

Wellingtons Peninsular Victories Busaco Salamanca Vitoria Nivelle British Battles Series

In this compelling book, Richard Holmes tells the exhilarating story of the Duke of Wellington, Britain's greatest ever soldier.

Wellington's Peninsular War provides a concise and comprehensive account that can be enjoyed by both professional and amateur historians and which includes details of the battlefields as they are today and how to find and explore them. The Peninsular War (1808 – 1841) was part of the twenty year struggle against Napoleon Bonaparte that involved campaigns in Europe, the Middle East, Russia, the West Indies, South America and South Africa and until 1914 was known as 'The Great War'. The author has presented a balanced picture of the whole campaign and gives due credit to the Spanish and Portuguese efforts without which victory would not have been possible. Arranged in sections, the author starts with a review of the whole war and the background to it and follows with a complete chronological account of the war year by year. Finally a chapter on each of the major battles includes maps and photographs of the battlefields, orders of battle and instructions on how to find the battlefield today and what to see there. The maps show the ground as it was at the time but also include modern features to identify where the fighting took place enabling the reader to stand where Wellington would have stood when surveying the battlefield.

First published in 1963, this book concentrates on four great military victories of the Peninsular War (1807-1814): the Battle of Busaco of September 27, 1810; the Battle of Salamanca of July 22, 1812; the Battle of Vitoria of June 21, 1913; and the Battle of Nivelle of November 10, 1913. Richly illustrates throughout with photos, maps and plans. “ You have sent me...the staff of a French Marshal, and I send you in return that of England. ” —HRH The Prince Regent to Viscount Wellington after Vitoria “ A lucid and absorbing account of the five years of arduous campaigning that brought the Allies to Toulouse in April, 1814...quotes freely from many fascinating eyewitness descriptions ” —The Soldier “ Concentrates attention on four of Wellington ’ s greatest triumphs—Busaco, Salamanca, Vitoria, and the Nivelle...which routed the finest soldiery in Europe and sent four of its most famous Marshals cringing back to Napoleon in disgrace ” —The Daily Telegraph “ Michael Glover ’ s book is a brilliant success, like the campaign which inspired it ” —The Times Literary Supplement

The Art of British Power in the Age of Revolution and Napoleon

Napoleon

Wellington's Peninsular Victoires

The Duke of Wellington, 1769-1852

A Political, Social, and Military History

The Sandler Collection

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The Peninsular War, fought in Spain and Portugal in the early years of the nineteenth century has long fascinated students of the Napoleonic Wars-particularly those who are keenly interested in the campaigns of the British Army under the leadership of the 'great captain of the age'-the Duke of Wellington. From the reverses of the heroic retreat and evacuation at Corunna to the scenes of great sieges and bloody assaults such as Cuidad Rodrigo, Badajos and San Sebastian, the 'old peninsular army' clad in faded scarlet and rifle green fought and marched under the most arduous conditions under scorching sun and through freezing winters. Gradually, through brilliant generalship and superlative soldiering, Napoleon's French Army was pushed back over the Pyrenees into its homeland-where the final battles for the fall of an empire would be fought. This book takes the reader through the principal engagements of the Peninsular War making it ideal for both the casual reader and the student of the times.

With its impressive breadth of coverage – both geographically and chronologically – the International Encyclopedia of Military History is the most up-to-date and inclusive A-Z resource on military history. From uniforms and military insignia worn by combatants to the brilliant military leaders and tacticians who commanded them, the campaigns and wars to the weapons and equipment used in them, this international and multi-cultural two-volume set is an accessible resource combining the latest scholarship in the field with a world perspective on military history.

A Register of Memorials to Soldiers Who Fought in the Peninsular War and at Waterloo

Battles & Sieges of the Peninsular War

A Biographical Companion

Wellington's Men Remembered Volume 2

Battles and Battlefields

An Atlas of the Peninsular War 1808-1814

This collection of sparkling and entertaining essays on Wellington's generalship and military genius provides an excellent survey of the Duke's art of war and the secrets of his success. A valuable addition to literature on Wellington and sure to appeal to all who are interested in the Napoleonic Wars. photos, maps, and drawings.

The history of international relations and warfare of early modern Europe has gained popularity in recent years. This bibliography provides a valuable listing of books, dissertations, and journal articles in the English language for scholars and general readers interested in diplomatic relations and warfare from the Hundred Years' War to the Napoleonic Wars.

A selected, briefly annotated bibliography of primary and secondary, published and unpublished material relating to the English hero of Waterloo, Arthur Wesley (1769-1852). The sections cover manuscript and archival sources, speeches and public writings, general biography, his military career, his political life, his private life, iconography, his death and funeral, and theses and dissertations.

