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Appel

In the first place, there was the old standing trouble about the Shuwa Patrol; in the second, the truculent Chiboks were waxing insolent again, and their young men were regarding not the words of their elders concerning Sir Garnet Wolseley, and what happened, long, long ago, after the battle of Chibok Hill. Thirdly, the price of grain had risen to six shillings a saa, and famine threatened; fourthly, the Shehu and Shuwa

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sheiks were quarrelling again; and, fifthly, there was a very bad smallpox ju-ju abroad in the land (a secret society whose "secret" was to offer His Majesty's liege subjects the choice between being infected with smallpox, or paying heavy blackmail to the society). Lastly, there was acrimonious correspondence with the All-Wise Ones (of the Secretariat in "Aiki Square" at Zungeru), who, as usual, knew better than the man on the spot, and bade him do either the impossible or the disastrous. And across all the Harmattan was blowing hard, that terrible wind that carries the Saharan dust a hundred miles to sea, not so much as a sand-storm, but as a mist or fog of dust as fine as flour, filling the eyes, the lungs, the pores of the skin, the nose and throat; getting into the locks of rifles, the works of watches and cameras, defiling water, food and everything else; rendering life a burden and a curse. The fact, moreover, that thirty days' weary travel over burning desert, across oceans of loose wind-blown sand and prairies of burnt grass, through breast-high swamps, and across unbridged boatless rivers, lay between him and Kano, added nothing to his satisfaction. For, in spite of all, satisfaction there was, inasmuch as Kano was rail-head, and the beginning of the first stage of the journey Home. That but another month lay between him and "leave out of Africa," kept George Lawrence on his feet. From that wonderful and romantic Red City, Kano, sister of Timbuktu, the train would take him, after a three days' dusty journey, to the rubbish-heap called Lagos, on the Bight of Benin of the wicked West African Coast. There he would embark on the good ship Appam, greet her commander, Captain Harrison, and sink into a deck chair with that glorious sigh of relief,

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known in its perfection only to those weary ones who turn their backs upon the Outposts and set their faces towards Home. Meantime, for George Lawrence--disappointment, worry, frustration, anxiety, heat, sand-flies, mosquitoes, dust, fatigue, fever, dysentery, malarial ulcers, and that great depression which comes of monotony indescribable, weariness unutterable, and loneliness unspeakable.

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The classic adventure and military coming-of-age back in print. Simon Murray joined the Legion as a young man inspired by the romantic myth of Beau Geste, but found himself in the ranks of one of the world's great fighting forces. His unique diary of hard living, harsh discipline, and the military tradition of 'March or Die' has 'the drama, excitement and colour of a good guts-and-glory thriller' (Henry Kissinger).

The French Foreign Legion

This powerful look at the French Foreign Legion explores Sloane's experiences with the brutalities, adventure, destruction, danger, and criminal encounters over his five years of service in this dehumanizing regime. Well known as the most notorious, bloody and ruthless band of mercenaries in the world, in 1998 the Legion accepted Tony Sloane at the age of 18, inviting him as an elite member of this secret and mysterious fighting force. The legend and the myths of the Legion captivated Sloane and he quickly learned that life as a legionnaire was not just

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about physical training, but also about pledging mind and soul to the missions and operations.

Fighting for the French Foreign Legion

From the moment Peter Mayle and his wife, Jennie, uprooted their lives in England and crossed the Channel permanently, they never looked back. Here the beloved author of *A Year in Provence* pays tribute to the most endearing and enduring aspects of his life in France—the charming and indelible parade of village life, the sheer beauty, the ancient history. He celebrates the café and lists some of his favorites; identifies his favorite villages, restaurants, and open-air markets; and recounts his most memorable meals. A celebration of twenty-five years of Provençal living—of lessons learned and changes observed—with his final book Mayle has crafted a lasting love letter to his adopted home, marked by his signature warmth, wit, and humor.

The Legion Companion

The classic bestselling account of life in the French Foreign Legion. Simon Murray was nineteen when he joined the French Foreign Legion. Inspired by the romantic myths of *Beau Geste*, he found himself in the ranks of one of the world's greatest - and toughest - fighting forces. He kept a unique diary of the hard living, harsh discipline, and the military tradition of 'March or Die' which he turned into this gripping book. 'Simon Murray's personal account of a gently reared, well-educated British youth's coming of

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The son of underpaid Mexican immigrants, Jaime earned a degree in mechanical engineering from Purdue. But at twenty-three, he was disillusioned with the corporate fast track. So he became an outcast American in a hard-bitten group of recruits-men on the run from their pasts, men without hope: He joined the French Foreign Legion. From the Legion's notoriously brutal training to Salazar's fierce competitiveness, ultimate disillusionment and dramatic desertion, Legion of the Lost is a compelling, firsthand account of today's French Foreign Legion that will dispel myths while adding to the legend of the finest trained army of warriors the world has ever known.

