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Imperial War Museum Spitfires Wall

But this particular Spitfire is frozen in flight, its nose pointing to the ceiling of London's Imperial War Museum, through which 100,000 children–brought by schools, parents and grandparents–troop ...

Will the Imperial War Museum survive the culture wars?

A War hero who flew Spitfires for the RAF during World War Two and member of the Caterpillar Club, has sadly passed away aged 100.

War hero and member of the Caterpillar Club sadly passes away

The Imperial War Museum has just made public the remarkable ... This time it was more dangerous as it involved crossing a 13-foot barbed wall. They somehow managed to escape.

The Indian war hero who stood up to the Nazis

Joyce Kozloff charts physical and diplomatic terrain, creating places, real and imagined, to dramatize the intersections of culture and politics. DC Moore Gallery is presenting a timely new body of ...

DC Moore Gallery exhibits a new body of work by Joyce Kozloff

Ground crew rearm a Supermarine Spitfire Mark VC of No. 601 Squadron ... while on the ground at Luqa in 1942. Photo: Imperial War Museum The cross was not recognised as an official badge but ...

The epic air battle of Malta

I've been passionate about the past ever since I was a boy, when I was addicted to Ladybird books about characters such as Elizabeth I and Horatio Nelson (above), writes DOMINIC SANDBROOK.

My quest to teach Britain's children about the heroes of history: Forget the Left's loathing of our past, says DOMINIC SANDBROOK, what youngsters want to read about is derring-do

More than 70 people gathered at the Imperial War Museum in Duxford ... It was very good – spoiled only by the odd Hurricane or Spitfire flying over." Mr Giles, the chair of the county council ...

Duxford museum hosts Cambridgeshire County Council meeting

The Second World War Spitfire has been making its way across ... the aircraft around villages near to their base at the Imperial War Museum in Duxford as part of the Clap for Carers campaign ...

NHS Spitfire is making the historic journey across the North East RIGHT NOW

An imaginative artistic exhibition commemorating the Falklands Conflict in a new light is attracting the interest of visitors to London's famous Imperial War Museum ... onto a wall of the gallery.

Artists' exhibition on Falklands Conflict

With restored buildings, new interpretation spaces and tailored trails, the grand municipal cemeteries of the 19th century are proving popular places to visit, even at a time of great loss ...

Life after death

Leading doctors have urged the Government to keep some measures in place after the July 19 reopening amid a rapid rise in Covid cases.The British Medical association called for the continuation of ...

UK Covid LIVE: Keep some Covid measures after July 19, says BMA, as 'quarantine to end for double jabbed'

A Russian team discovered a sprawling bunker complex apparently built by imperial Japanese forces on ... by Soviet forces at the end of World War II. The expedition leader likened the ruined ...

Russians find 'underground city' of war era on Btorofu Island

For a period, too, some of the attendees were airbrushed out of official accounts, accused of collaborating with the Imperial Army in the treacherous civil war and ... to a museum in one of ...

The lives of the party: The Chinese Communist Party turns 100

The group needs help from the community to find World War II and Korean War-era veterans from San Diego, Imperial and ... the USS Midway Museum and the Alpine Veterans Wall of Honor to assist ...

Honor Flight seeks WWII, Korean War veterans

It takes an anthropologist, who gets into the field, to describe “the powerful forces that have shaped the permanent system of imperial war in ... gift shop wall at the American Museum of ...

Mind Stretching Summertime Book Recommendations

The city of Nagoya is the capital of Aichi Prefecture and has a strong tradition of automotive and aviation industries. Not only is it a center for science and technology, but also traditional arts ...

17 Fun Things to Do in Nagoya—Places to Go, Local Food & Sightseeing Tips

Cosmopolitan, clean, and visually striking, Tokyo is an urban paradise—a confluence of past and present with a mix of gleaming skyscrapers, imperial ... Pagoda, War Remnants Museum ...

