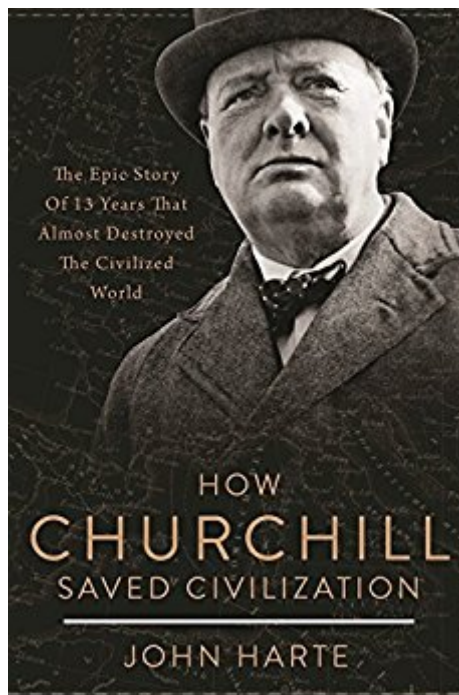




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Customer Reviews

I have read many books on WWII but never before have I read one like this. The author, who served in a bomber crew during the war, has the worst opinion of Americans and especially of Roosevelt that I have ever read. While I believe Churchill was the greatest man of the 20th century, I find his propensity to describe his bipolarity as impatience. I also wonder if American generals were truly "jealous" of Monty and etc.

The title of this book is extremely misleading. It is actually 95% a brief (albeit uneven) history of WWII and 5% narration of Churchill's (extremely valuable) contributions to the Allies winning the war. I think Churchill may well be the greatest hero of the 21st century but Harte uses this book to subtly (and sometimes not so subtly) heap abuse on the contributions of the U.S., Roosevelt, American generals, and the American fighting men and women. And his writing style tends to leap from lending excruciating detail to certain aspects of the war to jumping rapidly over others. I am a huge fan of the British but Harte seems to cheer for perfidious Albion while needlessly bashing the U.S. Much of this book belongs not in the History section of the library, but rather in the Opinion section.

In the first 24 pages, two egregious errors. Churchill was NOT first sea lord, Jackie Fisher was, WSC was 1st Lord of admiralty, which his father NEVER was. I quit

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