In the Foreign Legion

On campaign under the tricolour This is an essential book for all those interested in the French Foreign Legion because it is a brilliant first hand account written by an English 'gentleman volunteer' who experienced 'life in the legion' in the late 1880's and who had previously been a serving officer in one of

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the cavalry regiments of the British Army. Far from being a tale of hardship and abuse, the author had nothing but admiration for the Legion and-as an experienced soldier-obviously thoroughly enjoyed the five years he spent serving in its ranks. The writer quite simply could not have enough action and he volunteered to serve in Tonkin, Dahomey and against the Tuareg tribesmen of North Africa. In consequence this book is full of colourful and detailed campaign and battle action which is compellingly recounted by a fighting soldier more than capable of putting his engrossing story into words. Highly recommended. Leonaur editions are newly typeset and are not facsimiles; each title is available in softcover and hardback with dustjacket.

Legionnaire

Follow the story of a young man, who, through a chance encounter in prison, leaves his life of crime and joins the ranks of one of the world's toughest fighting forces. J. R. Lawrence served in the 3rd company of the parachute regiment (2REP) from 2007 - 2011. The author served in the Foreign Legion during the War on Terror period and the book includes a chapter on the war in Afghanistan.

Management of Legionella in Water Systems

After finishing university but not ready to settle down, Gareth Carins joined the French Foreign Legion in 1996 and served for five years in their elite Parachute

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Regiment. He experienced at first hand the extremes of human nature, witnessing both the brutal cruelty shown by some Legionnaires in the name of tradition, to the personal sacrifices shown by others. Along the way he met many of the fascinating characters that come from all corners of the world to serve in the ranks of the Foreign Legion. *Diary of a Legionnaire* is a candid and eye opening insight into this mysterious army, told through Gareth's exciting and at times humorous adventures during the first eighteen months of his service, as we follow him from the brutality of basic training, to the realities of combat in the jungles of West Africa

March Or Die

Known for its austerity and discipline, deprivation and sacrifice, the French Foreign Legion is perhaps the most intriguing and famous fighting force in the world. Five years is a long time to commit to anything - especially when your life is at stake. In *Life in the French Foreign Legion*, Evan McGorman writes about his personal experiences between 1989 and 1994 during his time with the elite corps. He discusses every aspect of Legion life including the pros and cons of desertion.

Legion of the Lost

"*In the Foreign Legion*" by Erwin Rosen. Published by Good Press. Good Press publishes a wide range of titles that encompasses every genre. From well-known classics & literary fiction and non-fiction to

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Beau Geste

A British soldier reveals what it takes to serve in the elite French Foreign Legion Penniless, divorced and AWOL from the British forces, Bill Parris volunteered for the French Foreign Legion in the early 1980s. Unlike many British volunteers to the Legion, Bill did not desert. He endured a horrendous training regime and, despite a fear of heights (!) joined the elite Foreign Legion Parachute Regiment. This is more than a war story - it is a personal journey too, as Bill comes to terms with his own inner demons. His five years' service included brutal combat in Rwanda and Chad, events that still trigger nightmares. But he emerged as a man at peace with himself, and with a story to tell.

Life in the Legion

Legio Patria Nostra (Lat.) The Legion is our Fatherland. Eighteen years ago they came to destroy us A race of conquerors from deep space had set their eyes on Earths riches. Their invasion slaughtered billions. But humanity united under a common leadership and fought back. We chased them off Earth

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and most of the Solar System. The war still rages on, and every year young people are sent out to die, far away from Earth. Ethan Wang was born on the day of the invasion, during the chaos and turmoil of war and now hes ready to join the fight. But first he has to become a soldier, and survive his initiation into one of the toughest military units Earth ever mustered: the Ghost Legion. With Ghost Legion, Andreas Christensen kicks off the Legionnaire Series, a military science fiction set in the near future. Suit up, and get ready for a roller coaster ride into space!

