

# The Illustrated Encyclopedia Of Guns By Will Fowler

An illustrated history of hand guns from the sixteenth century to the present day.

A comprehensive illustrated encyclopedia of 500 arms from the different countries of the world, organized according to country of manufacture and featuring key specifications for each gun of caliber, magazine capacity, barrel length and unloaded weight.

The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Handguns presents an outstanding one-volume reference tool for all who study or use handguns. Alexander Zhuk's meticulous constant scale line drawings are unmatched in modern-day gun literature. Drawn directly from the guns themselves wherever possible, they combine accurately observed outlines with an unerring sense of solidity.

A detailed reference guide to the weapons of World War I, with evocative color and black and white photographs.

A visual historical reference to over 500 military, law enforcement and antique firearms from around the world with a fascinating history of small arms from the 14th century to the present day, comprehensive directories of small arms, full technical specifications and is illustrated with more than 550 photographs and artworks. This book features world's most important small guns from the medieval hand cannon and the matchlock handgun to the Luger P08 and today's FN P90 as well as famous small arms including the Colt .45, the Browning High-Power M1935, the Lanchester and the MP38

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submachine gun. Included are specially commissioned color photographs and artworks, including cutaway diagrams to show internal components and gun operation. This complete guide is expertly written by leading professionals in their field.

This third installment in the popular series of practical books about guns and shooting is aimed at women of all ages—the fastest-growing segment of the sport—and it couldn't come at a better time. America and firearms literally grew up together, but today guns are often simply linked to crime and violence; gun control has become a polarizing political issue; and misinformation about firearms is spreading. Now three experts have tackled the subject in a series of books that explores the realities of guns and shooting and sets the record straight about some common misconceptions. On the heels of *The Gun Book for Boys* and *The Gun Book for Parents*, *The Gun Book for Girls* is for girls (and women) interested in guns and shooting but who have little or no background in firearms. Through example and anecdote, the book emphasizes safety and proper usage, and it defines terms and provides hands-on advice about using and maintaining guns. It also covers firearms, shooting methods, clothing and accessories for women, profiles females who shoot and who work in the gun trade, and discusses the issues around guns for self-defense (a topic of special interest to women). Like the other two titles, this book is non-political and written in an easy-to-understand conversational tone. Each book is thoroughly illustrated, and content is presented in easily managed portions that can be read in series or singly, all backed

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up with an index.

Packed with information on everything from the AK-47 to the L115A3 Sniper Rifle, Modern Small Arms offers insight into the advances in weaponry over the past century. It includes 300 widely used pistols, rifles, submachine guns, and machine guns, arranged by type. Each entry features full-color art, a summary of the weapon's development and service history, and a specifications table with country of origin and full technical details.

Watch a 700-year history unfold, from the medieval "hand-gonne" to today's technologically advanced assault weapons. Discover how gun design influenced warfare, from the 15th century when the arquebus defeated swordsmen, to the 20th century when the submachinegun gave the military vastly increased firepower. *Guns: A Visual History* shows in unique visual detail on how gun design evolved. It features more than 300 iconic examples, including the military AK-47 assault rifle and the pistol used by many police forces - the Glock 17. Each weapon is shown in close up with details of its design, barrel, calibre, and firepower. This comprehensive volume also features sporting guns, anti-tank weaponry and concealed assassin spy guns, such as the umbrella gun that killed Georgi Markov in 1978. It takes you inside iconic firearm firms such as Biretta, Colt and Lee Enfield, and tells stories of infamous sharpshooters from Dick Turpin to Al Capone. Whether you collect firearms or enjoy field sports and military history, *Guns: A Visual History* is an unmissable reference title.

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Bite the bullet and read this book! From primitive polearms to futuristic machine guns, small arms pack big power. An American symbol of freedom, it is nearly impossible to resist the allure of these feats of mechanical genius. Almost as amazing as their power is their variety: slings and maces, pistols from wheel locks to flintlocks to today's semiautomatics, Colt revolvers, Remington and Winchester rifles, weapons of espionage, and many more. The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Small Arms details more than 1,000 weapons, complete with full-color photographs. Featuring arms from around the world and across history, this stunning guide highlights the intricacies that make each variety unique, tying in historical anecdotes as well as the history of certain brands. Whether reading about the inspiration for Samuel L. Colt's revolvers, or the lozenge-case gun used by Italian spies during World War II, arms enthusiasts will delight in the details. Even better are the photographs, many of which are published here for the first time. A companion to the best-selling Illustrated Encyclopedia of Weaponry, The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Small Arms is an excellent resource for gun collectors and admirers alike.

