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[A History of Modern Oman](#) - Jeremy Jones 2015-08-31

The ideal introduction to the history of modern Oman from the eighteenth century to the present, this book combines the most recent scholarship on Omani history with insights drawn from a close analysis of the politics and international relations of contemporary Oman. Jeremy Jones and Nicholas Ridout offer a distinctive new approach to Omani history, building on postcolonial thought and integrating the study of politics and culture. The book addresses key topics including Oman's historical cosmopolitanism, the distinctive role of Omani Islam in the country's social and political life, Oman's role in the global economy of the nineteenth century, insurrection and revolution in the twentieth century, the role of Sultan Qaboos in the era of oil and Oman's unique regional and diplomatic perspective on contemporary issues.

[Oman's Foreign Policy: Foundation and Practice](#) - Majid Al-Khalili 2009-05-19

This is the first book in more than a decade to look systematically at the foundations and practices of Oman's foreign policy and its impact on the production and distribution of oil.

[SAS: Secret War](#) - Tony Jeapes 2016-05-30

In 1970 the SAS was called in to support the Sultan of Oman's armed forces in their bitter struggle against a Communist-backed insurrection. The task in hand was not to obliterate the enemy, for these were the Sultan's subjects, but to persuade the rebels to join the Omani government's side, as well as encouraging the independently-minded peoples of the Jebel Dhofar to abandon their support for the insurgents. If necessary, these objectives were to be achieved by demonstrating that the insurgents could never win the armed struggle. This is the gripping story of the part played in the conflict by the men and squadrons of the 22nd Special Air Service Regiment, the first full SAS squadron in the region. Written by the man who commanded that unit and who successfully raised the first bands of Dhofari irregulars to fight for the Sultan, SAS: Secret War provides a unique and personal insight into what was to become one of the most successful counter-insurgency campaigns of the twentieth century.

[Oman's Insurgencies](#) - J. E. Peterson 2013-01-02

Oman today is a rapidly modernizing and peaceful country on the fringes of a region in turmoil. It does, however, have a long history of internal strife. In the twentieth century, this strife took the form of two internal conflicts. The Northern Oman or al-Jabal al-Akhdar War of the 1950s was a struggle between the forces of the old tribally based Imamate and the newer Sultanate in the northern part of the country. In the Dhufar War of the 1960s-70s an anti-Sultanate - and later Marxist - front sought secession in the south. J. E. Peterson takes a detailed look at these two wars in the context of insurgency and counter-insurgency warfare. He surveys Oman's transition from a strictly traditional regime controlling only parts of the country to a modern, inclusive state, particularly in terms of security concerns. Peterson analyses the development of the Sultanate's successful responses to security challenges, especially in the creation and evolution of modern armed forces. 'John Peterson provides the nearest we will perhaps ever see of an official history.' David Benest, The British Army Review 'Peterson does an excellent job of developing the thesis that victory in these counter-insurgencies resulted from the two factors of establishing political legitimacy by meeting the local demands of the population and military efforts, which succeeded largely through British support.' Calvin H. Allen Jr., Middle East Journal **Special Warfare** - 2011

[Storm Front](#) - Rowland White 2011

In early 1970, the Commanding Officer of 22 SAS flew into the strategically critical Sultanate of Oman on a covert intelligence mission. A Communist rebellion in the South threatened not only the stability of the Arabian Peninsula but more importantly the vital oil routes through the Persian Gulf.

