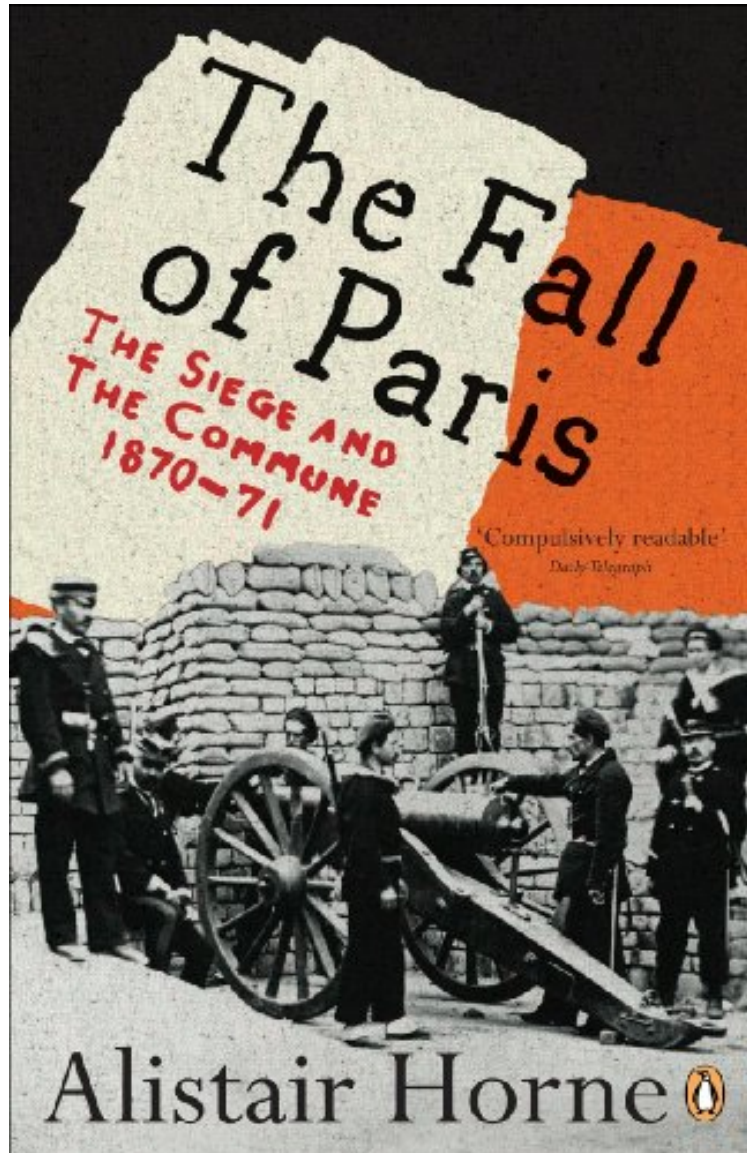


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. InterestingVon B.KarlsonI can't compare this to similar books, as this is my first in-depth exposure to the subject. However I can say that I will have to continue looking elsewhere for more detail on the war of 1870 and its various

battles. While it does provide a lot of necessary background information, setting, politics and history before and during 1870, this book does concentrate very much on Paris, as the title says. I bought it after reading Horne's excellent book on the battle of Verdun ("The Price of Glory"). Compared to that, I found the style of writing much more distracting, with a lot of jumping to conclusions or repetition of facts which have been mentioned in earlier chapters. This reminds a little bit of a collection of essays bound together, which had to be finished on time. For his sources Horne relies very much on contemporary diaries, which give several unique insights into the Paris of the time, but I found the way he incorporates the many facts from these sources into the text far more wearisome to read than "The Price of Glory", which all in all seems to me a much better constructed work. Also there are some facts in the book which do not stand up to more recent historical findings, but this is to be expected of any scientific book of over 50 years of age. After all this criticism, the book is still an excellent introduction to these pivotal months in European history.

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