Written by a technical expert who has fired many of the guns featured, this book includes wide and varied assemblage of weapons from each of the world's major manufacturing countries. The Illustrated Directory series provide readers with a fully illustrated, comprehensive reference book packed with timelines, historical facts, and images designed to inform and excite. At 512 pages packed with information and photographs, this book is a necessary addition to any enthusiast's library. Complete with full specification table with each entry including type, origin, caliber, and size, The Illustrated Directory of Guns is the most ambitious and lavishly illustrated history of guns for the collector and enthusiast. It shows in clear, detailed photographs and text

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over 1500 guns with separate sections on Pistols, Revolvers, Rifles, Shotguns (military and sporting), Machine Guns, and Submachine guns. A few featured include: Remington Smith & Wesson Winchester Glock Vickers Mauser Browning Colt Beretta And more Organized A-Z by country and gunmaker's name, the book clearly shows the different types of gun which the world has used to hunt, wage war, break and defend its laws, hone its sharpshooting skills, and fire purely for the fun of it. The book also features an introduction on each section, which gives a brief history of the development of that particular kind of firearm.

First English publication of all four of Sekien's masterworks: The Illustrated Demons' Night Parade, More Illustrated Demons from Past and Present, Even More Demons from Past and Present, and An Idle Horde of Things.

A beautifully illustrated set of encyclopedias covering pistols, revolvers, machine and submachine guns through history. Max is used to being called Stupid. And he is used to everyone being scared of him. On account of his size and looking like his dad. Kevin is used to being called Dwarf. On account of his size and being some cripple kid. But greatness comes in all sizes, and together Max and Kevin become Freak The Mighty and walk high above the world. An inspiring, heartbreaking, multi-award winning international bestseller.

A complete history of hand and shoulder weapons ; all the great military and sporting guns ; A-Z directory of 750 makes and makers ; technical glossary and charts ; about 500 reference illustrations.

This new edition of Ian Hogg's classic is this century's ultimate reference work on the subject of military small arms. It has been fully updated and expanded (by 64 pages) to cover all small arms in military service during the 20th century and now includes many arms listings and photographs that

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did not appear in earlier editions. Recognized internationally as the leading authority on military small arms, author Ian Hogg was given free rein on this edition; he has delivered the ultimate reference edition for all interested in the history of these arms. Arms coverage includes: Pistols Submachine Guns Bolt-Action Rifles Automatic Rifles Machine Guns Anti-Tank/Materiel Rifles Ammunition

Features multiple entries on weapons divided into four segments and is further subdivided into types of pistols, submachine guns, rifles, mortars, antitank weapons, rocket artillery and many others. Each entry contains photographs of the weapon as well as its history and background and detailed illustrations demonstrating its action.

A complete look at weapons--from the Stone Age to the Bronze Age, from spears to swords. When did hunting weapons begin to be used against humans instead of animals? What is the difference between the Plains Indian War Club and the Fijian War Club? What weapon is common to peoples in every part of the world? The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Weaponry is a comprehensive guide to arms and armaments throughout history. Beginning in the Stone Age, The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Weaponry travels through the Bronze Age to our present day, showing the tools humans have used to defend themselves all around the globe. There's the Japanese tanto, or dagger, which have become identified with gangs known as yakuza. There's the flaming arrow used when Swiss and Austrian forces clashed in the 14th century. And there's the revolver that Samuel Colt made practical for both military and civilian use in Hartford, Connecticut. The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Weaponry will help readers better understand how--and why--the battles of history were fought.

Profiles and provides photographs of over three hundred land, air, and naval weapons used in World War I, including

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armoured vehicles, rifles, airships, battleships, and submarines.