[The Politics and Security of the Gulf](#) - Jeffrey R. Macris 2010-01-21

Since the 19th century the Gulf region has been an area of intense interest, having been influenced first by the British and more recently by the Americans. This book charts the changing security and political priorities of these two powers and how they have shaped the region. Adopting a narrative approach, the author provides background history on British involvement from the 19th century and a detailed analysis of the years after the Second World War, when oil supply became more critical. He covers the growth of US influence and the British withdrawal, and follows more recent changes as the US built up its military presence following Desert Storm and the invasion of Iraq. Looking at the three enduring missions fulfilled by the British - maintaining interstate order, protecting the free flow of commerce, which later included petroleum; and keeping out other Great Powers - the book demonstrates how these had by 1991 been assumed almost entirely by the American leaders. A comprehensive and thorough look at the history of the Gulf and the contemporary issues affecting the region, this will be essential reading for students of Middle East history, military history and diplomatic history. Visit the author's website at [www.thepoliticsandsecurityofthegulf.com](http://www.thepoliticsandsecurityofthegulf.com)

[Marine K SBS](#) - Jay Garnet 2016-02-25

Barents Sea, 1942. After a German attack, HMS Edinburgh sinks into the icy depths with over five tons of Russian gold aboard, leaving boy seaman Mike Cox as one of the survivors. Forty years later, after a successful career in the Special Boat Squadron and then as a top commercial diver, Cox is obsessed with the dream of raising the treasure from its watery grave. His own plans thwarted, he is blackmailed by a greedy American arms dealer into infiltrating an intergovernmental operation to salvage the gold. Caught in a deadly trap, his only hope may be the men of his old unit: the legendary SBS. This is classic military fiction at its best.

[Transforming US Intelligence for Irregular War](#) - Richard H. Shultz Jr. 2020-04-01

When Joint Special Operations Command deployed Task Force 714 to Iraq in 2003, it faced an adversary unlike any it had previously encountered: al-Qaeda in Iraq (AQI). AQI's organization into multiple, independent networks and its application of Information Age technologies allowed it to wage war across a vast landscape. To meet this unique threat, TF 714 developed the intelligence capacity to operate inside those networks, and in the words of commander Gen. Stanley McChrystal, USA (Ret.) "claw the guts out of AQI." In Transforming US Intelligence for Irregular War, Richard H. Shultz Jr. provides a broad discussion of the role of intelligence in combatting nonstate militants and revisits this moment of innovation during the Iraq War, showing how the defense and intelligence communities can adapt to new and evolving foes. Shultz tells the story of how TF 714 partnered with US intelligence agencies to dismantle AQI's secret networks by eliminating many of its key leaders. He also reveals how TF 714 altered its methods and practices of intelligence collection, intelligence analysis, and covert paramilitary operations to suppress AQI's growing insurgency and, ultimately, destroy its networked infrastructure. TF 714 remains an exemplar of successful organizational learning and adaptation in the midst of modern warfare. By examining its innovations, Shultz makes a compelling case for intelligence leading the way in future campaigns against nonstate armed groups.

[Soldier C: Secret War in Arabia](#) - Shaun Clarke 2013-12-12

In the arid deserts and mountains of Arabia a 'secret' war is being fought. While the Communist-backed guerrillas of the People's Front for the Liberation of the Occupied Arabian Gulf have been waging a campaign of terror against Oman, British Army Training Teams have been winning the hearts and minds of the people with medical aid and educational programmes. Now the time has come to rid the country of the guerrillas, known as the Adoo, not only to free Oman, but also to

guarantee the safe passage of Arabian oil to the West. Only one group of men is capable of doing this job the legendary Special Air Force the SAS! On the night of October 1, 1971, two squadrons of SAS troopers, backed by the Sultan's Armed Forces and fierce, unpredictable Firqat Arab fighters, start to clear the fanatical Adoo from the summit of the mighty Jebel Dhofar a mountain 3,000 feet high and scorched by the desert sun. In doing so, the men of the SAS embark on one of their most daring and unforgettable adventures. Soldier C SAS: Secret War in Arabia is the third in a series of novels based on this extraordinary regiment a thrilling 'factoid' adventure about the most daring soldiers in military history: the SAS!

Secret War in Arabia (SAS Operation) - Shaun Clarke 2015-11-19

Ultimate soldier. Ultimate mission. But will the SAS succeed in freeing Oman from the deadly grip of fanatical guerrillas?

