

SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY

Chapter 3: The American Revolution, 1763-1783

Historians have written many fine surveys of the American Revolution, but among the best are Don Higginbotham, *The War of American Independence* (Macmillan, 1971); John R. Alden, *A History of the American Revolution* (Knopf, 1969); Robert Middlekauff, *The Glorious Cause* (Oxford University Press, 1982); and James Kirby Martin and Mark Edward Lender, *A Respectable Army: The Military Origins of the Republic* (Harlan Davidson, 1982). Piers Mackesy's *The War for America* (Harvard University Press, 1965) presents a British perspective, and Eric Robson's *The American Revolution in Its Political and Military Aspects* (Archon Books, 1965) emphasizes British problems in conducting the war. More recent surveys include Robert Leckie, *George Washington's War: The Saga of the American Revolution* (HarperCollins, 1992); Edward Countryman, *The American Revolution* (Hill and Wang, 1985); Colin Bonwick, *The American Revolution* (Palgrave MacMillan, 2005); and John Ferling, *Almost a Miracle: The American Victory in the War of Independence* (Oxford University Press, 2007). Several edited volumes contain important insights into the war: Stanley J. Underdal, ed., *Military History of the American Revolution: The Proceedings of the 6th Military History Symposium United States Air Force Academy* (Office of Air Force History, 1976); John Shy, *A People Numerous and Armed: Reflections on the Military Struggle for American Independence* (Oxford University Press, 1976); Don Higginbotham, ed., *Reconsiderations on the Revolutionary War: Selected Essays* (Greenwood, 1978); Ronald Hoffman and Peter J. Albert, eds., *Arms and Independence: The Military Character of the American Revolution* (University Press of Virginia, 1983); Jack P. Greene, ed., *The American Revolution: Its Character and Limits* (New York University Press, 1987); Don Higginbotham, *War and Society in Revolutionary America: The Wider Dimensions*

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Understanding Patriot motivation and the course of events leading up to the War for Independence is essential and John Phillip Reid's *The Concept of Liberty in the Age of the American Revolution* (University of Chicago Press, 1988) and Walter H. Conser, Jr., Ronald M. McCarthy, David J. Toscano, and Gene Sharp, eds., *Resistance, Politics, and the American Struggle for Independence, 1765-1775* (Lynne Rienner, 1986) are good starting points. John Phillip Reid's *The Concept of Liberty in the Age of the American Revolution* (University of Chicago Press, 1988) emphasizes the centrality of "liberty" in the Patriots' ideology.

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movement's evolution in *From Resistance to Revolution* (Knopf, 1972). Walter H. Conser, Jr., Ronald M. McCarthy, David J. Toscano, and Gene Sharp, eds., examine events during the crucial pre-Lexington decade in *Resistance, Politics, and the American Struggle for Independence, 1765-1775* (Lynne Rienner, 1986).

