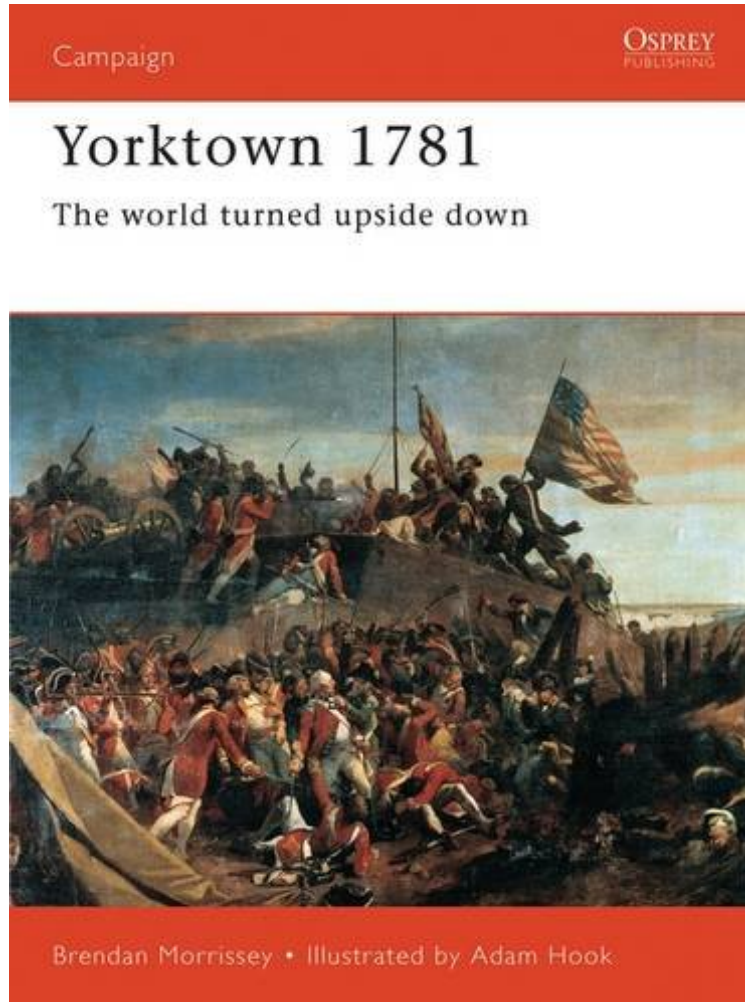


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Brendan Morrissey : Yorktown 1781: The World Turned Upside Down (Campaign) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Yorktown 1781: The World Turned Upside Down (Campaign):

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. The deciding campaign...By HMS Warspite
In the fall of 1781, six years into the Revolutionary War, an American army led by General George Washington joined with a French expeditionary force under General Rochambeau to trap the British army of Lord Cornwallis at the small Virginia port of Yorktown. The fate of Cornwallis's force was sealed when a French Naval Squadron under De Grasse stood off a Royal Navy rescue fleet. Yorktown ended up being the decisive military campaign of the war, although it took another year or so to negotiate a peace treaty. "Yorktown 1781" is an Osprey Campaign Series book, authored by Brendan Morrissey with illustrations by Adam Hook. The author takes a long and thoughtful approach to Yorktown, walking

the reader up through the preliminary fighting in Virginia while describing the near-stalemate that existed in the larger conflict. The decisive naval actions at sea get appropriate attention, and it isn't until two thirds of the way through a concise account that the reader arrives at Yorktown itself for the siege. This is a very readable narrative, much enhanced by a nice selection of period and modern illustrations, photographs, and some nice maps and diagrams. This book was first published in 1997, but the Yorktown battlefield remains wonderfully intact and available to visit as described here. Recommended as a very adequate introduction to a key campaign. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By William L Hickman great buy 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. this book (and the others in the series I've read so far) are great reads! They include battleground layouts By Katrina Dee For anyone interested in details, this book (and the others in the series I've read so far) are great reads! They include battleground layouts, breakdowns of the main players and fascinating trivia. As a historical fiction writer, I am very happy to have found it.

Osprey's Campaign title for the Siege of Yorktown (1781), which was part of the American Revolutionary War (1775-1783). By 1781 Britain's struggle to contain the rebels in her American colonies had reached an inglorious stalemate. Six years on from the British defeat by the New England militia at Boston, George Washington's rebuilt Continental Army - with support from the French - now systematically began to seek out and destroy British forces even if protected by seemingly impregnable defences. Yorktown would be a salutary lesson to the British Crown about the odds she now faced in holding on to her colonies.

From the Publisher Highly visual guides to history's greatest conflicts, detailing the command strategies, tactics, and experiences of the opposing forces throughout each campaign, and concluding with a guide to the battlefields today. About the Author Brendan Morrissey trained as a lawyer before working as a PR consultant and writer in the defence industry, principally with British Aerospace. He has a long-standing interest in military affairs and Anglo-American relations. Brendan has written several titles on this subject for Osprey, including Campaign 67 Saratoga 1777, and Campaign 37 Boston 1775. He is married and lives in Surrey, UK.