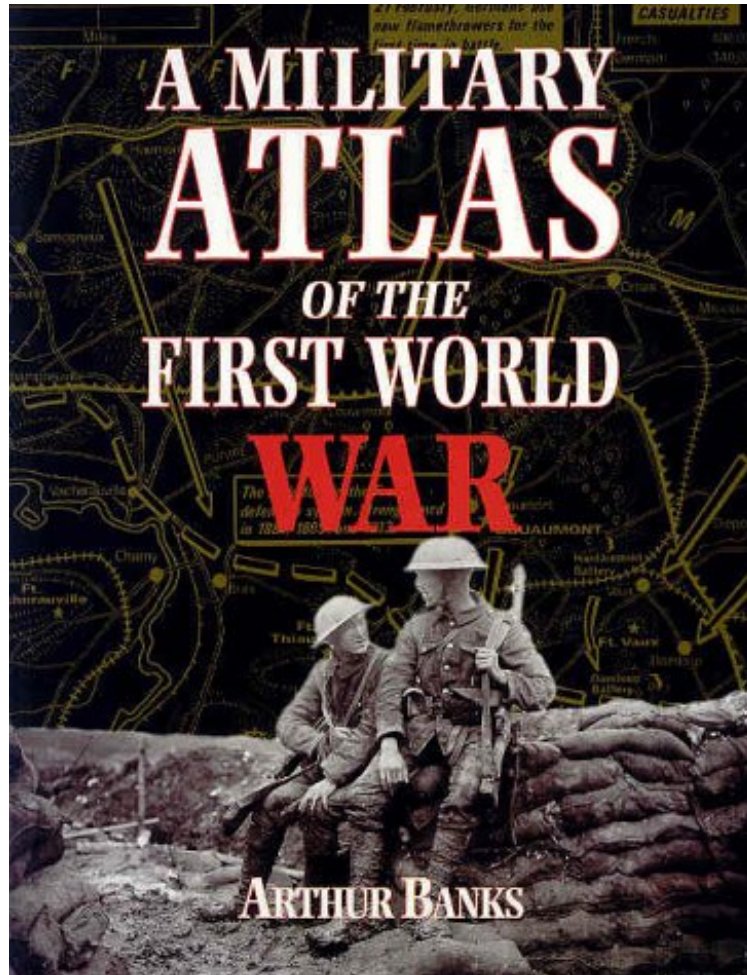


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Arthur Banks : A Military Atlas of the First World War before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised A Military Atlas of the First World War:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. The content is quite good. HoweverBy John RThe content is quite good. However, I ordered AND returned two (2) paper paperback versions due to highly defective bindings - pages began to come out upon first use. So, a -1 star for quality of the paperback version.I settled on the kindle version. Not what I really wanted, but it works OK.As always, return policy, and ease is "Golden". Thanks!0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Battle by BattleBy chauvesourisThe rating is mid only because I bought this hoping, desperately hoping, for a good atlas to cover the world as it was before/during/after WWI. This seems to be a true military atlas for those who want a dry 'drawing' of so many of the battles of that horror. So - for those who understand what they'll get - great. For those who just want to understand how the world looked at that time - no.5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Military Atlas of the First World WarBy Liu Bei USAExcellent atlas, little text

and lots of maps, so is a reference work. I used it as a supplement when reading a general history of the Western Front. Maps grouped by year for Eastern and Western fronts; separate sections for other theaters of war and for naval battles. Also has diagrams and illustrations of forts, military hardware, planes, ships and tanks. Includes subject index and military forces index by country. A must-have to see the war geographically

A comprehensive atlas based on the Arthur Banks atlas first published in 1975. The maps in the original were all painstakingly hand-drawn in black and white, covering every aspect of the first truly global war. This book takes the information laid down by Banks and reinterprets it in full color, computer modeled cartography. The book covers the main reasons why the major powers entered the conflict, the individual battles fought along the Western Front as well as in depth coverage of the war in the east of Europe. The War at sea is mapped in great detail, including the clashes at Dogger Bank and Jutland as well as the German submarine campaigns and the first major sea borne landing at Gallipoli. The First World War saw the first extensive use of air power, maps show the routes taken by the German Zeppelin raids on eastern England as well as the Allied strategic bombing effort at the end of the war. In Arthur Banks own words: I hope that the book will be a convenient reference work which deals with those areas where a more detailed examination in cartographical terms has long been demanded.

This is a unique study of the conflict of 1914-18 on land, sea and in the air, through maps, diagrams and illustrations. The book corrects many long established errors and misconceptions. ' This book, although humbly titled "military atlas" provides all the necessary information on the first WW, from the motivations and politics, to weapon types, warfare tactics, railroad systems not only in Europe, but on all the peripheral campaigns as well and by the way, you get the most comprehensive maps on the prelude to the Balkan wars as well. The maps themselves are in black and white, but perfectly presented, with clear, sharp contrasts, so that it's very easy to read them even if you're without military background. The book succeeds in being the ideal starting point for anyone being even remotely interested in WW1. Every map is accompanied by a short summary of what's going on, most of the times even in the maps themselves which makes the information very easy to consume. The real value of the book lies in the fact that it presents the actions and campaigns and politics without judging them, without being biased in any sort of way, may it be the old good vs. bad stereotype or the modern pacifistic viewpoint: It just provides information and what you do with it is up to you. Highly recommended. --David Kirk
This book is a very useful reference book, and is packed with information on all aspects of the war, not just the main fighting fronts. For example, it has maps of the German zeppelin raids over the UK. However, its big weakness is that the maps do not have height/contour and other topographic information, which is a major problem for tactical studies. Anthony Livesey's atlas is better in this regard since its maps are in colour and are topographic, however it is weaker than Banks when looking at events outside the battle zones. They complement each other well. --By BCMH member
This book is an essential companion for every First World War scholar or simply interested reader. The maps accurately illustrate the developing of operations on land and sea (including some on the submarine and mine warfare). The air war is very well illustrated as far as the zeppelin operations are concerned; I would have liked also a detailed account of bombers-fighters operations on the various fronts. Maps for the African, Italian, Palestinian, Macedonian and Mesopotamian fronts are included, together with those relating to the Western and Eastern theaters. I have found the tables on the various weapons very useful and complete. As an Italian reader I have to confess that I found the maps about the Italian front rather sketchy. Even with this little (and ultimately not much important) flaw, this is a great book, providing the reader with a definitive guide on the Great War fronts and warfare. Read it together with B. Liddel Hart's or J. Keegan's books on the conflict and you will have a reasonably complete understanding of WWI from the military point of view. --By Simone BONECHIA
About the Author
This Atlas is very useful to understand some (or all) facts about the first world war. The only thing to say is: It's all in black and white. I like colors... But for this price is an excellent investment. I recommend!!!
Sorry about my bad English, I'm from Brazil.