautomatics, Colt revolvers, Remington and Winchester rifles, weapons of espionage, and many more. The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Small Arms details more than 1,000 weapons, complete with full-color photographs. Featuring arms from around the world and across history, this stunning guide highlights the intricacies that make each variety unique, tying in historical anecdotes as well as the history of certain brands. Whether reading about the inspiration for Samuel L. Colt's revolvers, or the lozenge-case gun used by Italian spies during World War II, arms enthusiasts will delight in the details. Even better are the photographs, many of which are published here for the first time. A companion to the best-selling Illustrated Encyclopedia of Weaponry, The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Small Arms is an excellent resource for gun collectors and admirers alike.

An illustrated survey of the guns that influenced the pioneering era of the old west.

Explores the historical development of rifles through the centuries and an A-Z visual directory with key

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specifications for each weapon.

"From the breech-loading rifles of the British Army and the American Winchesters of the U.S. Army to the German Mauser and the French Lebel, this exhaustive volume traces the evolution of rifles from the perspectives of the men who designed them and the military personnel who used them. In addition to failures like the Jennings Volcanic rifle and the British SA80, readers will encounter such successes as the AK-47, the most recognized and most common assault rifle of the 20th century."--Jacket.

Discover the history and development of weaponry through the ages with The Illustrated History of Weapons series. These comprehensive visual reference books explore the craftsmanship and progression of weaponry and cover the many important conflicts and historical events that have shaped the world we live in. These titles feature stunning photography, fascinating biographical information and detailed insight into the technology and tactics of the battlefield, and cover the evolution of early knives and swords through to the pistols and rifles of modern times.

Small arms have developed hugely since the introduction of the machine gun in the 1870s. Magazine-fed rifles, submachine guns, automatic pistols and, later, assault rifles and personal defence weapons have changed the face of infantry warfare, offering a range of weaponry designed for both the specialist and novice. The World's Greatest Small Arms features 52 weapons from the late 19th century to the present day. The book includes the best-known weapons from throughout the modern era,

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from the Gatling gun, SMLE rifle and Luger pistol, to the Uzi, FN MAG and the M110 sniper rifle. Great iconic weapons, such as the Colt M1911 pistol, Bren Gun, MP5 submachine gun, and Steyr AUG rifle are featured, as well as timeless classics still in use today: the M2 Browning 50 cal, AK-47 and M16 rifle. Each weapon is examined over four pages and is illustrated with a colour profile artwork and photographs, along with a description of the weapon's development and history, key features and a full specifications box. Including more than 200 artworks and photographs, *The World's Greatest Small Arms* is a colourful guide for the military historian.

Khyber Rifles is the oldest corps among the fourteen corps which comprises the Frontier Corps Khyber Pakhtunkhwa or Militia as it is lovingly known among the tribes and people of Pakistan. Although the very idea of tribal army is as old as the idea of civilisation, however, nowhere else in the world; the Militia is as conceptualised, evolved and institutionalised as in Pakistan. Frontier Corps is the last of such Militia Corps in the world which is still carrying the glamour, romance and the very core of Militia; its tribal components with all their traditions. Frontier Corps history and traditions originates with the raising of Khyber Rifles in 1878 and as such, Khyber Rifles are held in high esteem. Khyber Rifles real fame is embedded in the history of the very pass they guard; The Khyber Pass. History of Indus Valley and for that matter, the history of sub-continent is rooted in this thirty odd miles long pass. Khyber Pass truly is the geographical pivot of Pakistan's history. As such, the present book is not only an important

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document as a regimental history of the Khyber Rifles but also as the continuity of the millenniums old sacred task of preserving the Historia, for the future generations This encyclopedia is both a reference work and visual display, explaining the development of arms and showing the individual specifications of modern weapons. Grouped according to country of origin, each gun's features are listed, as are the military, political and technological context in which each gun was developed. A study of more than three hundred different guns, including information on their date, origin, and caliber, in an informative history that looks at how guns were and are made and profiles the world's leading gun manufacturers.