Relive the style, might, and glory of classic air warfare with Flying Legends 2022, a 16-month wall calendar featuring 13 full-color images of classic warplanes in flight! Take to the skies with the legendary warbirds pictured in this stunning calendar. With a handy page that shows the months of September, October, November, and December 2021, followed by individual pages for the months of 2022, each photo is accompanied by all the fun-to-remember stats for each plane, including its ceiling, its bombload, and the powerplant where it was built. The 17" × 12" calendar images are the perfect size for framing, so when 2022 comes to an end, you can continue to admire these mighty warplanes. This is a great gift for the history nut, military buff, or veteran in your life. From launch to landing, Flying Legends 2022 will have you feeling sky-high all year!

“An amazing tribute to the people who designed, built and flew it—a comprehensive history of one of the most beautiful aircraft ever manufactured.”—Books Monthly The magnificent Vickers Supermarine Spitfire, together with its able partner the Hawker Hurricane, saved Britain from Nazi invasion in the summer of 1940 and irrevocably changed the course of the Second World War. This book from Philip Kaplan celebrates one of history's most important weapons in a glorious new light. A British national icon, the Spitfire is the best-known symbol of the war years for generations of Britons. From the deep, haunting growl of its Rolls-Royce engine, to the elegant style of its elliptical wing, it is perhaps the most famous and revered combat airplane ever built. Kaplan investigates just what it is that fuels the Spitfire's compelling mystique. During wartime, it held an unrivaled reputation amongst Allied and Axis airmen. Today, it continues to hold aviation enthusiasts in thrall. Kaplan highlights the immeasurable contributions of Spitfire designers Reginald J. Mitchell and Joseph Smith, test pilots Jeffrey Quill, Mutt Summers and Alex Henshaw, and ace Spitfire pilots including Al Deere, Sailor Malan and Pierre Clostermann. All added to the legend of this lovely, but deadly, little fighter. “Can be considered a ‘Potted History’ of the Spitfire and its military and civilian service, with particular emphasis being placed on the restoration of AR213. On that basis it will probably appeal to Spitfire aficionados in particular and to aviation and war-bird enthusiasts in general.”—*NY Crown Mines*

In 1940 Britain was an island under siege. The march of the Nazi war machine had been unrelenting: France and Belgium had quickly fallen and now the British Empire and the Commonwealth stood alone to counter the grave threat. However, their fate would not be decided by armies of millions but by a small band of fighter pilots. It was on their shoulders that Britain's best chance of survival rested. Above the villages and cities, playing fields and market towns, the skies of southern England were the scene of countless dogfights as the fledgling Fighter Command duelled daily against the might of the Luftwaffe. The Battle of Britain offers an in-depth assessment of the situation leading up to the summer of 1940, the strategies employed by the adversaries and the brutal aerial battle itself. Lavishly illustrated with photographs, contemporary art and posters, and accompanied by numerous first-hand accounts, this is a volume that captures the reality of a defining chapter in British history.

On 8 September 1944 the first of over 1,000 V2 missiles aimed at southern England exploded in west London. It had been launched from a wooded street corner in Den Haag in the Netherlands. Fighter Command was responsible for defending Britain from air attack and thus Air Marshal Roderic Hill countered the threat by using six squadrons of Spitfires from 12 Group bases in Norfolk to discover and then dive-bomb the mobile V2 launch sites scattered throughout the Dutch towns and countryside. This was no easy task as the missiles were well camouflaged and often positioned adjacent to dwellings occupied by civilians. The RAF was under orders to cause minimum damage to Dutch property and life, therefore precision bombing became a necessity. This is a full account of the campaign including discussions of the strategy and tactics employed and the equipment used and it also considers the effect upon Dutch civilians. It draws upon the experiences of sixteen Allied pilots, ground crew and the Dutch who were at the receiving-end of the attacks.

