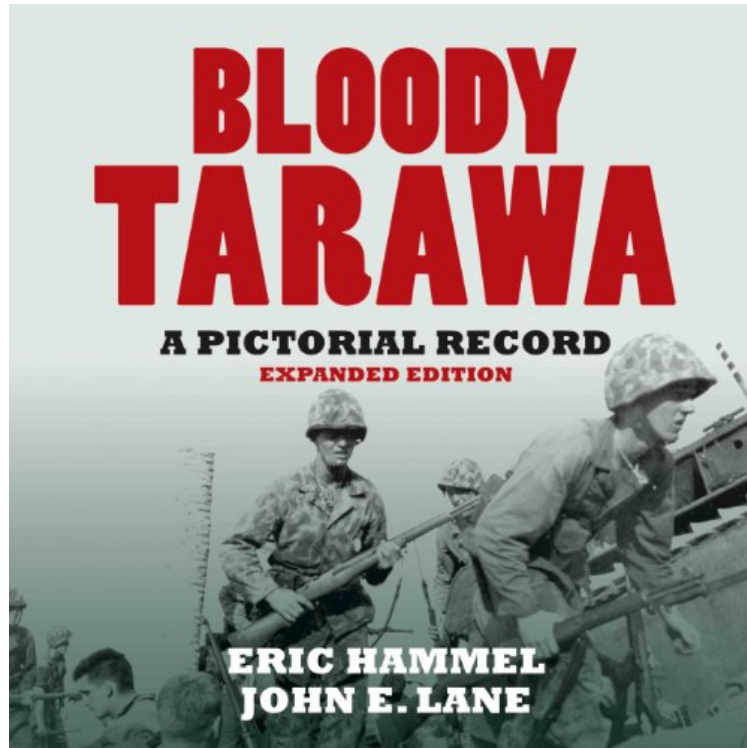


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Superior Photographic HistoryVon D.CaracciloThe Battle of Betio on the Tarawa Atoll, known to the military as Operation GALVANIC, is a truly proud and heroic event in our nation's history. However, it has been often overshadowed by the more infamous Marine action on Guadalcanal. Bloody Tarawa offers credence to first "modern amphibious assault" that took place on November 20, 1943. This book is a graphical depiction of the indomitable human spirit portrayed in dozens of personnel accounts compiled by the authors. Acclaimed author Eric Hammel teams up with John E. Lane to present newly uncovered archival photographs of this bloody battle. To add to the oftentimes-shocking photographs, Hammel and Lane expertly weave numerous first-hand accounts into a chronological tale of heroism. In this book, they bring the reader through a 41-chapter depiction of the "road to war" where the Marines were assured of an easy victory. What followed the initial assault, however was terror stricken combat. The authors of Bloody Tarawa have expertly captured this dichotomy by meticulously describing the days prior to the war as seen through the eyes of the men who waited with pent up anticipation for the assault. "Although they were assured that the island of Betio would be pounded to coral dust by a pre-invasion bombardment, the first wave of Marines to hit the beach found the defenses manned by determined foes." In short, this book is a tribute to the 2nd Marine Division who, in the end, fought for

every deadly step across the tiny tropical island. More than 250 startling photos and drawings, many of them never previously published, accompany the text. Bloody Tarawa is at once a beautifully constructed oversized photo catalog and a well-written account of war in the South Pacific.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Excellent revision of a WW2 classic! Von Ein Kunde Using newly uncovered archival photographs of the bloody battle for Betio Island, Eric Hammel and John Lane put the reader in the middle of the action. From the agonizing wade into the beach, up to the last neutralized pillbox, "Bloody Tarawa" is a fine update of a classic on this legendary campaign.

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