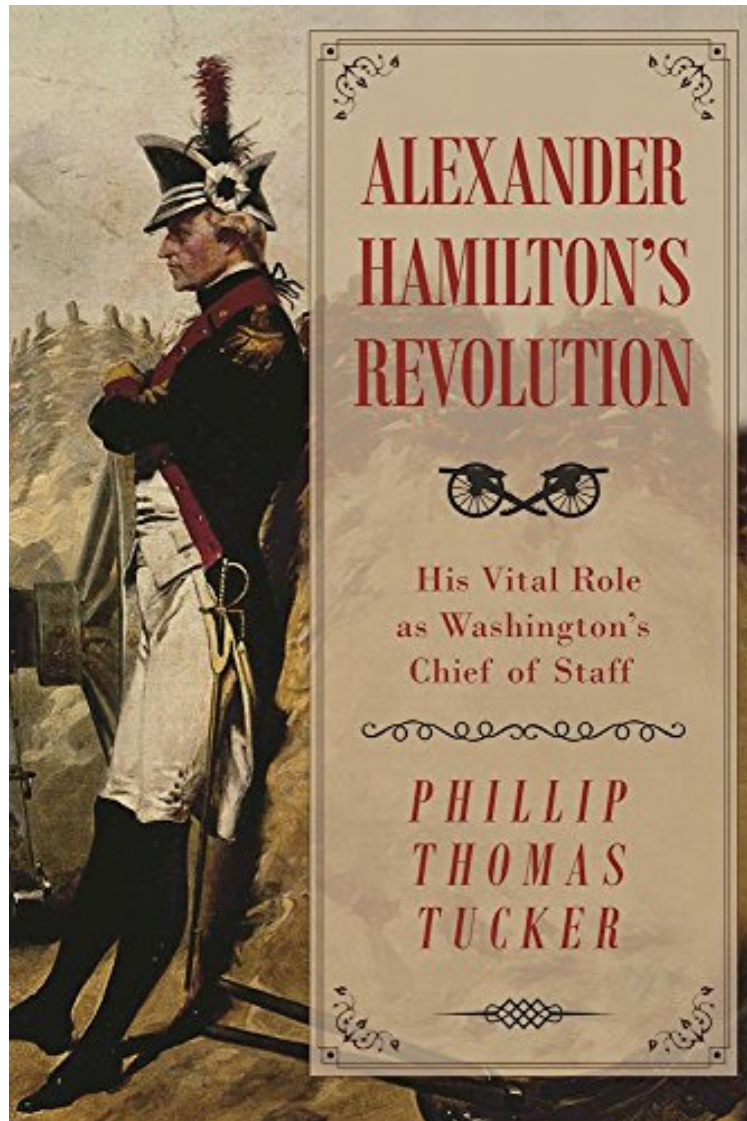


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A new look into the amazing life of Alexander HamiltonBy CustomerI have read a good deal of Dr. Philip Thomas Tuckers books. I know, its surprising with how long they can