**Soldier J: Counter Insurgency in Aden** - Shaun Clarke 2013-12-12

In 1964 two different kinds of war were being waged simultaneously by the British in Aden. The inhabitants of the forbidding mountainous region of Radfan, in the north of the Republic of Yemen, were conducting guerrilla attacks against the British. Armed by the Egyptians and trained by the communist Yemenis, they were a formidable fighting force, and appeared invincible. The British had only one hope of beating them: to draft in an even more tenacious group of soldiers the SAS! Tasked with stopping the flow of weapons to the rebel tribesmen, Radforce was assembled from Aden's federal regular army together with various British forces including the legendary troopers of the SAS. After parachuting into the enemy territory at night, the SAS established concealed observation posts high in the mountains, from where they directed air strikes on the rebels moving through the sun-baked passes. At the same time, in an even more dangerous campaign, teams of two or three SAS men, disguised as Arabs, were infiltrating the souks and bazaars of the port of Aden to 'neutralise' leading members of the National Liberation Front with their renowned 'double tap' 0 firing their Browning high-power high-power handguns at close range as part of the daring 'Keeni Meeni' operations. Soldier J SAS: Counter-insurgency in Aden is the breathtaking story of how the SAS fought these two contrasting campaigns in the same place at the same time with exceptional tenacity, skill and courage.

**Oman** - Diana Darke 2010

One of the last remote corners of the Arabian Peninsula, Oman has only recently permitted tourism, fearing it would engulf the local culture before it was ready. Today a growing number of visitors are discovering a land of awe-inspiring natural landscapes: mountains, ravines, cliffs, canyons, desert and coastline sweltering under the Middle Eastern sun. In this fully revised and updated Bradt guide, author Diana Darke describes in detail the archaeological wonders, nature reserves and world-class diving sites of this spellbinding sultanate. Visitors can soak up the spicy, perfumed souk atmosphere, watch a camel race or camp out with the Bedouin under the stars. Brimming with up-to-date information on restaurants and bars, hotels, sports facilities and trip itineraries, Bradt's Oman has everything for the traveller who wants to explore the land beyond the myth.

Jihad! - Tom Carew 2012-08-17

The British have never fought against the Soviet army, right? Wrong. In 1980, Ronald Reagan and Margaret Thatcher had taken over the leadership of the West and the Soviets has invaded Afghanistan; the most crucial battle of the cold war was about to begin. In the high mountain passes of the north-west Frontier and the Hindu Kush, the CIA and its Western allies saw an opportunity to bring the mighty Soviet to its knees. Their weapon: the Islamic guerrillas of the Afghan Mujahideen. Their agent: Tom Carew, the first Western agent to link up with the Mujahideen, led a series of daring initiatives inside Afghanistan. His account covers in extraordinary and revealing detail combat action against the Soviet Spetsnaz and Afghan mercenaries; reconnaissance missions leading to the installation of the first West-sponsored training camp for the Mujahideen in Pakistan; and Carew's attempt to hijack an aircraft during a covert arms-buying mission. During these operations, the author was accepted and befriended by the fundamentalist Mujahideen and became as close to them as any European infidel could ever get. In many ways he was a latter-day Lawrence of Arabia. Tom Carew later rejoined his unit. Wry, perceptive and sensitive, Jihad! is a fast-paced account of combat espionage and high adventure, against the backdrop of the last truly wild and lawless country on Earth. It sheds unprecedented light on the sharp edge of the cold war and the conduct of special operations in the modern era.

