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GI Collector's Guide, Vol. 2: U.S. Army European Theater Of Operations





Synopsis

After the release of Volume 1, many readers and collectors pointed out several pieces they possessed which were missing from the book. Although including each and every item issued to the American soldier is a near impossible goal, the author started making a list of what should included in a second edition. All chapters from volume 1 have been revised and updated (among others: uniforms, signal and medical equipment) and new sections have been added, including personal equipment, Stateside training, and the life of POWs in German camps. More than 1,000 new artifacts with detailed captions are featured in this completely revised new work. Volume 2 of the G.I. Collectorâ ™s Guide provides a complete and unequaled source of American ground force documentation for collectors and enthusiasts alike.

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Customer Reviews

My biggest disappointment was the quality of the binding itself. The first copy I received was packed in a heavy duty non padded envelope and the entire spine was broken. I returned it to and they promptly sent a second copy which although packed in padding had corners broken. The information in the book was informative and makes a good companion to the First edition. Author Enjames does a good job and I will continue to buy his material and will continue to buy HC publications. Hopefully they will improve on the covers.

I originally encountered this book at a friend's house, the president of the non-profit reenactment

group U.S. 2nd Rangers Infantry Battalion of St. Louis, MO (2ndrangers.org). He uses this book for researching items he is interested in, finding out exactly which year items were produced, and for entertainment. He has touted it as one of the best research tools he's found for WWII reenacting. After I flipped through it and attended WWII Weekend 2009 at Jefferson Barracks in St. Louis I decided to start a business recreating the paper products from WWII for reenactors and the public. This book is absolutely invaluable in that respect. It has more items than any other book I've seen. It truly is an all in one resource. If you're a reenactor or WWII aficionado, or have a child or someone else in your life who is interested in WWII this book, and its sister book Volume I, are the perfect purchase. Though the price may be off putting for some you have to realize that the book is full of 100% full color high gloss pages it is beyond worth it.

I am rating this book high as I use it for reference and ID of artifacts. I bought volume one a while ago and this volume is a nice follow up. I recommend this book to anyone who collects military artifacts from World War II and to those who have an interest in the European Theater during WWII.

You can't beat this for a photo inventory of all things G.I. (including many home front items). It's a perfect addition to Vol.1. You are getting medical, signal corp, female corp, cameras, dingies, MP Uniforms, Prisoner of war uniforms. Also included are smoking items from cigarettes, pipes, tobacco to lighters.

This volume is a must buy for every WWII field gear collector, historic military vehicle collector, and WWII Reenactor. Its very informative and concentrates on the European Theater of Operations. The poitures are wonderful and descriptions are great! Volume I is good too...

It is a complete book covering everything. I have used it numerous times at gun shows to verify originality. Easy read lots of pictures.

Great book

More of an addendum to the first book by the author, it contains everything the author forgot to put in the first along with some new stuff found. Still a great work for the scholor and collector. Well written and well illustrated. If you have the first volume than this one is a must have companion. Excellent addition to any library.

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