My Camp

The natural order having been restored, Mordru rules the universe from a position of absolute power. Can a handful of rebels restore the timeline of 'The Knights of the Thirty,' or is Mordru destined to rule forever?

The Naked Soldier

Star Boy takes a ragtag team on a suicide mission into Dominator space to rescue Brainiac 5. Meanwhile, Cosmic Boy searches for evidence in the Dominator embassy in Metropolis!

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Life in the Legion

The French Foreign Legion is a complete, captivating study of the famed fighting force, from its inception in 1831 to modern times. Historian Douglas Porch chronicles the Legion's involvement in Spain, Mexico, Indochina, Madagascar, WWI, Vietnam, and Algiers (to name a few) and delves into the inner workings of legionnaires and their captains. Known for draconian discipline and shrouded in mystery, the secrets of the Legion are guarded by those who have gained admittance into its elite society. In this thoroughly researched and impressive account, Porch reveals the mysteries surrounding a Legion of "unparalleled exoticism, pathos, and drama."

The Tigers of Tonkin

At the Edge of the World

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The remarkable story of the French Foreign Legion, its dramatic rise throughout the nineteenth century, and its most committed champion, General Hubert Lyautey. An aura of mystery, romance, and danger surrounds the French Foreign Legion, the all-volunteer corps of the French Army, founded in 1831. Famous for its physically grueling training in harsh climates, the legion fought in French wars from Mexico to Madagascar, Southeast Asia to North Africa. To this day, despite its reputation for being assigned the riskiest missions in the roughest terrain, the mystique of the legion continues to attract men from every corner of the world. In *At the Edge of the World*, historian Jean-Vincent Blanchard follows the legion's rise to fame during the nineteenth century--focusing on its campaigns in Indochina and especially in Africa--when the corps played a central role in expanding and protecting the French Empire. As France struggled to be a power capable of rivaling the British, the figure of the legionnaire--deadly, self-sacrificing, uncompromisingly efficient--came to represent the might and morale that would secure a greater, stronger nation. Drawing from rare, archival memoirs and testimonies of legionnaires from the period and tracing the fascinating career of Hubert Lyautey, France's first resident-general in Morocco and a hero to many a legionnaire, *At the Edge of the World* chronicles the Foreign Legion at the height of its renown, when the corps and its archetypically handsome, moody, and marginalized recruits became both the symbols of a triumphant colonialism and the stuff of legend.

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Legionnaire

"What creates success? Is it skill? Talent? Ambition? Luck? Expertise? Perhaps it's knowing the right people, saying the right things or simply being at the right place at the right time. It's none of the above. While a variety of factors form our abilities and influence the events in our lives, there is only one thing that creates genuine success: character. Character is a unique set of moral and ethical qualities that define what you believe in, what you stand for, and what you expect of yourself and others. London asserts that how you act on these qualities -- your statement of character -- will determine how far you will go; whether you will succeed or fail. Success is also distinctively defined as acting with honesty and integrity, performing to the best of your ability, and appreciating the people who helped you achieve your goals. Character : the ultimate success factor demonstrates how character -- expressed through attitude, action, and resilience -- drives success. Just some of the simple and tangible lessons covered by London include: assessing your attitude; aligning yourself with the right people and organizations; envisioning goals; identifying opportunities; embracing change; speaking up; making decisions; accepting risk; overcoming fear; creating momentum. Based on the personal, corporate and military experiences of Dr. J. Phillip London, a successful defense industry executive, as well as many other real-life examples, this book presents the time-tested lessons behind character-driven success"--Dust jacket.

Legionnaires Book One

Proceedings of National Convention of the American Legion

This story is about a man who had his feelings bottled up for way too long. Not able to tell his family why he did the things he did and not able to recoup the lost years away from the people who he loved. In the Mexican-American community, you never show your sadness, your pain, or weakness. As an act of pride, you always keep all your emotions to yourself like as if nothing is wrong. Showing everyone that you're not suffering and everything is fine is strength. I couldn't do that anymore; it was tearing me up from within. I felt that by writing my story, I was finally explaining and apologizing at the same time to my family for leaving so long ago and why I tend to stick to myself in the present. Writing my story has been a form of therapy for me, if you will, a way to release all those negative feelings that have been inside my head for some time now. It feels like coming up out of the water and taking a big gulp of air after being under for so long, and I can breathe again now. My life has been harder than most but easier than a lot of people. I thank God for guiding me and protecting me through my journey. But I still wouldn't change any part of what happened back then because it wouldn't have brought me here. I have no regrets.