Oman - Tony Walsh 2016-12

Bradt's is the most up-to-date and informative guide to Oman, the Arabian peninsula's most welcoming destination, fully revised and updated by an author who has been living in Oman and Arabia since 1986. Oman is finally reaping the economic benefit of its location between Europe, Africa and Asia with substantial investment in major shipping ports and significant expansion of the national airline with new routes to Western Europe and East Asia. Despite being at the crossroads of great trade routes and empires, Oman has remained an independent country through much of its long history, and today tourism and travel are a major focus for Oman's government. This new edition covers the recent substantial investment in new airport facilities and upmarket accommodation and also features the historic UNESCO towns of Samharam and Al Balid. If you want to live like a local, the guide also tells you how to slow cook the traditional spiced meat shuwa and how to be a perfect guest if invited into an Omani home. Oman is not merely a desert. While it has the classic sand seas - Wihibah Sands - home to the nomadic Bedouin and their camels, this sultanate also boasts lush monsoon-soaked valleys near Salalah, mountain villages surrounded by green terraced fields of fruit trees and rose bushes, and the reef-fringed Ad Dimaniyyat Islands. With such a varied wilderness there is huge scope for adventure. Oman is increasingly perceived as a high-end cultural destination. The new Opera House has opened, directly supported by the Sultan, with top-notch international performers like Placido Domingo. The guide includes advice on property buying, since Omani law changed to allow expatriates to buy, explaining the rules and regulations. There is also a detailed overview of language schools teaching Arabic, not found in other guides. With advice on cultural etiquette, basic Arabic phrases and political history - as well as full practical information on where to stay and eat, and what to see and do - this fully updated edition remains the essential guide for travellers looking to discover the real Oman.

**The War That Never Was** - Duff Hart-Davis 2012

This title tells the story of a secret war fought by British mercenaries in the Yemen in the early 1960s. The book features British military history, much in the spirit of Ben McIntyre's 'Agent Zigzag' and 'Operation Mincemeat'.

*Big Boys' Rules* - Mark Urban 1992-01-01

The SAS describes its attitude to the use of lethal force as 'Big boys' games, big boys' rules'. Anyone caught with a gun or bomb can expect to be shot. In Big Boys' Rules: The SAS and the Secret Struggle Against the IRA Mark Urban meticulously explores the security forces' covert operations in Northern Ireland: from the mid-1970s, when they were stepped up, to the Loughall ambush in 1987, in which eight IRA Provisionals were killed. While charting the successes and failures of special operations during the troubles, Urban reveals the unenviable dilemmas faced by intelligence chiefs engaged in a daily struggle against one of the world's most sophisticated terrorist organisations. 'This is a book that needed to be written and which fulfils the essentials of any Ulster story; it expands understanding beyond fragmented jingoism and newspaper headlines.' John Stalker, Sunday Times

*Disrupt and Deny* - Rory Cormac 2018-05-09

British leaders use spies and Special Forces to interfere in the affairs of others discreetly and deniably. Since 1945, MI6 has spread misinformation designed to divide and discredit targets from the Middle East to Eastern Europe and Northern Ireland. It has instigated whispering campaigns and planted false evidence on officials working behind the Iron Curtain, tried to foment revolution in Albania, blown up ships to prevent the passage of refugees to Israel, and secretly funnelled aid to insurgents in Afghanistan and dissidents in Poland. MI6 has launched cultural and economic warfare against Iceland and Czechoslovakia. It has tried to instigate coups in Congo, Egypt, Syria, Saudi Arabia, Iran, and elsewhere. Through bribery and blackmail, Britain has rigged elections as colonies moved to independence. Britain has fought secret wars in Yemen, Indonesia, and Oman — and discreetly used Special Forces to eliminate enemies from colonial Malaya to Libya during the Arab Spring. This is covert action: a vital, though controversial, tool of statecraft and perhaps the most sensitive of all government activity. If used wisely, it can play an important role in pursuing national interests in a dangerous world. If used poorly, it can cause political scandal — or worse. In Disrupt and Deny, Rory Cormac tells the remarkable true story of Britain's secret scheming against its enemies, as well as its friends; of intrigue and manoeuvring within the darkest corridors of Whitehall, where officials fought to maintain control of this most sensitive and seductive work; and, above all, of Britain's attempt to use smoke and mirrors to mask decline. He reveals hitherto

secret operations, the slush funds that paid for them, and the battles in Whitehall that shaped them.

