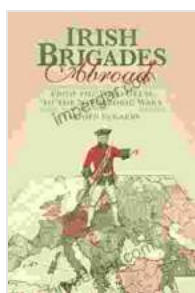


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Irish Brigades Abroad: From the Wild Geese to the Napoleonic Wars by Stephen McGarry

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For centuries, Irish soldiers have served with distinction in foreign armies around the world. From the Wild Geese who fought for France in the 17th and 18th centuries to the Irish Brigade that fought for Napoleon Bonaparte in the Napoleonic Wars, Irish soldiers have left an enduring legacy of bravery and sacrifice.

In this comprehensive military history, author John Regan explores the motivations of these soldiers, their experiences in combat, and their impact on the course of history. Regan draws on a wide range of sources, including firsthand accounts, regimental histories, and official documents, to provide a detailed and nuanced account of the Irish military experience abroad.

From The Wild Geese To The Napoleonic Wars is a fascinating and informative read for anyone interested in Irish history, military history, or the history of warfare. Regan's engaging writing style and meticulous research make this book a valuable addition to the literature on the subject.

The Wild Geese

The term "Wild Geese" refers to the Irish soldiers who fled Ireland after the defeat of the Jacobite rebellion in 1691. These soldiers, who were mostly Catholic, were forced to leave their homeland because of their religious beliefs and their support for the deposed Stuart dynasty.

The Wild Geese found refuge in a number of countries, including France, Spain, and Austria. They quickly established themselves as some of the most skilled and experienced soldiers in Europe. The Wild Geese fought in a number of wars, including the War of the Spanish Succession, the War of the Austrian Succession, and the Seven Years' War.

The Wild Geese played a significant role in the history of Ireland and Europe. Their military service helped to keep the cause of Irish independence alive, and their battlefield exploits earned them a reputation for bravery and skill.

The Irish Brigade

The Irish Brigade was a unit of the French army that was formed in 1690. The brigade was made up of Irish soldiers who had fled Ireland after the defeat of the Jacobite rebellion. The Irish Brigade fought in a number of wars, including the War of the Spanish Succession, the War of the Austrian Succession, and the Seven Years' War.

The Irish Brigade was one of the most famous and successful military units in the French army. The brigade's soldiers were known for their bravery, skill, and discipline. The Irish Brigade also played a significant role in the history of Ireland and France. Their military service helped to keep the cause of Irish independence alive, and their battlefield exploits earned them a reputation for bravery and skill.

The Napoleonic Wars

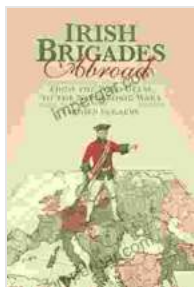
The Napoleonic Wars were a series of conflicts that took place in Europe from 1803 to 1815. The wars were fought between France and a coalition of European powers, including Great Britain, Austria, Russia, and Prussia.

The Napoleonic Wars were some of the most bloody and destructive wars in history. Millions of people were killed, and entire countries were devastated. The wars also had a profound impact on the political and social landscape of Europe.

Irish soldiers played a significant role in the Napoleonic Wars. They fought on both sides of the conflict, and they distinguished themselves in a number of battles. The Irish Brigade, which fought for France, was one of the most famous and successful military units in the French army.

The Napoleonic Wars were a turning point in the history of Ireland. The wars helped to raise the consciousness of Irish nationalism, and they played a role in the eventual independence of Ireland.

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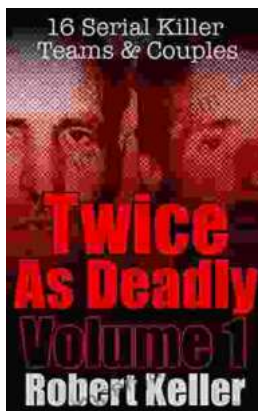
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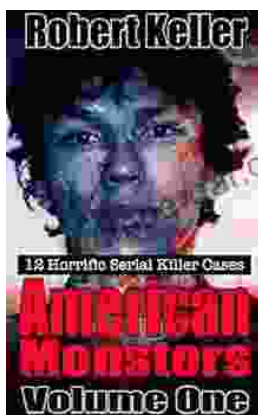
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