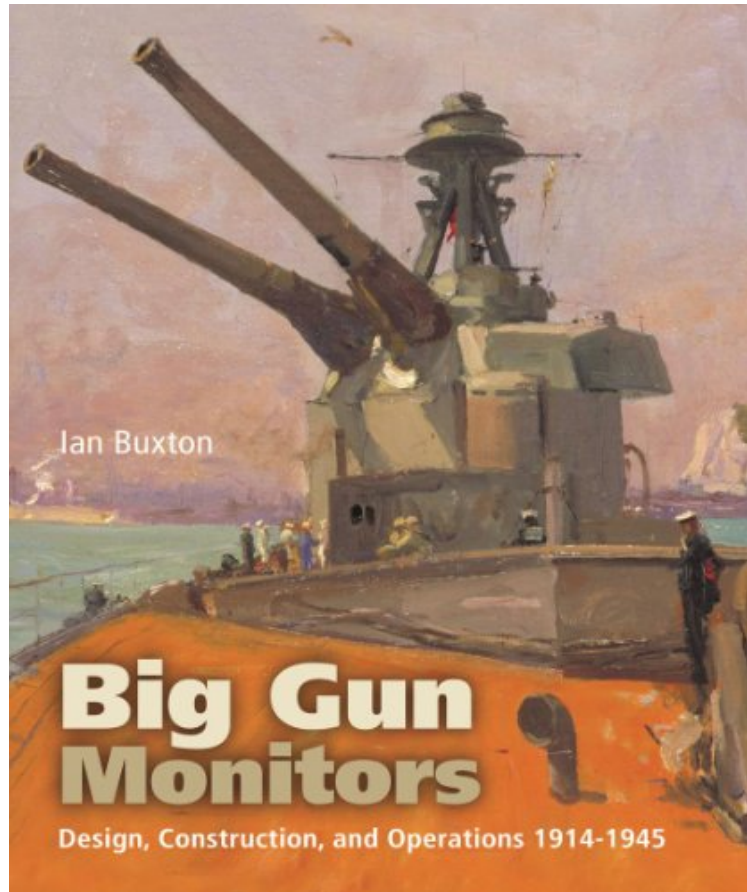


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Synopsis This is a new, revised edition of this now classic work covering the heavier monitors that formed patrols along with destroyers on either side of the Straits of Dover during the First World War to exclude enemy surface vessels from the English Channel and keep the enemy in port. Other Royal Navy monitors served in the Mediterranean.