The Reservist

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Told here for the first time in English is the story of the French Foreign Legion and the part they played in the colonial campaigns in Tonkin in Indochina between the years 1883 and 1945. The book weaves the complexities of the initial colonization campaigns of the late 19th century, the battles against the Black Flags and Chinese before moving into the early 20th century which saw the legion involved in actions against pirates, rebels, nationalists and communists. The book goes on to cover the daily life for the Legionnaires as well as their restructuring and enlargement. Also, covered are the building works undertaken by the Legionnaires including roads, summer stations and barracks. The 1941 war with Thailand and the Lang Son incident are told in great detail as is the Japanese coup in March 1945, the subsequent battles involved which virtually destroyed the 5th Regiment and finally their retreat into China. Packed with over 70 unpublished photographs.

Life in the French Foreign Legion

Legion

Rokk Krinn of Braal. Imra Ardeen of Titan. Garth Ranzz of Winath. Three teenagers who, despite being complete strangers from member worlds within the fledgling Federation of United Planets, pool together their unique powers and abilities to thwart an assassination attempt against R.J. Brande, one of the cosmos' wealthiest sentients. Seeing an opportunity to reshape the 30th Century and truly unify the

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struggling United Planets, a grateful Brande encourages his young rescuers to form the core of an interplanetary protection force—a group of young de-facto ambassadors from U.P. home worlds... ..A legion of superheroes. Realizing Brande's vision won't be easy. The newly christened Legion is beset by an interfering U.P. government and uncooperative law enforcement, faced with growing cultural bigotry and xenophobia, and opposed by powerful enemies who represent grave threats to the galaxy. So begins the adolescent adventures of the 30th Century's greatest heroes, written by the critically acclaimed Mark Waid (THE FLASH), Tom McCraw (AQUAMAN) and Tom Peyer (BATMAN '66), and masterfully illustrated by Lee Moder (STARS AND S.T.R.I.P.E.), Jeffrey Moy (STAR TREK/LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES) and many others. Collects LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES #0, #62-68, and LEGIONNAIRES #0, #19-24 with an introduction by Mark Waid himself!

Character

Previously published: New York: HarperCollins Publishers, 1991.

Voices of the Foreign Legion

Pádraig O'Keeffe joined the elite and secretive French Foreign Legion at the age of twenty, seeking a challenge that would absorb his interests and intensity. He served with the Legion in Cambodia and Bosnia, then returned to civilian life, but military habits would not allow him to settle. His need for

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intense excitement and extreme danger drove him back to the lifestyle he knew and loved, and using his Legion training, he became a 'hidden soldier' by opting for security missions in Iraq and Haiti. In Iraq he was the sole survivor of an ambush in no man's land between Abu Ghraib and Fallujah, the most dangerous place on earth. An intense, exciting and vivid account of extraordinary and sometimes horrific events, Hidden Soldier lifts the veil on the dark and shadowy world of security contractors and what the situation is really like in Iraq as well as other trouble spots. This bestseller also includes photographs taken by Pdraig O'Keeffe while he was a Legionnaire and when he was in Iraq.

The American Legion Weekly

Appel: A Canadian in the French Foreign Legion is the first-hand account of the author's six years as a professional soldier during the 1990s, and his experience in the Legion's elite Groupe des Commandos Parachutistes (GCP). Joel Struthers recounts the dangers and demands of military life, from the rigours of recruitment and operational training in the rugged mountains of France, to face-to-face combat in the grasslands of some of Africa's most troubled nations. Told through the eyes of a soldier, and interspersed with humorous anecdotes, Appel is a fascinating story that debunks myths about the French Foreign Legion and shows it more accurately as a professional arm of the French military. Struthers provides insight into the rigorous discipline that the Legion instills in its young recruits,

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- who trade their identities as individuals for a life of adventure and a role in a unified fighting force whose motto is "Honour and Loyalty." Foreword by Col. Benoit Desmeulles, former commanding officer of the Legions 2e Régiment Étranger Parachutistes.