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M. Wallace, *Traitorous Hero: The Life and Fortunes of Benedict Arnold* (Harper & Brothers, 1954); Willard Sterne Randall, *Benedict Arnold: Patriot and Traitor* (William Morrow, 1990), which depicts America's most infamous traitor as a complicated man with many admirable qualities, but with an intense egotism that was his fatal flaw; and James Kirby Martin, *Benedict Arnold, Revolutionary Hero: An American Warrior Reconsidered* (New York University Press, 1997), a reassessment of Arnold that traces his treason to frustrations (insufficient accolades and pay) endured by most Continental officers. Theodore Thayer, *Nathanael Greene* (Twayne, 1960) and more recently, Terry Golway, *Washington's General: Nathanael Greene and the Triumph of the American Revolution* (Henry Holt, 2004), and Spencer Tucker, *Rise and Fight Again: The Life of Nathanael Greene* (Intercollegiate Studies Institute, 2009) nicely cover the career of one of Washington's most competent and effective officers. Other Continental Army officers that have found biographers include: Don Higginbotham, *Daniel Morgan* (University of North Carolina Press, 1961); Paul David Nelson, *Anthony Wayne: Soldier of the Early Republic* (Indiana University Press, 1985); Hal T. Shelton, *General Richard Montgomery and the American Revolution: From Redcoat to Rebel* (New York University Press, 1993); Don R. Gerlach, *Proud Patriot: Philip Schuyler and the War of Independence, 1775-1783* (Syracuse University Press, 1987); Harry M. Ward, *Major General Adam Stephen and the Cause of American Liberty* (University Press of Virginia, 1989) and *General William Maxwell and the New Jersey Continentals* (Greenwood Press, 1997); Willard Sterne Randall, *Ethan Allen: His Life and Times* (W.W. Norton, 2011); William Nester, *George Rogers Clark: "I Glory in War"* (University of Oklahoma Press, 2012); Mark Puls, *Henry Knox: Visionary General of the American Revolution* (Palgrave MacMillan, 2008); Charles E. Bennett and Donald R. Lennon, *A Quest for Glory: Major General Robert Howe and the American Revolution* (University of North

Carolina Press, 1991); Jim Piecuch and John Beakes, *Cool Deliberate Courage: John Eager Howard in the American Revolution* (Nautical & Aviation, 2009); and David B. Mattern, *Benjamin Lincoln and the American Revolution* (University of South Carolina Press, 1995). Although not strictly a biography, Charles Royster's *Light-Horse Harry Lee and the Legacy of the American Revolution* (Knopf, 1981) is superb and timeless.

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The two major armies in the war have also received much attention. Indispensable for understanding the Continental Army are Charles Royster, *A Revolutionary People at War: The Continental Army and American Character* (University of North Carolina Press, 1979). For more detailed information on the army, consult Robert K. Wright, Jr., *The Continental Army* (Government Printing Office, 1983). For Washington's mounted arm, see Jim Piecuch, ed., *Cavalry in the American Revolution* (Westholme, 2012). Charles Patrick Neimeyer, *America Goes to War: A Social History of the Continental Army* (New York University Press, 1996) examines soldier motivations and the composition of the ranks. Caroline Cox, *A Proper Sense of Honor: Service and Sacrifice in George Washington's Army* (University of North Carolina Press, 2007) examines the hierarchical social organization of the Continental Army and how it became an engine for social mobility. The influence of local and individual interests on why some

soldiers fought is explored in Gregory T. Knouff, *Soldiers' Revolution: Pennsylvanians in Arms and the Forging of Early American Identity* (Pennsylvania State University Press, 2003). Charles H. Lesser, ed., provides *The Sinews of Independence: Monthly Strength Reports of the Continental Army* (University of Chicago Press, 1976). Hugh F. Rankin's *The North Carolina Continentals* (University of North Carolina Press, 1971) is a solid study. For the story of how Washington's men were cared for by Washington's doctors, see Mary C. Gillett, *The Army Medical Department, 1775-1818* (Department of the Army, 2009). Harry M. Ward looks at *George Washington's Enforcers: Policing the Continental Army* (Southern Illinois University Press, 2009).

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Navy in American Waters, 1775-1783 (Gower Publishing, 1989). More topical studies include Jonathan Dull, *The French Navy and American Independence* (Princeton University Press, 1975); Nicholas Tracy, *Navies, Deterrence, and American Independence: Britain and Seapower in the 1760s and 1770s* (University of British Columbia Press, 1988); Eleanor S. Coleman, *Captain Gustavus Conyngham, U.S.N.: Pirate or Privateer, 1747-1819* (University Press of America, 1982); and Sheldon S. Cohen, *Commodore Abraham Whipple of the Continental Navy: Privateer, Patriot, Pioneer* (University Press of Florida, 2010). John Paul Jones has received his share of scholarly attention. The best remains Samuel Eliot Morison, *John Paul Jones* (Little, Brown, 1959) but Thomas J. Schaeper, *John Paul Jones and the Battle Off Flamborough Head: A Reconsideration* (Peter Long, 1989); Evan Thomas, *John Paul Jones: Sailor, Hero, Father of the American Navy* (Simon & Schuster, 2003); and Joseph Callo, *John Paul Jones: America's First Sea Warrior* (Naval Institute Press, 2006) are also useful.

