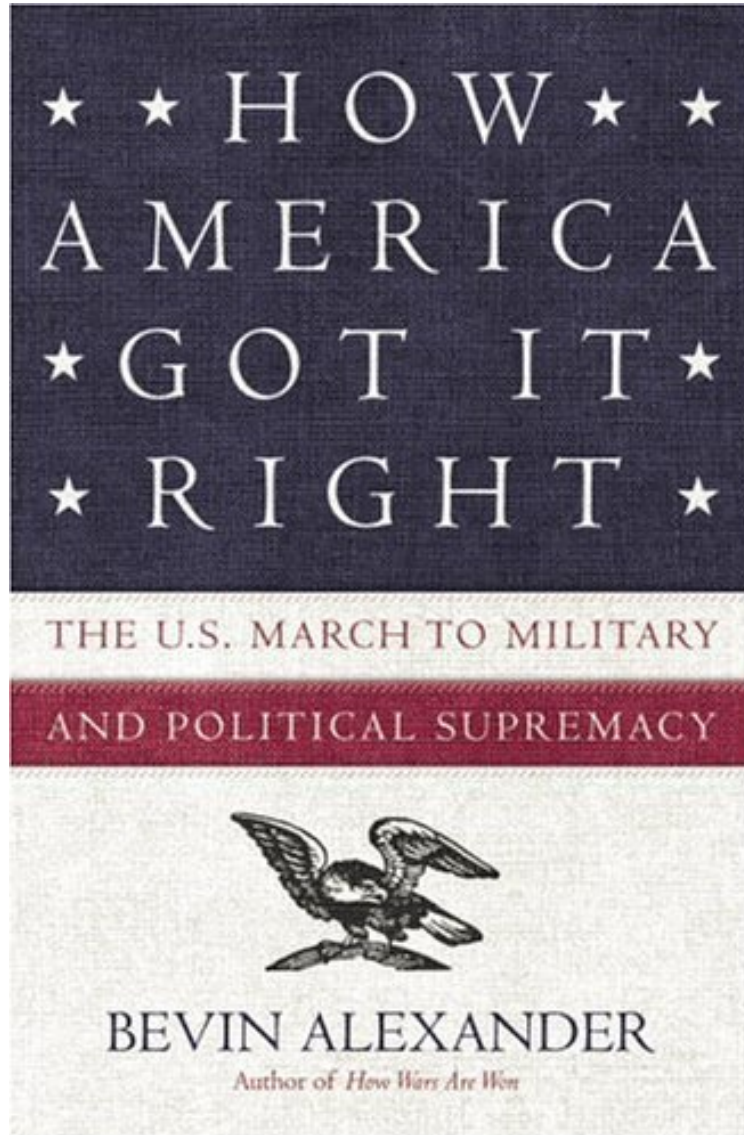


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Alexander gets it right Von Dr. Bojan Tunguz This is an unabashedly unapologetic review of America's political and military rise to the foremost prominence in the world. That being said, Alexander is more than willing to acknowledge America's faults, both great and small, like slavery and Korean war. However, he doesn't dwell on them but sees America's history as an overall steady progress in the right direction. Many of the historical facts in the book will be familiar to anyone who studied American history, but Alexander manages to bring some fresh insights. Thanks to this, the book reads like a novel, and several chapters are veritable page turners. It's a history book that is a great entertaining read as well. I highly recommend it.

Kurzbeschreibung At last, a historian tells the truth about America's role in the world refuting the lies of anti-American propagandists. Left-wing critics both at home and abroad relish blasting our country for being the world's sole superpower, or even an imperialist power. But as acclaimed military historian Bevin Alexander shows in *How America Got It Right*, these criticisms are completely off the mark. Alexander reveals how the United States has done and continues to do exactly the right thing in military and foreign affairs. As the world's dominant political force and military power, he says, we are the only nation that will actually go into the world and strike down evil. And we must not shirk that responsibility especially because we cannot rely on our so-called allies to defend our freedoms. Alexander tells the dramatic and sometimes surprising story of how, from the American Revolution to the War on Terror, America's core principles and ideals have shaped our march to economic, military, and political supremacy. *How America Got It Right* reveals: How in the War on Terror we were simply repeating the process of World War II going wherever we have to in the world to destroy those who threaten our safety. How unpatriotic critics of American foreign policy fail to understand the clear threats we now grapple with but how our leaders get it. How America boldly and correctly asserted this nation's unique status to the world long before we had the military strength to back up our daring proclamations. How, at almost every turn, our leaders demonstrated remarkable foresight that enabled America to become the world's dominant power. How a policy of securing other peoples' freedom is in fact grounded in American tradition, not a dangerous departure from precedent. As Americans debate what our nation's role in world affairs should be, Alexander shows how far from overreaching or stumbling into situations in which we shouldn't be involved the United States has properly embraced its role as world leader. Covering more than two centuries of history, *How America Got It Right* refutes those critics who suggest that America has somehow gone off course or overextended itself. Indeed, according to Alexander, our government has got it right. America's critics have got it wrong, because what they are hoping for peace without a price will never come to pass. We saw early in our colonial history that because of our isolation from Europe, and because of the immense wealth and bounty of our land we had the opportunity to build the greatest, freest, and most prosperous nation ever to arise on earth. We spent the first century and a quarter of our independent existence in creating this great nation. But to protect this treasure, we found that we needed to establish the world's paramount military structure and become the world's preeminent political power. This book is the story of America's march to economic, military, and political supremacy, and the ideals that have guided us along the way. From *How America Got It Right* Hardcover edition. From Booklist This is a feel-good book for those who are convinced the U.S. role in world affairs has been consistently beneficial. Military historian Alexander's survey of more than two centuries of America's interactions with the world rejects the notion of the U.S. as an imperial power. Although he acknowledges major mistakes (slavery, Vietnam), Alexander asserts that America has never sought to conquer foreign peoples (that, of course, would be disputed by the Lakota, Cheyenne, and Mexicans of the Southwest). Americans, Alexander argues, have viewed themselves as an island nation protected by vast oceans that allowed us to develop our democratic institutions while avoiding the chronic warfare experienced by European states. In the twentieth century, that benign isolation was no longer tenable. Thus, America reluctantly became a world power, but with the primary goal of protecting its own liberty. In doing so, we have generally advanced the cause of liberty around the world. One need not be an America basher to see this work as a bit one-sided. Jay Freeman Copyright American Library Association. All rights reserved. Pressestimmen Makes one of the strongest cases yet for American exceptionalism. Washington Times A readable narrative history that . . . includes events frequently slighted in politically correct texts." The Weekly Standard From the Trade Paperback edition.