**A Concise History of Afghanistan in 25 Volumes** - Hamid Wahed Alikuzai 2013-10-11

For 35,000 years ancient Afghanistan was called Aryana (the Light of God) has existed. Then in 747 AD what is today called Afghanistan became Khorasan (which means Sunrise in Dari) which was a much larger geographical area. In the middle of the nineteenth century the name Afghanistan, which means home of the united tribes, was applied originally by the Saxons (present day British) and the Russians. During the Great Games in the middle of nineteenth century, the Durand Line was created in 1893 and was in place until 1993. Saxons created the state of Afghanistan out of a geographical area roughly the size of Texas: in 1893 before which there were 10 million square kilometers, larger than the size of Canada, as means to act as a buffer zone between the Saxon-India & Tsarist-Russia and the Chinese.

**Marine J SBS** - Peter Corrigan 2016-02-25

East Africa, 1975. The dictator Idi Amin's reign of terror in Uganda is faltering. In a bid to pacify his increasingly mutinous army, he attacks neighbouring Tanzania. His brutal invasion meets little resistance except for one small group of highly-trained British soldiers. However, these were no ordinary soldiers: they were eight men of the legendary Special Boat Squadron. Fighting on the shores of Lake Victoria with only an Mi6 spook for company, the SBS team are charged with blunting the attack of East Africa's strongest military force, knowing that if they are caught, their government will deny any knowledge of their mission. This is classic military fiction at its best.

**Democracies at War against Terrorism** - S. Cohen 2016-03-28

Numerous democratic nations have been singled out by NGOs for brutality in their modus operandi, for paying inadequate attention to civilian protection or for torture of prisoners. This book deals with the difficulties faced when conducting asymmetric warfare in populated areas without violating humanitarian law.

**Monsoon Revolution** - Abdel Razzaq Takriti 2013-08-15

The Dhufar revolution in Oman (1965-1976) was the longest running major armed struggle in the history of the Arabian Peninsula, Britain's last classic colonial war in the region, and one of the highlights of the Cold War in the Middle East. Monsoon Revolution retrieves the political, social, and cultural history of that remarkable process. Relying upon a wide range of untapped Arab and British archival and oral sources, it revises the modern history of Oman by revealing the centrality of popular movements in shaping events and outcomes. The ties that bound transnational anti-colonial networks are explored, and Dhufar is revealed to be an ideal vantage point from which to demonstrate the centrality of South-South connections in modern Arab history.

**Irregular Soldiers and Rebellious States** - Michael P. Noonan 2021-04-15

Michael P. Noonan examines U.S. capabilities to conduct foreign internal defense and unconventional warfare. Using a newly developed typology and nine case studies, he places campaigns within broader contexts of military culture and history, offering 3 findings and 6 policy recommendations for considering when or not to use such capabilities.

**SAS Operations** - James D. Ladd 1986

*From Alliance to Union* - Joseph A. Kéchichian 2016-05-24

After the conservative Arab Gulf Monarchies - Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) - joined forces on 25 May 1981 within the Gulf Co-operation Council (GCC), few fathomed that security requirements on and around the Arabian Peninsula would be so precarious and for so long. To answer their search for permanent stability, Arab Gulf rulers erected a regional alliance that sought to integrate internal and regional defences, as well as strengthen their existing socio-economic ties. Several of the monarchies even hoped that co-ordination on foreign policy issues over which near unanimity existed could, eventually, lead to a full-fledged union as envisaged in the organisation's founding charter. Between 1981 and 2015 these Arab Gulf monarchies experienced major socio-political transformations resulting from upheavals throughout the Arab and Muslim worlds. The perceived necessity to bring about a full-fledged union has come into conflict with entrenched viewpoints from regimes that value traditional military/political roles and norms. In this new study, Joseph A. Kechichian provides an evaluation of GCC States' military institutions to better evaluate whether a stable alliance is capable of enduring over the next few decades, and how civilian leaders perceive the role and influence of their military officers for the task. Kechichian raises fundamental questions over internal, regional and international threats,

including an existential challenge emanating from the Islamic revolutionary government of Iran, and assesses how GCC professionals may be preparing to tackle them. He further elucidates on the best methods to meet security challenges not only to secure political survival but also to determine whether conservative Arab Gulf regimes can flourish outside an effective alliance. The volume concludes with an examination of evolving civil-military relations in the GCC States.