Various minority groups in the American colonies were also swept into the war's vortex. Barbara Graymont discusses *The Iroquois and the American Revolution* (Syracuse University Press, 1972), and James H. O'Donnell III explains the role of *Southern Indians in the American Revolution* (University of Tennessee Press, 1973). Richard White, *The Middle Ground: Indians, Empires, and Republics in the Great Lake Region, 1650-1815* (Cambridge University Press, 1991), Alan Taylor, *The Divided Ground: Indians, Settlers, and the Northern Borderland of the American Revolution* (Knopf, 2006); and Colin G. Calloway, *The American Revolution in Indian Country: Crisis and Diversity in Native American Communities* (Cambridge University Press, 1995) depict the war's lasting impact in Indian country. Joseph T. Glatthaar and James Kirby Martin remember *Forgotten Allies: The Oneida Indians and the American Revolution* (Hill & Wang, 2006) while *The Dividing Paths: Cherokees and South Carolinians Through the Era of*

the Revolution (Oxford University Press, 1993) by M. Thomas Hatley examines southern Indian-colonial relations during that tense period. For titles focused on campaigns against Indians, see William R. Nester, *George Rogers Clark: "I Glory in War"* (University of Oklahoma Press, 2012); Max L. Mintz, *Seeds of Empire: The American Revolutionary Conquest of the Iroquois* (New York University Press, 1999); and Joseph R. Fischer, *A Well-Executed Failure: The Sullivan Campaign Against the Iroquois, July-September, 1779* (University of South Carolina Press, 1997).

Excellent starting points for African American wartime experiences are Benjamin Quarles' classic *The Negro in the American Revolution* (University of North Carolina Press, 1996 [1961]) and Sylvia R. Frey, *Water from the Rock: Black Resistance in a Revolutionary Age* (Princeton University Press, 1991). See also Alan Gilbert, *Black Patriots and Loyalists: Fighting for Emancipation in the War for Independence* (University of Chicago Press, 2012). Carol Berkin, *Revolutionary Mothers: Women in the Struggle for America's Independence* (Knopf, 2005) is the best general summary of this topic while Alfred F. Young, *Masquerade: The Life and Times of Deborah Sampson, Continental Soldier* (Knopf, 2004) reveals that not all women remained at home to fight the war. Other works that provide compelling insights into women and the war are Holly A. Mayer, *Belonging to the Army: Camp Follower and Community during the American Revolution* (University of South Carolina Press, 2009) and Nancy K. Loane, *Following the Drum: Women at the Valley Forge Encampment* (Potomac Books, 2009).

Books on major campaigns and battles of the War for Independence are plentiful and good. For an overall view, see W J. Wood, *Battles of the Revolutionary War, 1775-1781* (DeCapo, 2003 [1990]), presents ten studies ranging from famous battles such as Bunker Hill and Saratoga to lesser known engagements such as Oriskany and Cowpens. The war in the North