be, but they're just that good. I have always enjoyed how Tucker is able to take the mundane (it might not be mundane, but I sure have been taught about these events what seems to be hundreds of times) and put a new spin on it. He does it again this time with Alexander Hamilton. Alexander Hamilton seems to be all the rage right now. If you don't know who he is, go to YouTube and look up the Alexander Hamilton rap by Lin-Manuel Miranda, it's well worth the watch, or if you're feeling adventurous, try to catch the Broadway musical Hamilton, I've heard it's absolutely brilliant. But enough about Hamilton's impact on modern day culture, let's bring it back to how Tucker brought how he impacted the past to life in a new way. When you think, or learn, about Alexander Hamilton, two things will come to mind almost instantly; Economics and the night of his death. I will come back to this, but it's important to first underline who he was as a person and that was, above all else, stubborn. It was a great attribute, but also a fatal flaw. What this meant was that despite having essentially all odds against him when his father abandoned him, his mother died, and he was left an orphaned child with no money and seemingly no hope to go anywhere or do anything with his life. Instead of succumbing to his environment, he stubbornly persevered. He was sponsored to go to school in the Colonies to get an education, and ended up changing the course of history. Going back to my earlier statements, he was most known for his prowess in government and economics and the tragic night he died. Alexander Hamilton not only wrote many of The Federalist Papers and played a major role in the writing of the United States Constitution, but also founded the First National Bank of the United States as the Secretary of the Treasury for George Washington. Many years later comes his second-most memorable moment, when he opposed Vice President Aaron Burr in his run for governor of New York and Burr, taking offense, challenged him to a duel. His last stubborn choice was to accept. Neither of those things are what this book is about. This book tackles who Alexander Hamilton really was: a revolutionary. He was a revolutionary of thought and of the United States. He didn't write papers or build banks during the American Revolutionary War, he led armies in key battles that placed us where we are several hundred years later. One of these key battles was the battle of Yorktown. Hamilton led his men in a historic charge against the British and helped win not only the battle, but the war. The British, shortly after, surrendered and the colonies were independent, thanks to George Washington, the patriotism and sacrifice of countless Americans, and a stubborn man named Alexander Hamilton. That's just one of the examples of how Alexander Hamilton influenced history. You can read more in Dr. Tucker's extremely well done book. I highly recommend it and I look forward to any more he releases in the future.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Different look at a part of American History
By Customer I recently decided to pick up Phillip Thomas Tucker's book Alexander Hamilton's Revolution: His Vital Role as Washington's Chief of Staff. From high school history classes and the few American Revolution survey courses that I took I have a basic knowledge of America at that point in time, and an even more basic knowledge of who Alexander Hamilton was. That said, the width and breadth of my knowledge is that at the end of his life he participated in a duel. And then that was the end of his life because he lost the duel. All of which is why I wanted to read a little more into Hamilton. Tucker really takes a different edge here to take a look at a lesser known aspect of Hamilton's life. He really takes the opportunity to dive deeply into Hamilton's history and it was incredibly interesting to take a look. In the end, I highly encourage picking up Alexander Hamilton's Revolution. I really enjoyed getting a deeper history of the man who would eventually become Secretary of the Treasury and seeing it from a different point of view. Tucker's book is great for both amateur and more knowledgeable historians who want to get a different look at a major player in the course of American history.

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By Barry Waldman Well written and smooth flowing. A most laudatory account of Hamilton's service to the cause of liberty and independence during the Revolution. Anyone looking for defects in this hero for our time will be disappointed. Tucker paints a wonderfully comprehensive picture of Hamilton's complex relationship with Washington. An important addition to a sometimes overlooked period of Hamilton's life.

Despite his less-than-promising beginnings as the only key Founding Father not born and raised on American soil, Hamilton was one of the best and brightest of his generation. His notoriety has rested almost entirely on his role as Secretary of the Treasury in Washington's administration, yet few realize that Washington and Hamilton's bond was forged during the Revolutionary War. Alexander Hamilton's Revolution is the first book to explore Hamilton's critical role during the battle for independence. New information presents a little-known and underpublished aspect of Hamilton's life: that he was not only Washington's favorite staff officer, but also his right-hand man for most of the Revolution, serving as Chief of Staff from 1777 to early 1781. While he found this position rewarding, Hamilton continually asked Washington for a field command. Hamilton's wish was granted at the decisive battle of Yorktown, where his Infantry Battalion charged on the defensive bastion on Cornwallis's left flank. Hamilton's capture of this position, while French forces captured the adjacent position, sealed Cornwallis's fate and forced his surrender and ultimate colonial victory. The entire patriotic cause benefited immeasurably from the advice and strategies provided to Washington by his youngest staff officer, Alexander Hamilton. Now, those critical contributions are brought to light in Hamilton's Revolution.

Praise for Philip Thomas Tucker: Alexander Hamilton's Revolution is more than the story of Colonel Hamilton's

wartime feats and his multifaceted role as an aide to General George Washington. Philip Thomas Tucker explores the fascinating story of Hamilton's relationship with Washington, unraveling what each thought of the other, what each meant to the other, and how each used the other. This is an illuminating book, written with verve and intensity, and it will be welcomed by all those interested in the Revolutionary War and those two beguiling men, Alexander Hamilton and George Washington. John Ferling, author of *Whirlwind: The American Revolution and the War That Won It* (2015) Tucker is fresh and bold in his analysis and use of sources. William C. Davis, author, *Crucible of Command: Ulysses S. Grant and Robert E. Lee* *The War They Fought, The Peace They Forged* A thought-provoking and eye-opening study of [a] pivotal moment in American history. Louis P. Masur, Rutgers University professor of history Tucker's account brims with colorful information . . . that vivifies [a] pivotal episode in American history. Kirkus

About the Author Phillip Thomas Tucker, PhD, is the author of the acclaimed Skyhorse books *George Washington's Surprise Attack*, *How the Irish Won the American Revolution*, *Pickett's Charge*, and *Death at the Little Bighorn*. After earning his PhD in 1990, he took a position as civilian historian with the Department of Defense. The author resides near Washington, D.C., in Upper Marlboro, Maryland.