**Not a Good Day to Die** - Sean Naylor 2005-03-01

Award-winning combat journalist Sean Naylor reveals a firsthand account of the largest battle fought by American military forces in Afghanistan in an attempt to destroy al-Qaeda and Taliban forces. At dawn on March 2, 2002, America's first major battle of the 21st century began. Over 200 soldiers of the 101st Airborne and 10th Mountain Division flew into Afghanistan's Shah-i-Kot Valley—and into the mouth of a buzz saw. They were about to pay a bloody price for strategic, high-level miscalculations that underestimated the enemy's strength and willingness to fight. Naylor, an eyewitness to the battle, details the failures of military intelligence and planning, while vividly portraying the astonishing heroism of these young, untested US soldiers. Denied the extra support with which they trained, these troops nevertheless proved their worth in brutal combat and prevented an American military disaster.

**Secret Operations of the SAS** - Mike Ryan 2003

Secret Operations of the SAS charts the early days of the Regiment, and follows their major combat actions right through to their current deployment in the war against terrorism. With specially commissioned colour artwork and rare action photographs, it is a highly illustrated guide to the combat history of the SAS.

*Counterinsurgency in Modern Warfare* - Daniel Marston 2011-01-01

Throughout history armies of occupation and civil power have been faced with the challenges of insurgency. British and American involvement in Iraq and Afghanistan has highlighted this form of conflict in the modern world. Armies have had to adopt new doctrines and tactics to deal with the problems of insurgency and diverse counterinsurgency strategies have been developed. Here, fourteen authors examine the development of counterinsurgency from the early 20th century to the present. Including information on the Arab-Israeli conflict, Afghanistan and Iraq this book is a timely and accessible survey of a critical facet of modern warfare. This new paperback edition features a revised introduction, updated chapters on Iraq and Afghanistan and a completely new chapter on Columbia by expert Thomas Marks.

**Eye of the Storm** - Peter Ratcliffe 2014-01-13

Peter Ratcliffe served in the SAS for twenty-five years. Blooded in Oman in the 1970s, he also saw action in Northern Ireland, in the Falklands War, and in the Gulf campaign. From his early days in the Paras to his time as Regimental Sergeant-Major in the Gulf, he has lived and fought by the motto 'Who Dares Wins'. Eye of the Storm is his insider's account of that exceptional career. Fastpaced, earthy, dramatic, funny, occasionally disturbing, it is laced with firsthand descriptions of ferocious and bloody fighting, sudden death and incredible heroism, and peopled with a cast of extraordinary individuals. Beyond that, however, it corrects many of the distortions and exaggerations of other books, and explodes several long-standing myths about the Regiment. Here - at last - is the authentic voice of the SAS. This enhanced edition contains additional audio and text material: - Audio Recording of an SAS Firefight in Oman, 1973 - The Little Book of SAS by Peter Ratcliffe, an extensive glossary of SAS terms

**The Mammoth Book of Secrets of the SAS & Elite Forces** - Jon E. Lewis 2012-03-01

The SAS have earned their reputation as the world's toughest fighting unit, from the Falklands War to Kosovo, the Gulf War and other crises elsewhere. This is a step-by-step guide to the tactics of such elite units, with true accounts of the SAS's most famous exploits, as well as those of crack US Army units such as Delta Force and the Green Berets. It includes: how the SAS and other elite units came into being and how they work; combat techniques in hostile environments, from the Sahara to the Arctic; evasion, capture and escape routes; personal skills, including navigation, combat tracking and hazard avoidance; and wilderness survival skills.

