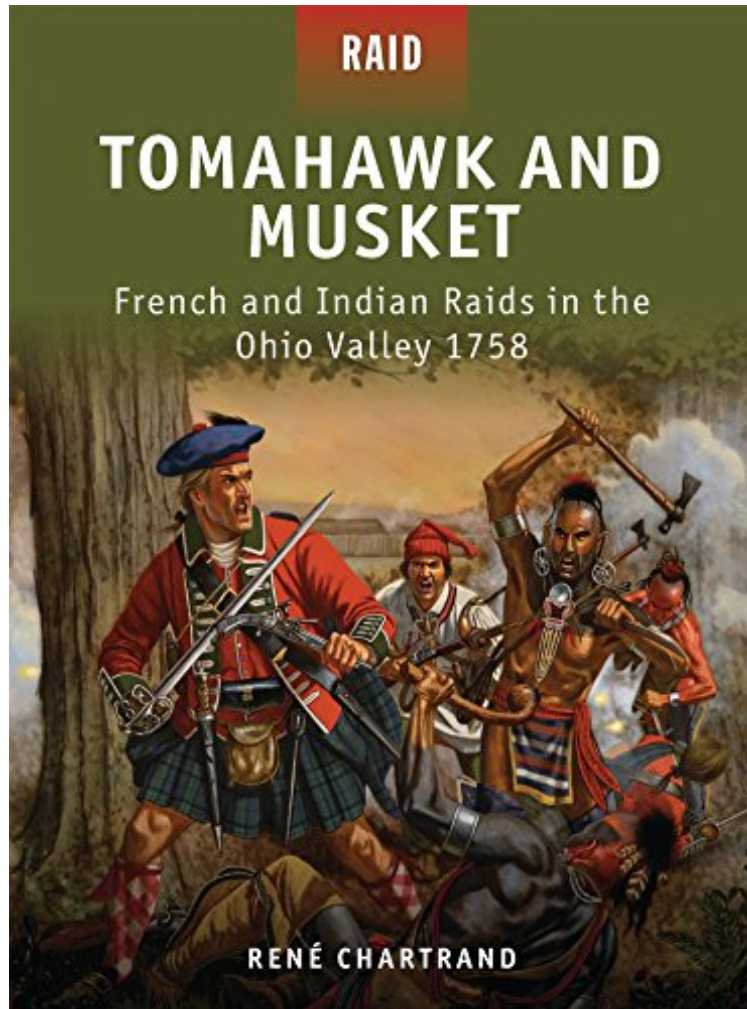


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Ren Chartrand : Tomahawk and Musket: French and Indian Raids in the Ohio Valley 1758 before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Tomahawk and Musket: French and Indian Raids in the Ohio Valley 1758:

15 of 16 people found the following review helpful. I have wanted a new book about the Forbes campaign for years. By historyguy René Chartrand's Tomahawk and Musket finally gives French forces in the Ohio valley their due in the 1758 campaign. Undeclared in the field by their British opponents, but forced into defeat by their superior numbers and supplies. So many books have been written about this theater of war regarding Washington's defeat at Fort Necessity and Braddock's defeat at the Monongahela. This book fills in the gap and let's the interested reader know

that one of the greatest guerilla forces in history (French forces at Duquesne) did not remain idle after 1755. I have been an amateur student of this campaign for years, and have visited the sites mentioned in this book multiple times, and have known that several older histories (which mention the battle at Fort Ligonier) paint the incident as a British victory due to the fact that the French didn't take the fort (when that wasn't the objective at all). There are even some accounts which try to make it seem as though the French were pushed away from the fort by force due to British artillery fire and attacks. Anyone who reads these accounts with a critical eye and looks at the comments made by Forbes and Bouquet after the battle realizes that the British had narrowly avoided an even bigger disaster due to the strength of Fort Ligonier's defenses. In the meantime the French showed their prowess on the battlefield and successfully convinced Forbes to delay his advance until the new year. Only the timely capture of a few French prisoners during a patrol in November allowed Forbes to know the true weakness of Fort Duquesne resulting in its destruction a few weeks later. Great book telling the often ignored story of the important and final chapter of the French and Indian War in Pennsylvania. Visit Fort Ligonier for a surprisingly great collection of top notch artifacts and paintings from the period as well as a painstakingly reconstructed period fort. Fort Pitt museum at the forks of the Ohio in Pittsburgh isn't much to look at from the outside but is a great museum inside. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. I enjoyed this book By Ted Ellis In the end, it's a good little book. I was disappointed by the first half, leading up to the Forbes campaign, but then that's not the focus of this volume. The second half provided some insight missed by other works. A unique look "from the other side." After all, the old clique about the victors writing the history books holds a lot of truth. That said, Chartrand's brit-american history is lacking in some places. Obviously taken from earlier sources that as he alludes to himself in the introduction, can be tainted by patriotic rhetoric. It's not a huge book and it's not THE source on the period, but it is informative. I did learn some details I didn't know before. I enjoyed it! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars (1272 locations) By The Chronicler Well written and very informative.

In 1758, at the height of the French and Indian War, British Brigadier General John Forbes led his army on a methodical advance against Fort Duquesne, French headquarters in the Ohio valley. As his army closed in upon the fort, he sent Major Grant of the 77th Highlanders and 850 men on a reconnaissance in force against the fort. The French, alerted to this move, launched their own counter-raid. 500 French and Canadians, backed by 500 Indian allies, ambushed the highlanders and sent them fleeing back to the main army. With the success of that operation, the French planned their own raid against the English encampment at Fort Ligonier less than fifty miles away. With only 600 men, against an enemy strength of 4,000, the French Amerindians launched a daring night attack on the heart of the enemy encampment. This book tells the complete story of these ambitious raids and counter-raids, giving in-depth detail on the forces, terrain, and tactics.

About the Author Ren Chartrand was born in Montreal and educated in Canada, the United States and the Bahamas. A senior curator with Canada's National Historic Sites for nearly three decades, he is now a freelance writer and historical consultant. He has written numerous articles and books including over 30 Osprey titles. He lives in Gatineau, Quebec, with his wife and two sons.