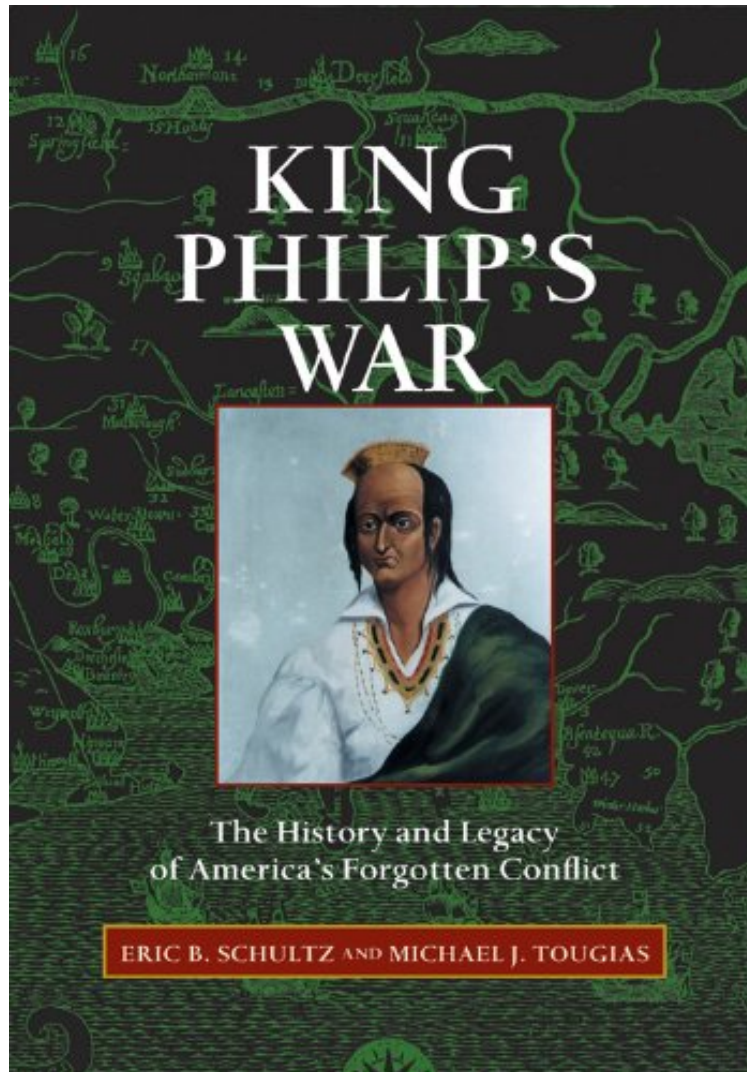


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Von Eric B. Schultz, Michael J. Tougias : **King Philip's War: The History and Legacy of America's Forgotten Conflict** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised King Philip's War: The History and Legacy of America's Forgotten Conflict:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A must read!Von Ein KundeI have read most everything written on King Philip's War in the last few years and this is by far the best. There's a brief but complete history of the war right up front, including some interesting details on pre-war New England and on the aftermath of the war. (Check out the section about the veterans!) Schultz and Tougias go out

of their way to be even-handed in the description of battles; there's even a segment praising the Nipmuck's Muttawmp, perhaps the strongest military leader on either side. (He barely rates a mention in most texts.) The authors also question Canonchet's handling of the Great Swamp Fight and poke some holes in traditional descriptions of the engagement. Since I am from New England, though, I liked best the travelogue in section two. I have already visited the sites in Sudbury and Turner's Falls, and the book really brings them to life. There are several dozen illustrations and ten or more maps, and these really add to the text as well. This spring I intend to see a number of other sites, including Bloody Brook and Beer's Ambush. By contrast, Jill Lepore's book is excellent but very frustrating because it lacks a chronological history of the war. It's also written like a thesis, so the reader has to already have a good grasp of how the war unfolded in order to follow her argument. Leach's book is a classic but stops before the war ends in Maine, and gives no clue as to how to find any of the sites mentioned. (By the way, Leach praises Schultz and Tougias on the dustjacket!) Schultz and Tougias have written more the story of the war, and how to find the story. If you know nothing about King Philip's War, or want to get reacquainted with it, this should be the first text on your bookshelf. I highly recommend it.