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European War and Diplomacy, 1337-1815

Wellington in the Peninsula, 1808-1814

Wellington's Light Division in the Peninsular War

Wellington's Peninsula Victories

The Encyclopedia of the French Revolutionary and Napoleonic Wars

Publisher description

Wellington's Peninsular VictoriesBusaco, Salamanca, Vitoria, NivellePickle Partners Publishing

The author of Wellington at Waterloo delivers an in-depth history of the military commander's tactics and strategy in the Peninsular War. After gaining strategic and tactical experience in Colonial India, Arthur Wellesley went to battle against French forces in the Peninsular War. He ascended to the peerage of the United Kingdom as the 1st Duke of Wellington. In this volume, historian Jac Weller delivers a complete account of Wellington's career on the Iberian Peninsula, covering all the battles in which he took part. Talavera, The battles of Busaco, Salamanca, and the Battle of Waterlo conflicts Weller brings to life in the lively chronicle, combining meticulous research with extensive visits to the historic battlefields. Supplementing his accessible narrative with photographs, Weller demonstrates how this great commander finally achieved victory after six years of campaigning in the Peninsular War. The Journal of Military History

Busaco, Salamanca, Vitoria, Nivelle

Wellington's Peninsular War

Wellington: The Iron Duke (Text Only)

Wellington's Peninsular Victories

This study examines the campaign to defend southwest France waged by Marshal Nicholas Soult against the Anglo-Allied Army of Arthur Wellesley from 1 July 1813 until 14 April 1814 to garner insights that are applicable to today's officer. In the first stages of the campaign Marshal Soult conducts an operational offensive across the Pyrenees Mountains but is defeated at the Battle of Sorcauren. After this battle, Soult retreats back into France and attempts to defend the French frontier by occupying three successive river lines. Wellesley attacks and defeats Soult's army at each of these lines forcing the French to ultimately retire on Toulouse where the campaign ends. A study of this campaign illustrates that there are a number of intangible factors that effect the success of a campaign. These factors include the impact of the commander's vision on the conduct of the campaign, as demonstrated by his active involvement in the operations, the decisions he makes during the campaign, as well as his ability to translate strategic guidance into a sound operational plan. Other intangible factors identified include the effects of soldiers' morale on operations and the commander's employment of forces in the manner in which they are trained.

Field-Marshal Gomm's letters and journals provide a first-rate account of the numerous actions, battles and events that he was involved in during the Napoleonic wars. A seasoned officer from a military family, he was an acute observer of all that went on around him, and the notes and letters he wrote, edited by his son, provide a capital trove of information. This collection of his diary entries and letters focuses on the Napoleonic Wars, although he would rise to the highest rank in the British Army and C-in-C of India. Engaged in the early campaigns of the British Army against the French forces from 1799, he was one of the few officers that fought in the Peninsular War and the Waterloo campaign that actually had some staff training, having passed through Staff College. Many of his contemporaries were somewhat amateur in their outlook to soldiering, but Gomm was a thoughtful and assiduously thorough officer. After the campaign in Portugal and Spain, first under Wellington and then under Sir John Moore, he managed to survive the Walcheren expedition and was then posted back to Spain, where he would serve out the Peninsular war. Present at the battles of Busaco, Fuentes d’Oñoro, Salamanca, Vittoria, the Pyrenees, the Nive, the Nivelle and St Pierre, as well as the sieges of Cuidad Rodrigo and Badajoz, he was a lieutenant-colonel by the time he left for England. This was a fairly rapid ascent for the time, a signal confirmation of his abilities as a staff and regimental officer, and some influence at home, no doubt. Appointed to the post of Quartermaster General of Picton's fifth division, he was to see the furious combat of Quatre Bras and the “hard pounding” of Waterloo two days later. His position as an unattached staff officer gave him a view of the fields of battle from a position on horseback, and with freedom of movement around the field that few could match. His contemporaneous notes and letters of Waterloo are annotated with his more considered thoughts and views, particularly regarding the “crisis” of Waterloo, the repulse of the last columns of the Garde Impèriale. Author - Field-Marshal Sir William Maynard Gomm, G.C.B (1784-1875) Editor - Francis Culling Carr-Gomm (1834-1919) Introduction - Francis Culling Carr-Gomm (1834-1919)

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International Encyclopedia of Military History

Wellington's Operations in the Peninsula 1808-1814

Corunna, Busaco, Albuera, Ciudad Rodrigo, Badajos, Salamanca, San Sebastian & Others

On Wellington

By M. Glover

The Military Forces of France

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Despite Wellington's success against Marmont's army at Salamanca in July, the year of 1812 ended in bitter disappointment for the British. However, a year later Wellington's series of brilliant manoeuvres threw the French onto the defensive on all fronts, culminating in the final victory at Vittoria: 90,000 men and 90 guns attacking in four mutually supporting columns. The French centre gave way and both flanks were turned, their army finally breaking in flight towards Pamplona. Any French hopes of maintaining their position in the Peninsular were crushed forever. On 7 October the British set foot on the 'sacred soil' of Napoleon's France.