*British Counterinsurgency* - John Newsinger 2016-04-30

British Counterinsurgency challenges the British Army's claim to counterinsurgency expertise. It provides well-written, accessible and up-to-date accounts of the post-1945 campaigns in Palestine, Malaya, Kenya, Cyprus, South Yemen, Dhofar, Northern Ireland and more recently in Iraq and Afghanistan.

*Behind Iraqi Lines (SAS Operation)* - Shaun Clarke 2015-11-19  
Ultimate soldier. Ultimate mission. But will the SAS survive the inferno of Operation Desert Storm?

*Task Force Black* - Mark Urban 2011-06-07

When American and British forces invaded Iraq in March 2003, select teams of special forces and intelligence operatives got to work looking for the WMD their governments had promised were there. They quickly realized no such weapons existed. Instead they faced an insurgency—a soaring spiral of extremism and violence that was almost impossible to understand, let alone reverse. Facing defeat, the Coalition waged a hidden war within a war. Major-General Stan McChrystal devised a campaign fusing special forces, aircraft, and the latest surveillance technology with the aim of taking down the enemy faster than it could regenerate. Guided by intelligence, British and American special forces conducted a relentless onslaught, night after night targeting al-Qaeda and other insurgent groups. Task Force Black reveals not only the intensity of the secret fight that turned the tide in Baghdad but the rivalries and personal battles that had to be overcome along the way. Incisive, dramatic, exceptionally revealing, the war in Iraq cannot be understood without this book.

**Marine L SBS** - Ian Blake 2016-02-25

In the aftermath of the Dunkirk evacuation in 1940, Roger 'Jumbo' Pountney is ordered to form and train a small group of canoeists. Taking as his paddler and second-in-command Lieutenant Philip Ayton of the Royal Marines, they command a body of men, known as No.1 Special Boat Section, who are as ruthless and independent as any that fought in World War II. They employ Folbot kayaks to get ashore from submarines to attack vital enemy targets in the Mediterranean and in these hazardous clandestine operations, skill and stealth count just as much as bravery. It is in the midst of these battles that the reputation of the legendary SBS would be forged. Based on early SBS missions undertaken during World War II, this is classic military fiction at its best.

**Bullets Not Ballots** - Jacqueline L. Hazelton 2021-05-15

In *Bullets Not Ballots*, Jacqueline L. Hazelton challenges the claim that winning "hearts and minds" is critical to successful counterinsurgency campaigns. Good governance, this conventional wisdom holds, gains the besieged government popular support, denies support to the insurgency, and makes military victory possible. Hazelton argues that major counterinsurgent successes since World War II have resulted not through democratic reforms but rather through the use of military force against civilians and the co-optation of rival elites. Hazelton offers new analyses of five historical cases frequently held up as examples of the effectiveness of good governance in ending rebellions—the Malayan Emergency, the Greek Civil War, the Huk Rebellion in the Philippines, the Dhofar rebellion in Oman, and the Salvadoran Civil War—to show that, although unpalatable, it was really brutal repression and bribery that brought each conflict to an end. By showing how compellence works in intrastate conflicts, *Bullets Not Ballots* makes clear that whether or not the international community decides these human, moral, and material costs are acceptable, responsible policymaking requires recognizing the actual components of counterinsurgent success—and the limited influence that external powers have over the tactics of counterinsurgent elites.

*Oman* - John Beasant 2011-05-27

Oman is one of the world's most secretive countries, ruled with absolute authority by the Sultan. All information is strictly controlled by the State: British Prime Minister Edward Heath once said that the story of the 1970 Palace Coup and the events that followed would 'not be told in our lifetime'. Following ten years' residency in the country a senior member of Sultan Qaboos's Family suggested that John Beasant write a political history of Oman that would to some extent rehabilitate the maligned name of former Sultan Said, who was deposed in the 1970 Coup. In 'Oman' Beasant catalogues a nature of exploitation woven through all manner of political and commercial interests and casts light on the dark practices so often involved in the sale of arms to Middle Eastern states and illustrates the political use to which the sale of 'black gold' - oil - can be put. Oman is a parable of our times, detailing rivalry and intrigue

between people in high places. It is one of the most dramatic tales in Arab history: a chronicle of personal price, rapacious greed and undiluted lust for power.