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Captivating reading! Von Jeffrey Gill (jeffhgill@aol.com) This is a fantastic book. Beautifully written and illustrated. Haven't finished reading it yet, but it has already given me a whole new understanding, not only of the history of colonial New England, but of the troubled and as yet unresolved history of the relationship between European and Native peoples in this country. This is much more than a guide book to obscure sites of the King Philip War. This book explains a lot about why the history of relations between European and Native has been and continues to be so difficult. Its gruesome tale also explains why this is not a part of our history that has made it into American history textbooks -- at least none that I or my children have ever had in school. Perhaps by telling the story Schultz and Tougias have helped open up a path toward truth and reconciliation in the relationship between European and Native Americans. This is must reading for anyone who cares about history, who cares about the state of race relations in America, or who dares to try to understand how we got to where we are.

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Very informative, rich in detail, and very well written. Von Ein Kunde I was absolutely amazed to read about the scope of this war, the high ratio of deaths to population, and the incredible impact it had on subsequent events here in New England and ultimately in the way we caucasians treated native americans all over North America. Though I do not read a lot of straight history, this story is so well written that it was a delight to read. It is rich in detail but is not heavy and tends to draw the reader (or me, at least) along. I strongly recommend this book for all ages teen-age and older.

Kurzbeschreibung King Philip's War--one of America's first and costliest wars--began in 1675 as an Indian raid on several farms in Plymouth Colony, but quickly escalated into a full-scale war engulfing all of southern New England. At once an in-depth history of this pivotal war and a guide to the historical sites where the ambushes, raids, and battles took place, King Philip's War expands our understanding of American history and provides insight into the nature of colonial and ethnic wars in general. Through a careful reconstruction of events, first-person accounts, period illustrations, and maps, and by providing information on the exact locations of more than fifty battles, King Philip's War is useful as well as informative. Students of history, colonial war buffs, those interested in Native American history, and anyone who is curious about how this war affected a particular New England town, will find important insights into one of the most seminal events to shape the American mind and continent.

de Now largely forgotten, the massacres of 1675 to 1676, known as King Philip's War, ended the harmonious relations that had existed between native Americans and the colonists since their arrival at Plymouth Rock in 1620. Tensions had been rising as the number of settlers grew, and the pillaging of an outlying farm by affronted young braves escalated into open hostilities. Pitched battles were fought from Rhode Island to Maine. Hundreds of English died as farmers fled and cowered behind stockades or in the few port towns. Thousands of natives were slaughtered and the rest dispersed or sold into slavery in the West Indies. The savagery resulted in the clearing of the native populations from southern New England and the unopposed expansion of the New England colonies. It also became the brutal model on which the United States came to deal with its native peoples. King Philip's War tells the story with such close attention to detail that each ambush, each burned-out farm, becomes a vivid image. The authors make abundant use of maps and photographs of old sites to enable the reader to follow the course of the war: the book forms an exhaustive guide for the armchair historian or anyone wishing to visit the monuments and battlefields today. The terror and bitterness of the period live again in the book's illustrations of old woodcuts and lithographs and in quotations from contemporary narratives. That King Philip, whose head was paraded around the streets of Plymouth in a barbarous show of triumph, was the son of the Wampanoag chief who celebrated the first Thanksgiving with the Pilgrims in 1621 adds to the irony and tragedy of the events, whose memory this well-researched book deservedly keeps alive. --John Stevenson

Pressestimmen [E]xtensive details of the sites of all the war's encounters, creating a Baedeker for a terribly bloody dispute. A valuable narrative history and a wonderful guide...this book will appeal to both academic scholars and general readers. --Patrick Malone, author of *The Skulking Way of War* A riveting narrative style that captures the

horror and tragedy of the struggle.