Wellington's Peninsular Victories

Wellington's Operations in the Peninsula 1808-1814 Vol 2

The Duke and His Art of War

An Annotated Bibliography of the British Army, 1660-1914

Hart's Annual Army List, Militia List, and Imperial Yeomanry List

Busaco, Salamanca, Vitoria, Nivelle

The memoir of another of the hardy and eloquent Irish soldiers that fought in the British army during the Peninsular Wars. Hamilton's memoirs were not intended for a large publication and do not contain the details of camp and campaign life that you might find in such works by Costello, Tomkinson or Kincaid. They are, however, a collection of first rate eye-witness accounts of the battles that Hamilton and his comrades of the 43rd regiment of Foot took part in, or was in a position to offer a close second-hand account of. The list of battles covered encompasses almost all of the major engagements that the British army took part in the Peninsular and 1815 campaign; Rolicca, Vimiero, Coruña, Talavera, Busaco, Albuera, Fuentes d’Oñoro, the sieges of Cuidad Rodrigo and Badajoz, Salamanca, Vittoria and finally Waterloo. A pithy eye-witness account. Author – Anthony Hamilton – (1779 - 1844)

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This is the first comprehensive modern atlas of the Peninsular War, the series of campaigns in Spain and Portugal between Napoleonic France and British forces commanded by the Duke of Wellington. Here a distinguished military historian examines and explains the sequence of battles and the course of the war through expertly drawn cartography in color. A general introduction, together with a historical summary setting the campaigns in context, is followed by 53 detailed maps and plans, each with a complementary text providing a succinct description of the action depicted. The great battles of Vimeiro, Talavera, Busaco, Albuera, Salamanca, Vitoria, and the Pyrenees are all graphically described, together with the main sieges and many minor combats. This is an indispensable companion to both serious students and military enthusiasts interested in the Napoleonic wars.

Army

Hamilton's Campaigns with Moore and Wellington during the Peninsular War

WELLINGTONS OPERATIONS IN THE

The Formation, Campaigns & Battles of Wellington’s Famous Fighting Force, 1810

Hispanic American Report

Wellington Sweeps the French from Spain

“A detailed and riveting account of the Light Division and its three regiments, 43rd and 52nd Light Infantry and the 95th Rifles . . . An important book.” –Firetrench
In February 1810, Wellington formed what became the most famous unit in the Peninsular War: the Light Division. Formed around the 43rd and 52nd Light Infantry and the 95th Rifles, the exploits of these three regiments is legendary. Over the next 50 months, the division would fight and win glory in almost every battle and siege of the Peninsular War. How the division achieved its fame began on the border of Spain and Portugal where it served as a screen between Wellington’s Army and the French. When it came time pull back from the border, the division endured a harrowing retreat with a relentless enemy at their heels. It was during this eventful year it developed an esprit-de-corps and a belief in its leaders and itself that was unrivaled in Wellington’s Army. Wellington’s Light Division in the Peninsular War uses over 100 primary sources—many never published before—to recount the numerous skirmishes, combats, and battles, as well as the hardships of a year of duty on the front lines. Others are from long-forgotten books published over 150 years ago. It is through the words of the officers and men who served with it that this major, and long-anticipated study of the first critical year of the Light Division is told. “Given the limited scope of the book, covering only one year of the Peninsular campaign, the depth of the study is truly remarkable . . . An excellent history of the Light Division ‘Warts and All.’”—The Napoleon Series

Engelsk militærhistorie, krigshistorie, regimentshistorie, engelske hær's historie - engelsk bibliografi, litteraturfortegnelse og registrant af og om litteratur om den engelske hær, British Army, i årene fra 1660 til 1914. Bogen er delt op i følgende hovedafsnit: Bibliographies, Guides and Indexes; General Works; Organizations, Management and Personnel; Military Theory, Tactics, Drill and Equipment; Military Campaigns and Foreign Stations of the Army. Søgeord: Engelske Hær; British Army; Engelsk Militærhistorie; Engelsk Krigshistorie; England, Historie, 1660–1914; Engelske Hærs Historie, 1660-1914.

When the leaders of the French Revolution executed Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette in 1793, they sent a chilling message to the hereditary ruling orders in Europe. Believing that monarchy anywhere presented a threat to democratic rule in France, the leaders of the revolution declared war on European aristocracies, including those of Great Britain. For more than twenty years thereafter, France and England waged a protracted war that ended in British victory. In Titan, William R. Nester offers a deeply informed and thoroughly fascinating narrative of how England accomplished this remarkable feat. Between 1789 and 1815, British leaders devised, funded, and led seven coalitions against the revolutionary and Napoleonic governments of France. In each enterprise, statesmen and generals searched for order amid a complex welter of bureaucratic, political, economic, psychological, technological, and international forces. Nester combines biographies of great men—the likes of William Pitt, Horatio Nelson, and Arthur Wellesley—with an explanation of the critical decisions they made in Britain's struggle for power and his own keen analysis of the forces that operated beyond their control. Their efforts would eventually crush France and Napoleon and establish a system of European power relations that prevented a world war for nearly a century. The interplay of individuals and events, the importance of conjunctures and contingency, the significance of Britain's island character and resources: all come into play in Nester's exploration of the art of British military diplomacy. The result is a comprehensive and insightful account of the endeavors of statesmen and generals to master the art of power in a complex battle for empire.

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Vittoria 1813

Letters And Journals Of Field Marshal Sir William Maynard Gomm, G.C.B. &c, &c, From 1799 to Waterloo, 1815.

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Campaign To Defend Southwest France, 1 July 1813 Through 14 April 1814