has attracted its share of attention. For the early engagements, see Thomas Desjardin, *Through a Howling Wilderness: Benedict Arnold's March to Quebec, 1775* (St. Martin's Griffin, 2007); Paul Lockhart, *The Whites of Their Eyes: Bunker Hill, the First America Army, and the Emergence of George Washington* (Harper, 2011) and *1776* (Simon & Schuster, 2005) by David McCullough, which is a highly-readable, popular account of that pivotal year of the war. See also John J. Gallagher, *The Battle of Brooklyn, 1776* (DeCapo, 1995) and Barnet Schecter, *The Battle of New York: The City at the Heart of the American Revolution* (Walker & Company, 2002). William M. Dwyer describes two of Washington's most famous battles in *The Day is Ours! November 1776-January 1777: An Inside View of the Battles of Trenton and Princeton* (Viking, 1983). David Hackett Fisher, *Washington's Crossing* (Oxford University Press, 2004) also provides a fascinating and well-written portrayal of the darkest hour of the Patriot cause and the improbable victories at Trenton and Princeton that turned it around. He also provides an excellent analysis of the low-intensity "Forage War" in the winter of 1777 that prevented the British from controlling the New Jersey countryside and procuring much-needed provisions for the upcoming spring campaign. The major British effort in 1777 is detailed in Stephen R. Taaffe, *The Philadelphia Campaign, 1777-1778* (University Press of Kansas, 2003). For a new look at the Continental Army's famous winter encampment that revises previously held interpretations, especially on the role of Baron von Steuben, see Wayne K. Bodle, *The Valley Forge Winter: Civilians and Soldiers in War* (Pennsylvania State University Press, 2002). John Buchanan, *The Road to Valley Forge: How Washington Built the Army That Won the Revolution* (Wiley, 2004) and Paul Lockhart, *The Drillmaster of Valley Forge: The Baron de Steuben and the Making of the American Army* (Smithsonian, 2008) show how that long, brutal winter of 1777-78 had a decided silver lining for the American cause. Another critical American victory in the North is

ably described in Richard M. Ketchum, *Saratoga: Turning Point in America's Revolutionary War* (Henry Holt, 1997) and John Luzader, *Saratoga: A Military History of the Decisive Campaign of the American Revolution* (Savas Beatie, 2008). Countering the argument that Saratoga was a pivotal event in the war is Theodore Corbett, *No Turning Point: The Saratoga Campaign in Perspective* (University of Oklahoma Press, 2012). Max M. Mintz examines both commanders at this battle in *The Generals of Saratoga: John Burgoyne and Horatio Gates* (Yale University Press, 1990).

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Guerrilla warfare in the American Revolution remains a topic of interest. *The Partisan War: The South Carolina Campaign of 1780-1782* (University of South Carolina Press, 1970) by

Russell F. Weigley describes the low intensity conflict in the South and Scott D. Aiken examines *The Swamp Fox: Lessons in Leadership from the Partisan Campaigns of Francis Marion* (Naval Institute Press, 2012). The low-intensity conflict in the North remains less studied, though the notable exception is Mark Kwasny, *Washington's Partisan War, 1775-1783* (Kent State University Press, 1998), which shows that though Washington often complained about unreliability of state militiamen, these units became invaluable assets operating against the British in Connecticut, New York, and New Jersey. In addition to the British, civilians on the homefront had to deal with roving bands of vicious criminals, an ordeal described by Harry M. Ward in *Between the Lines: Banditti of the American Revolution* (Praeger, 2002).

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After their joyous homecoming, former Continental soldiers also faced perilous times in the postwar era and sought help from the new American government, a story well-told in John P. Reach, *Suffering Soldiers: Revolutionary War Veterans, Moral Sentiment, and Political Culture in the Early Republic* (University of Massachusetts Press, 1999). Sarah J. Purcell shows how the quasi-official military memory of the Revolution was used to quash dissent in the new Republic in *Sealed with Blood: War, Sacrifice, and Memory in Revolutionary America* (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2002).

American Revolution (1775-1783). Event that severed the political ties between Great Britain and its 13 North American colonies, setting the stage for the development of the United States of America. In its Navigational Acts of the latter half of the seventeenth century, England created a closed mercantile system designed to control, regulate, and tax trade with its American colonies and to ensure that New World wealth flowed back to England. This system benefited the English state and economy, but for the American colonies it created problems, as their specie (gold and silver coin used as mon