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The part played in the Civil War (1861-1865) by the small Marine Corps of the United and Confederate States is overshadowed by the confrontations of the great armies. Nevertheless, the coastal and riverine campaigns were of real importance, given the strategic significance of the Federal blockade of southern ports, and of the struggle for the Mississippi River. Marines wearing blue and grey fought in many dramatic actions afloat and ashore – ship-to-ship engagements, cutting-out expeditions, and coastal landings. This book offers a comprehensive summary of all such battles, illustrated with rare early photographs, and meticulously researched color plates detailing the often obscure minutiae of Marine uniforms and equipment.

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I am a Marine so it is great to read history.

HAD THE REFERENCE I NEEDED

American Civil War Marines 1861-65 by Ron Field contains a lot of great information and lots of photographs and paintings that have aided me in constructing my United States Marine Corps impression for my reenacting club.

Enjoyed it

This is a great little book. It gives a quick and to the point history on U.S. and CONFEDERATE Marines too!! This is a good piece of work for anyone. I re-enact as a Marine and I use it alot. Earlier copies of this book says yellow stripes turn up black which is incorrect. CS Marines had black stripes and US had yellow. For more go to: [...]

I purchased this book as background research for my series of novels about the Marines in the Civil War (The Forgotten Marines). I am very pleased with the content.

Just a nice little book on the uniforms worn by the Marines both North and South. This book will show you some uniforms not thought to much about in the modern reenactment arena. It is not just about blue and gray.

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