**The Secret War Against the Jews** - John Loftus 2017-05-16

A hugely controversial work that exposes a series of scandals from Oliver North to the British royal family, *The Secret War Against the Jews* reveals as much about political corruption inside Western intelligence as it does about Israel. Using thousands of previously top-secret documents and interviews with hundreds of current and former spies, Loftus and Aarons, both veteran investigators, Nazi-hunters, and authors, present a compelling narrative. The authors demonstrate that numerous Western countries, especially the United States and Great Britain, have conducted repeated and willful spying missions on Palestine and later Israel over many decades. While on the surface these two countries and others profess to be ardent allies of Israel, they work, in fact, through their intelligence services to betray Israel's secrets to the Arabs. Their motive: oil and multinational profits, which must be attained at any price through international covert policies. The pageant of characters appearing in this narrative is vast and shocking. This is not only a compelling work of history, but also a volume whose grave allegations will be debated for years to come.

*A History of Counterinsurgency [2 volumes]* - Gregory Fremont-Barnes 2015-05-05

This two-volume history of counterinsurgency covers all the major and many of the lesser known examples of this widespread and enduring form of conflict, addressing the various measures employed in the attempt to overcome the insurgency and examining the individuals and organizations responsible for everything from counterterrorism to infrastructure building. • Provides an extremely broad coverage of counterinsurgency that spans the period from 1900 to the present day and addresses geographical areas such as Algeria, India, Northern Ireland, Iraq, Afghanistan, Malaya, Cyprus, Vietnam, and many other regions and countries • Supplies historical and geographical perspectives that enable the reader to examine each chapter as an independent case study and compare and contrast each event with others to draw lessons across time • Includes an extensive bibliography that covers all aspects of modern counterinsurgency-based themes, including geographical regions, theory, and tactics

*Soldier X: Operation Takeaway* - Doug Armstrong 2013-12-12

For Captain Don Headley of the SAS, the police anti-terrorist exercise on the outskirts of Heathrow Airport was to have been just another training job. But in the grey suburban sprawl on the edge of London another, far more sinister plot was about to unfold, a plot that would suck him in relentlessly and send him off on a hostage-rescue mission to the Indian subcontinent. Under the auspices of the inscrutable Intelligence chief Sir Anthony Briggs, the operation would reunite him with some of the hardest troopers from Hereford, for only such a hand-picked team was capable of storming a terrorist stronghold among the mountain fastnesses of Pakistan. And only the very best would have a chance of coming back alive. Central to the mission was the mysterious Mr Sanji. It was at the cost of precious lives that Don and his men would learn the horrific secret of this world-weary man and understand at last that the roots of the kidnap plot lay buried in the dying days of the British Raj.

**Marine H SBS** - Ian Blake 2016-01-20

Fresh from the 1943 Aegean Campaign, explosives expert Sergeant Colin 'Tiger' Tiller of the Royal Marines, is selected to undergo covert training in a one-man midget submarine fitted with a newly modified, specialist weapon. Posted to the Far East he enrolls in the Special Boat Section, where he set about ruthlessly destroying Japanese supply ships among the crocodile-infested mangrove swamps along the Arakan coast, raiding enemy-held islands, and employing his deadly skills on Burma's Irrawaddy River. There he receives special orders to use the midget submarine in his most dangerous raid yet... *Marine H SBS: The Burma Offensive* - based on real operations mounted during World War II - recounts the death-defying exploits of a group of highly trained individuals pitted against the armed might of the Japanese Empire. This is classic military fiction at its best.