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The summer of 1940 remains a pivotal moment in modern British history – still inspiring immense national pride and a global fascination. The Fall of France was catastrophic. Britain stood alone and within range of German air attack. America, with its vast resources was neutral. Hitler's forces unbeaten, the outlook for Britain bleak. As Britain's wartime leader, Winston Churchill, rightly predicted, “the battle of Britain is about to begin”. Famously, Churchill mobilized the English language, emboldening the nation with rousing rhetoric. In this darkest of hours, Churchill told the people that this was, in fact, their ‘Finest Hour’, a time of unprecedented courage and defiance which defined the British people. Connecting the crucial battle with Shakespeare's heroic Henry V and Agincourt, Churchill also immortalized Fighter Command's young aircrew as the ‘Few’ – to whom so many owed everything. The Few comprised nearly 3,000 aircrew, 544 of which gave their lives during the Battle of Britain's sixteen weeks of high drama. Arguably, however, the official dates of 10 July – 31 October 1940 are arbitrary, the fighting actually ongoing before and afterwards. Many gave their lives whose names are not included among the Few, as of course did civilians, seamen, and ground staff – which is not overlooked in this groundbreaking book. In this unique study, veteran historian and author Dilip Sarkar explores the individual stories of a wide selection of those who lost their lives during the ‘Finest Hour’, examining their all-too-brief lives and sharing these tragic stories – told here, in full, for the first time. Also included is the story of a German fighter pilot, indicating the breadth of investigation involved. Researched with the full cooperation of the families concerned, this work is a crucial contribution to the Battle of Britain's bibliography.

JOHN RICHARDSON is an Oscar-winning special effects supervisor and designer, who has been involved in over 100 movies, including nine James Bond adventures, all eight Harry Potter films, Aliens, Superman, A Bridge Too Far, Straw Dogs, The Omen, Cliffhanger, Far and Away, Willow . . . and many, many more. In creating the magic that flows through these films – by creating huge explosions, beheading people, producing futuristic gadgets, making a man fly or breathing life into creatures that amaze and haunt us – Richardson has come to hold a unique place in cinema history. The son of pioneering FX technician Cliff Richardson, he learned his trade at the feet of a master of the craft. With over five decades of adventures under his belt, and a vast photographic collection of unseen pictures, Richardson now lifts the lid on his exciting and fascinating career of making movie magic.

During the Second World War, the campaign in Italy was the most destructive fought in Europe – a long, bitter and highly attritional conflict that raged up the country's mountainous leg. For frontline troops, casualty rates at Cassino and along the notorious Gothic Line were as high as they had been on the Western Front in the First World War. There were further similarities too: blasted landscapes, rain and mud, and months on end with the front line barely moving. And while the Allies and Germans were fighting it out through the mountains, the Italians were engaging in bitter battles too. Partisans were carrying out a crippling resistance campaign against the German troops but also battling the Fascists forces as well in what soon became a bloody civil war. Around them, innocent civilians tried to live through the carnage, terror and anarchy, while in the wake of the Allied advance, horrific numbers of impoverished and starving people were left to pick their way through the ruins of their homes and country. In the German-occupied north, there were more than 700 civilian massacres by German and Fascist troops in retaliation for Partisan activities, while in the south, many found themselves forced into making terrible and heart-rending decisions in order to survive. Although known as a land of beauty and for the richness of its culture, Italy's suffering in 1944-1945 is now largely forgotten. Italy's Sorrow by James Holland is the first account of the conflict there to tell the story from all sides and to include the experiences of soldiers and civilians alike. Offering extensive original research, it weaves together the drama and tragedy of that terrible year, including new perspectives and material on some of the most debated episodes to have emerged from World War II.

Guy Mayfield was the Station Chaplain at RAF Duxford during the Battle of Britain. His diary is a moving account of the war fought by the young pilots during that summer of 1940, providing a unique and intimate insight into one of the most pivotal moments in British history. Frequently speaking to pilots who knew they may not survive the next 24 hours, Mayfield's diary provides a vivid account of the fears and hopes of the young men who risked their lives daily for the defense of Britain. Interspersed with photographs of the men and contextual narrative by IWM historian Carl Warner, this book brings a compelling and direct new perspective to this historic battle.

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