Addressing its technical evolution as well as its military and social impact, this comprehensive reference shows how historic leaders such as Dionysus of Syracuse, the Ottoman sultan Mohammad II, Oliver Cromwell, and Napoleon Bonaparte were successful in battle because of their innovative use of artillery. • Includes case studies of the wars of Louis XIV, the Napoleonic Wars, the American Civil War, and the Franco-Prussian War illustrating the impact of specific technical and strategic innovations in artillery •

Dozens of photographs and illustrations show various types of artillery, artillery mechanisms, and projectiles

This significant tome, with over 1500 photographs, covers the subject of portable firearms from muzzle-loaders to machine guns; from revolvers to machine pistols; from muskets to automatics; from derringers to submachineguns. Compiled by experts whose hands-on knowledge and skill comes over in text and captions, The Illustrated History of Firearms provides a visual reference book to grace any aficionado's library.

Guide to important firearms from the medieval period to the present day. Contains directories of arms from many parts of the world and features key specifications for each weapon, including caliber, magazine capacity, barrel length and unloaded weight.

Showcasing more than 1,700 firearms in full color! From the earliest hand cannons dating back to 1350, to the finest sporting rifles of the 21st Century, this 2nd edition of The Illustrated History of Firearms covers them all. Spectacular, full-color photos of more than 1,700 guns with detailed captions walk readers through the background and development of virtually every type of firearm ever created, and the people who influenced their use and designs. More than a reference book, The Illustrated History of Firearms

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brings context to the role firearms have played in shaping world events while also charting the development of today's guns for self-defense, competition, recreation and hunting. Painstakingly researched by expert curators at the NRA National Firearms Museum in Fairfax, Virginia, this 320-page, hardbound work of art is as educational as it is beautiful. Whether you're an avid gun collector or shooter, a history buff, or simply want to better understand the seemingly countless types of firearms in today's world, this book is a must-have.

For the first time in paperback, a photographic history of civilization, as seen through the world's most deadly and fascinating firearms. The Illustrated History of Guns is a comprehensive look at the tools of battle. To craft this book, more than five hundred photographs of genuine specimens were specially commissioned from the six-thousand-piece collection of the Berman Museum of World History. The weapons featured span a period of close to four thousand years, ranging from Ancient Greece to World War II, and from the Crusades in Europe to the US Civil War. It features a wide array of diverse treasures, including the traveling pistols of Confederate president Jefferson Davis, a royal Persian scimitar with 1,295 rose-cut diamonds and rubies, and a single 11-carat emerald set in gold, first owned by Shah Abbas I of Persia and given in tribute to Catherine the Great. The Illustrated History of Guns also offers information on weapons innovators, including Alexander Forsyth, Eliphalet Remington, Samuel Colt, Sergei Mosin, the Mauser brothers, Hiram Maxim, John Browning, Richard Gatling, John T. Thompson, John Garland, Feodor Tokarev, Oliver Winchester, and Mikhail Kalashnikov. With unparalleled historical perspective and background on persons significant to the development and advancements of weapons technology or military strategy, The Illustrated History of Guns

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belongs on the shelf of every history buff and firearms enthusiast.

Profiles more than one thousand gun models, including antiques, military weapons, and others, providing color photos, technical specifications, and details on their origins, performance, and use.

Offering a step by step guide through interesting gun facts and statistics, Gordon Rottman presents The Book of Gun Trivia. Covering a range of subjects, such as weapons designations, where rifles get their names from, the longest serving rifles and everything in between, this book brings together everything you ever needed to know about guns and ammunition and much more besides. Alongside the key facts and figures, Gordon Rottman also breaks apart popular myths and misconceptions about both weapons and ammunition, putting his years of military service to good use.

From the very first handguns of the fifteenth century to modern machine guns and rifles, Small Arms Visual Encyclopedia is a highly illustrated volume that examines all the significant small arms of the world, featuring more than 1000 of the world's handguns, assault rifles, shotguns, machine guns, and other more esoteric weapons. All the famous weapons of each type are featured, such as the M-16, Colt .44 Magnum and MG42. Each featured small arm is illustrated with an excellent full-color artwork, showing the weapon in great detail with full specifications tables that list country of origin, weights, dimensions and calibre (with all weights and measures provided in both metric and imperial). With more than 800 outstanding color artworks, Small Arms

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Visual Encyclopedia is a comprehensive and accessible reference work that will appeal to anyone with an interest in small arms.