Legion of Super-Heroes (1989-2000) #5

"A pleasure to read and nearly impossible to put down." -Army Times "Embodies an experience that many have enjoyed in fantasy-few in reality." -The

Washington Post The French Foreign

Legion-mysterious, romantic, deadly-is filled with men of dubious character, and hardly the place for a proper Englishman just nineteen years of age. Yet in 1960, Simon Murray traveled alone to Paris, Marseilles, and ultimately Algeria to fulfill the toughest contract of his life: a five-year stint in the Legion. Along the way, he kept a diary. Legionnaire is a compelling, firsthand account of Murray's experience with this legendary band of soldiers. This gripping journal offers stark evidence that the Legion's reputation for pushing men to their breaking points and beyond is well deserved. In the fierce, sun-baked North African desert, strong men cracked under brutal officers, merciless training methods, and barbarous punishments. Yet Murray survived, even thrived. For he shared one trait with these hard men from all nations and backgrounds: a determination never to surrender. "The drama, excitement, and color of a good guts-and-glory thriller." -Dr. Henry Kissinger From the Paperback edition.

My Twenty-Five Years in Provence

The Making of a Legionnaire

An examination of the AIDS crisis exposes the federal government for its inaction, health authorities for their greed, and scientists for their desire for prestige in the face of the AIDS pandemic.

Ghost Legion

"A comprehensive look at the history of the 30th century's greatest super-hero team! Beginning with their early days in Adventure Comics, it features in-depth interviews with the people responsible for the Legion, including silver age greats Al Plastino, Jim Mooney, and Jim Shooter, plus newer creators like Dave Cockrum, Mike Grell, Jim Starlin, Jim Sherman, Paul Levitz, Keith Giffen, Steve Lightle, Mark Waid, and many more."--back cover.

The French Foreign Legion

Two brothers--Chuck and Tom Hagel--who went to war in Vietnam, fought in the same unit, and saved each other's life. They disagreed about the war, but they fought it together. 1968. America was divided. Flag-draped caskets came home by the thousands. Riots ravaged our cities. Assassins shot our political leaders. Black fought white, young fought old, fathers fought sons. And it was the year that two brothers from Nebraska went to war. In Vietnam, Chuck and

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Tom Hagel served side by side in the same rifle platoon. Together they fought in the Mekong Delta, battled snipers in Saigon, chased the enemy through the jungle, and each saved the other's life under fire. But when their one-year tour was over, these two brothers came home side-by-side but no longer in step--one supporting the war, the other hating it. Former Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel and his brother Tom epitomized the best, and withstood the worst, of the most tumultuous, shocking, and consequential year in the last half-century. Following the brothers' paths from the prairie heartland through a war on the far side of the world and back to a divided America, *Our Year of War* tells the story of two brothers at war--a gritty, poignant, and resonant story of a family and a nation divided yet still united.

Diary of a Legionnaire

A soldier's true story of danger and adventure as a modern-day legionnaire in Kuwait, Bosnia, and beyond. With no French language ability, Alex Lochrie approached recruiters for the French Foreign Legion in Paris and embarked on the demanding selection process that followed. When he was accepted, he and other prospective legionnaires were sent to Southern France to begin the harsh recruit training course. The mix of nationalities and backgrounds among his fellows was enormous. New members are traditionally allowed to change their identities—and Lochrie chose to alter his age, becoming twenty-eight instead of thirty-eight. Elite paratrooper training followed in Corsica before Lochrie earned his wings. The FFL is

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never far from the front line, and in this book he tells of challenging active service in former French colonies in Africa as well as during the first Gulf War, evicting Saddam Hussein from Kuwait, and operations in Bosnia and Sarajevo. This gripping account lifts the veil of mystery and myth, pulling you into the action—and revealing much about the realities of service in the Foreign Legion.

Marching with the Devil

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The Legionnaire

The French Foreign Legion has built a reputation as one of the world's most formidable and colorful military institutions. Established as a means of absorbing foreign troublemakers, the Legion spearheaded French colonialism in North Africa during the nineteenth century. Accepting volunteers from all parts of the world, the Legion acquired an aura of mystery and a less-than-enviable reputation for extreme brutality within its ranks. *Voices of the Foreign Legion* explores how the Legion selects its recruits, their native lands, and why these warriors seek a life full of hardship and danger. It analyzes the Legion's brutal attitude toward discipline, questions why desertion has been a perennial problem, and assesses the Legion's remarkable military achievements since its formation in the year 1831. This is the real story of the Legion, featuring firsthand accounts from the men who have fought in its ranks. Its scope ranges from the conquest of the colonies in Africa and the Far East through the horrors of the two world wars, to the bitter, but ultimately hopeless, battle to maintain France's far-flung imperial possessions. The story is brought fully up-to-date with accounts and anecdotes from those contemporary foreign legionnaires who continue to fight for French interests around the globe. Skyhorse Publishing, as well as our Arcade imprint, are proud to publish a broad range of books for readers interested in history--books about World War II, the Third Reich, Hitler and his henchmen, the JFK assassination, conspiracies, the American Civil War, the American