Showcasing more than 1,700 firearms in full color! From the earliest hand cannons dating back to 1350, to the finest sporting rifles of the 21st Century, this 2nd edition of The Illustrated History of Firearms covers them all. Spectacular, full-color photos of more than 1,700 guns with detailed captions walk readers through the background and development of virtually every type of firearm ever created, and the people who influenced their use and designs. More than a reference book, The Illustrated History of Firearms brings context to the role firearms have played in shaping world events while also charting the development of today's guns for self-defense, competition, recreation and hunting.

Painstakingly researched by expert curators at the NRA National Firearms Museum in Fairfax, Virginia, this 320-page, hardbound work of art is as educational as it is beautiful. Whether you're an avid gun collector or

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shooter, a history buff, or simply want to better understand the seemingly countless types of firearms in today's world, this book is a must-have.

Written by a technical expert who has fired many of the guns featured, this book includes wide and varied assemblage of weapons from each of the world's major manufacturing countries. The Illustrated Directory series provide readers with a fully illustrated, comprehensive reference book packed with timelines, historical facts, and images designed to inform and excite. At 512 pages packed with information and photographs, this book is a necessary addition to any enthusiast's library. Complete with full specification table with each entry including type, origin, caliber, and size, The Illustrated Directory of Guns is the most ambitious and lavishly illustrated history of guns for the collector and enthusiast. It shows in clear, detailed photographs and text over 1500 guns with separate sections on Pistols, Revolvers, Rifles, Shotguns (military and sporting), Machine Guns, and Submachine guns. A few featured include: Remington Smith & Wesson Winchester Glock Vickers Mauser Browning Colt Beretta And more Organized A-Z by country and gunmaker's name, the book clearly shows the different types of gun which the world has used to hunt, wage war, break and defend its laws, hone its sharpshooting skills, and fire purely for the fun of it. The book also features an introduction on each section, which gives a brief history of the development of that particular kind of firearm.

The development of the pistol helped bring the age of the armored knight to an end, provided the elite with a status

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symbol of dangerous glamour, and inspired both artisans and industrialists to reach new heights of invention. *

Provides complete technical details of exemplary pistols from the first working models to the present * In-depth coverage of the three major pistol designs—single-shot, revolver, and automatic—and their production and issuance in the United States, Europe, and Asia

Addressing its technical evolution as well as its military and social impact, this comprehensive reference shows how historic leaders such as Dionysus of Syracuse, the Ottoman sultan Mohammad II, Oliver Cromwell, and Napoleon Bonaparte were successful in battle because of their innovative use of artillery. * Includes case studies of the wars of Louis XIV, the Napoleonic Wars, the American Civil War, and the Franco-Prussian War illustrating the impact of specific technical and strategic innovations in artillery *

Dozens of photographs and illustrations show various types of artillery, artillery mechanisms, and projectiles

A detailed reference guide to the weapons of World War I, with evocative color and black and white photographs.

A fully illustrated history of one of America's finest and most innovative company.

A Brief Illustrated History of Warfare charts the history of warfare all the way through from the early charioteers and spear throwers, through Roman legions, knights and siege machines, through to musketeers and the military arms used in the two World Wars, then all the way through to the use of smart weapons today. With stunning full-colour images and illustrations, this beautiful book is sure to fascinate the young reader.