For more than 70 years, Gun Digest has been the go-to source and research guide for firearms enthusiasts worldwide. Informative and entertaining articles by the top writers in the field cover hunting, personal defense, target practice, gun making, and collecting.

An unparalleled guide to the world's most important rifles and machine guns, from the Medieval period to the present day, lavishly illustrated with 600 colour photographs and illustrations

This encyclopedia is both a reference work and visual display, explaining the development of arms and showing the individual specifications of modern weapons. Grouped according to country of origin, each gun's features are listed, as are the military, political and technological context in which each gun was developed. Military, law enforcement, dueling, and other types of handguns are examined in a history of pistols and revolvers from all parts of the world

This fully illustrated encyclopedia provides an authoritative and clear guide to the complex world of the firearm of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries.

This book offers a history and directory of machine guns from the 19th century to the present day, shown in 220 photographs. It is a comprehensive directory of arms around the world, organized according to country of manufacture. It features key specifications for each weapon, including magazine capacity, barrel length and unloaded weight. It explores the fascinating history of

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machine guns, from the Gatling to the General-Purpose Machine Gun. The machine gun was developed in response to the search for a faster rate of fire, and once its potential had been realized, its evolution became a race of innovation. This authoritative volume reveals the remarkable history of the machine gun, and provides a country-by-country directory of 160 types. The features of each gun are listed, along with the military, political and technological context in which the weapon was developed. Details such as magazine capacity, barrel length and unloaded weight are included for every entry. This superbly illustrated guide is essential reading for all enthusiasts interested in gun manufacture and weapons of war.

The ultimate record of guns through the ages From rifles to sniper guns, machine guns to grenade launchers, a fully loaded guide to over 300 of the most important guns from the last 700 years. Discover revealing features on twenty 'key' guns from history, including the Musket, Gatling Gun and AK-47 assault rifle. Step inside famous gun maker factories, from Colt and Smith & Wesson to Beretta and discover how guns were - and still are - developed and produced. Meet famous gunslingers and legendary sharpshooters from Dick Turpin and Billy the Kid to James Bond, hear their stories and learn about the guns that made them famous. It's the ultimate visual history of guns.

An illustrated historical reference to 500 military, law enforcement and antique firearms from around the world. The world's most important small guns from the medieval hand-held cannon and the matchlock pistol to the Luger P-08 and today's FN P90. Includes a fascinating history of small arms from the 12th century to the present day, a comprehensive

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directory of small arms, full technical specifications, and illustrated with more than 550 photographs

The definitive visual guide to the history of firearms and guns

The Illustrated History of Firearms charts the evolution and history of the gun, from the pistol, flintlock musket and rifle to

the shotgun, machine gun and revolver. This book features over 300 firearms and guns spanning centuries of

development, with the world's most iconic gun brands such as Colt, Smith and Wesson, Maxim and the Kalashnikov AK-47

covered with amazing photographic features. You can

appreciate the incredible engineering behind guns through stunning visuals with close-up details of key weapons, from

the intricate inlaid shotgun to the modern army sniper rifle,

tracing the history of the gun from army flintlocks to modern

day military guns. If you are interested in military history and the history of weapons, The Illustrated History of Firearms is

ideal for you.

The Illustrated World Encyclopedia of Guns Pistols, Rifles, Revolvers, Machine and Submachine Guns Through History

in 1100 Clear Photographs Lorenz Books

A spectacular visual guide to the epic 4,000-year history of weaponry, created in association with the Smithsonian

Institution. Weapon: A Visual History of Arms and Armor tells this epic story of the entire spectrum of weaponry through

stunning photography and authoritative coverage, from the stone axes of the earliest warfare to the heavy artillery of

today's armies. Take a journey through the centuries, from the Viking sword to the Baker rifle to the AK-47, as you

explore the forms and functions of the greatest arms of all time, the warrior types that changed history, and the weapons

that changed the face of warfare. Richly detailed catalogs showcase many weapons at their actual size, outlining the

timeframe, weight, size, and country of origin to create a comprehensive profile of each. Now revised and updated to

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include brand-new content and expanded sections on cannons and modern guns, *Weapon: A Visual History of Arms and Armor* provides a stunning overview of the tools that have been at the cutting edge of history, determining the rise of kingdoms and the fall of empires.

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