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And The Band Played on

Legionnaires' disease, a pneumonia caused by the Legionella bacterium, is the leading cause of reported waterborne disease outbreaks in the United States. Legionella occur naturally in water from many different environmental sources, but grow rapidly in the warm, stagnant conditions that can be found in engineered water systems such as cooling towers, building plumbing, and hot tubs. Humans are primarily exposed to Legionella through inhalation of contaminated aerosols into the respiratory system. Legionnaires' disease can be fatal, with between 3 and 33 percent of Legionella infections leading to death, and studies show the incidence of Legionnaires' disease in the United States increased five-fold from 2000 to 2017. Management of Legionella in Water Systems reviews the state of science on Legionella contamination of water systems, specifically the ecology and diagnosis. This report explores the process of transmission via water systems, quantification, prevention and control, and policy and training issues that affect the incidence of Legionnaires' disease. It also analyzes existing knowledge gaps and recommends research priorities

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moving forward.

Hidden Soldier

` Since its creation in 1831, the French Foreign Legion has become the stuff of myth, fiction and dreams. Anyone thinking of joining up would be well advised to read this book first? - The Sun Herald. A real-life boy's own adventure, *Marching With The Devil* is an account of David Mason's five years in the infamous French Foreign Legion. David Mason graduated from the Australian National University with a law degree and an honours degree. Like those around him, he could easily have settled for a life of share portfolios, good suits, new cars and big houses. But David wanted more ? he wanted a challenge, an adventure, something beyond the ordinary that would test him physically and mentally. He looked around to see what he could do. Working in an open-cut mine . . . done that. Running a marathon . . . hmm, not hard enough. Climbing Everest . . . maybe? Joining the French Foreign Legion . . . perfect! *Marching With The Devil* is the gripping true story of what happened when an Australian lawyer left his comfortable existence and joined the legendary French Foreign Legion. He stayed for five years and served time in the elite Parachute Regiments. With the motto 'March or Die', the legion has a history of pain, grief and glory. David Mason takes us behind the myth to reveal exactly what happens: the adventure, the danger, the drinking, the fighting and the lies that sustain the legend. fore the final choice must be made. ` Remarkable. It's hard not to think it a shame

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that a man of such obvious gifts should have wasted them on the legion, just so as not to have to feel like a quitter, even if this book was the result? - The Age
`Marching with the Devil quickly turns into an insightful and honest account of an unpretentious Aussie's experiences in one of the most ramshackle and soul-destroying military organisations on Earth? - Courier Mail
`A strangely compulsive read about one man's quest for self knowledge? - Men's Health Magazine
`Mason left a comfortable life in Australia to test himself in the crucible of the legion, and he writes about it 20 years after his service time necessary to give himself the distance and context he needed to write about an extraordinary and painful experience? - Sunday Mail Brisbane

Our Year of War

The French Foreign Legion is an extraordinary and unique army, specifically created for foreign nationals wishing to serve in the French Armed Forces, but commanded by French officers. For nearly two centuries, adventure seekers or men on the run from all around the globe have found a home in the Foreign Legion and shed blood for France. In this book, author Douglas Boyd has been given unrivalled access to the Legion to tell its story from its inception in the 1830s, when it was primarily used to protect and expand the French colonial empire during the nineteenth century, but it has also fought in almost all French wars including the Franco-Prussian War and both World Wars. The Legion is today known as an elite military unit whose training focuses not only on traditional

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military skills, but also on its strong esprit de corps.

Legionnaire

They promised him one weekend a month. The House or Reason swore the 9th would never leave their gentle homeworld. But after Kublar, things changed for Sergeant Fetch and the Caledonian Reserve Legion Corps. Thrown into a meat grinder conflict in a desperate bid to hold the line, it doesn't matter whether you're reserve or active, only that you kill and survive. A searing tale of combat and honor at any price from a wounded veteran of the War in Iraq who fought to keep the MSRs open from Mosul to Tikrit.

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