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The New York Times Complete World War II: The Coverage Of The Entire Conflict



Synopsis

Experience the history, politics, and tragedy of World War II through the original, often firsthand daily reportage of The New York Times, our country's newspaper of record. The Times' complete coverage of World War II is now available in a paperback edition of this unique book. Hundreds of the most riveting articles from the archives of the Times including firsthand accounts of major events and little-known anecdotes have been selected for inclusion in The New York Times: World War II. The book covers the biggest battles of the war, from the Battle of the Bulge to the Battle of Iwo Jima, as well as moving stories from the home front and profiles of noted leaders and heroes such as Winston Churchill and George Patton. A respected World War II historian and writer, editor Richard Overy guides readers through the articles, putting the events into historical context. Beautifully designed and illustrated with hundreds of maps and historical photographs, it's the perfect gift for any war, politics, or history buff.

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Customer Reviews

This was a Christmas present and a much appreciated one. (It should be a great present for anyone interested in history and World War II.) It is a large (and heavy) volume reprinting many of the articles from The New York Times covering World War II. The book itself contains a selection of articles, some of which are abridged. That selection, which appears to have been a thoughtful one, was made by Richard Overy, and he also contributes about two dozen short, useful chapter introductions. There also is an accompanying CD-ROM that contains all of the coverage,

unabridged. The scope of the book is broad. It covers not just military events, but political and economic ones as well; not just the major fronts in Europe and the Pacific, but also less familiar ones in South America, the Middle East, and India; not just the international scene, but also the domestic one. And it is not cabined by the conventional dates for the beginning and end of World War II -- Sept. 1, 1939 through Aug. 14, 1945. The first article, dated June 25, 1919, reports on the Treaty of Versailles, which formally concluded World War I and laid foundation stones for World War II. The last article, dated Sept. 24, 1949, relays the news that the Soviet Union had detonated an atomic bomb. It will be a rare person who reads THE NEW YORK TIMES COMPLETE WORLD WAR II from cover to cover, but it is ideal for browsing. To give potential purchasers an idea of the range of the book, here are some of the more unusual items that caught my eye: * Aug. 16, 1932 -- "Hitler Dictatorship in Reich Held Unlikely" (one of The NYT's rare mistakes). * Nov.

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