For the first time in paperback, a photographic history of civilization, as seen through the world's most deadly and fascinating firearms. The Illustrated History of Guns is a

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comprehensive look at the tools of battle. To craft this book, more than five hundred photographs of genuine specimens were specially commissioned from the six-thousand-piece collection of the Berman Museum of World History. The weapons featured span a period of close to four thousand years, ranging from Ancient Greece to World War II, and from the Crusades in Europe to the US Civil War. It features a wide array of diverse treasures, including the traveling pistols of Confederate president Jefferson Davis, a royal Persian scimitar with 1,295 rose-cut diamonds and rubies, and a single 11-carat emerald set in gold, first owned by Shah Abbas I of Persia and given in tribute to Catherine the Great. The Illustrated History of Guns also offers information on weapons innovators, including Alexander Forsyth, Eliphalet Remington, Samuel Colt, Sergei Mosin, the Mauser brothers, Hiram Maxim, John Browning, Richard Gatling, John T. Thompson, John Garland, Feodor Tokarev, Oliver Winchester, and Mikhail Kalashnikov. With unparalleled historical perspective and background on persons significant to the development and advancements of weapons technology or military strategy, The Illustrated History of Guns belongs on the shelf of every history buff and firearms enthusiast.

From flintlocks to the latest specialised weapons of today. An encyclopedic look at firearms.

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The Illustrated History of Guns From First Firearms to Semiautomatic Weapons Skyhorse

A team of some of the world's most distinguished First World War historians chart the causes, course, and profound political and human consequences of a conflict that changed the world

Bayonets is a comprehensive and detailed history of the bayonet, charting the weapon's development through the centuries. 300 types of bayonet are detailed in over 500 vivid colour photos; varieties featured include Plug, Sword, Socket, Knife, Yataghan and many more. For the collector there are also comprehensive listings of further reading and relevant websites, as well as current pricing details.

This is a book about Nature for naughty kids. Nice

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kids learn about the life-cycle of the monarch butterfly and tadpoles turning into frogs. Naughty kids want to know about squashed hedgehogs and dead pukeko. Nice kids like to look at books with pretty pictures of puppy dogs and kittens. Naughty kids would rather see blood and guts and maggots. And rats. Lots of rats. Don't forget the rats. Age 9+ Addressing its technical evolution as well as its military and social impact, this comprehensive reference shows how historic leaders such as Dionysus of Syracuse, the Ottoman sultan Mohammad II, Oliver Cromwell, and Napoleon Bonaparte were successful in battle because of their innovative use of artillery. • Includes case studies of the wars of Louis XIV, the Napoleonic Wars, the American Civil War, and the Franco-Prussian War illustrating the impact of specific technical and strategic innovations in artillery • Dozens of photographs and illustrations show various types of artillery, artillery mechanisms, and projectiles

Firearms: An Illustrated History tells the story of the gun using photos of hundreds of weapons. It traces every milestone from the first muskets to modern automatic weapons. Pistols, revolvers, rifles, shotguns, machine-guns and artillery are profiled with beautifully photographed weapons and stunning close-up details of key firearms - all combining to make this the definitive guide to firearms in military history, sport, hunting, and law enforcement. The ebook features over 300 firearms spanning centuries of development, with the world's most iconic gun brands such as Colt, Smith and Wesson,

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and Kalashnikov covered with amazing photographic features. You can appreciate the incredible engineering behind guns through stunning visuals with close-up details of key weapons, from intricately inlaid shotguns to modern sniper rifles. If you are interested in military history and the history of weapons, *Firearms: An Illustrated History* is ideal for you.

An Unparalleled Guide To The World's Most IMPORTANT -- Rifles And Machine Guns, From The Medieval Period To The Present Day. This encyclopedia is an authoritative reference work with two stunning directories. It explains the development of rifles and machine guns through the centuries, and shows the capabilities and individual specifications of modern weapons. Also featured is a chronological account of arms development. A comprehensive list of manufacturers, a glossary and an index complete this easy-to-use encyclopedia.

A sweeping illustrated history of war and the implements used to perpetrate it takes readers on a fascinating tour of humanity's most persistent and destructive character trait and the technology that has been developed to promote warfare. 35,000 first printing.

The machine gun—often called the killing machine—revolutionized modern ground combat, brought an end to the traditional infantry and cavalry charge, and changed the battlefields of war forever.

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