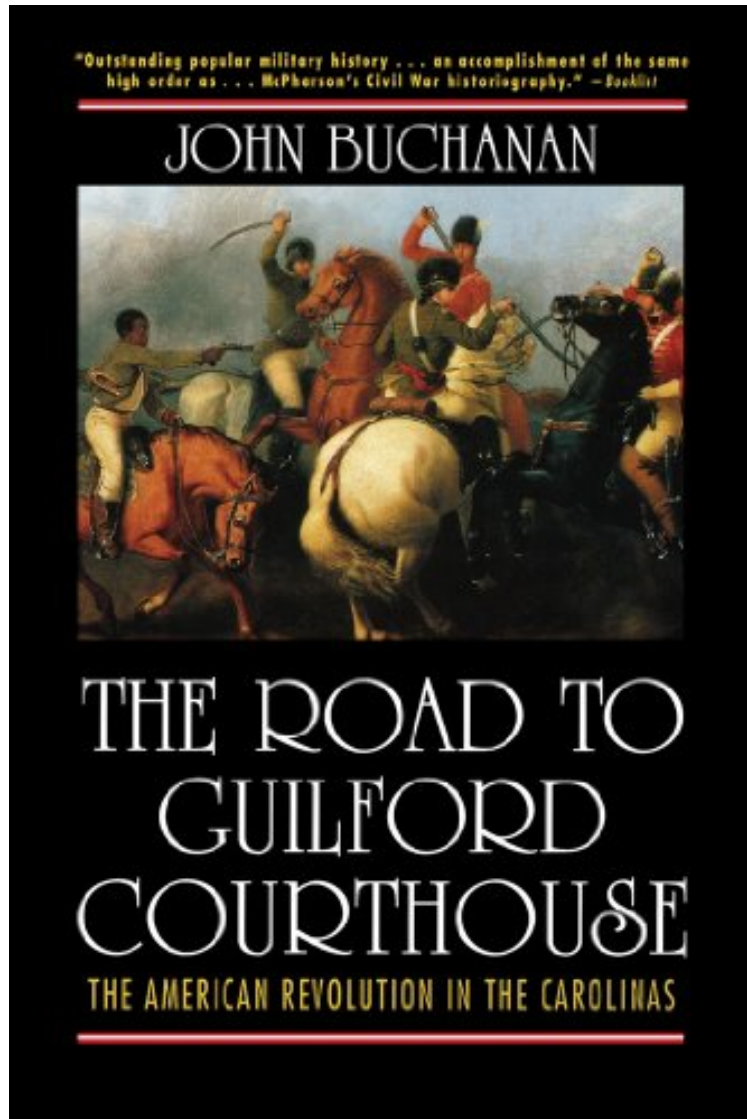


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book 50 years from now. It compares favorably with the popular book on Stonewall Jackson, but does not focus on one personality. Portrayals of Nathaniel Greene, Daniel Morgan, and Andrew Pickens were extremely moving and enlightening. The Dust-Jacket portrays the Battle of the Cowpens, which is described on page 326. I was glad to have this famous painting finally described to me. I would have preferred that the author had identified the "black body servant" who rescued William Washington, but perhaps he is lost in history. I was very frustrated with the paucity of maps, i.e. spatial descriptions of what the author was talking about. Most military history students think spatially. The author also seemed to feel that he could only use complex "authentic-historical maps". The maps used were virtually unreadable. Unless the reader "knows the country", the reader will lose about 20 per cent of the author's information. This is easy to correct in the second edition. This is probably an excellent book to start in reading on the "First Civil War-American Revolution". That's what I'm doing. Again, this is a very good book. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. An Excellent Campaign Study Von Kevin F. Kiley If you're looking for a book on the Battle of Guilford Courthouse, this isn't it. Fewer than 25 pages are dedicated to it near the end of the book. However, this is one of the best campaign studies on Greene's southern campaigns that I have ever read. The author's treatment of the campaign as a whole is masterful, and of the Retreat to the Dan in particular, is superb. He presents to the reader what could be a very confusing chain of events, and puts them in logical order to give a sequence that is easy to follow and highly informative. This is military history at its best and it gives a more than clear picture of the campaign that led directly to Yorktown and American (and French) victory over the British. Nathaniel Greene was one of the most effective and talented commanders this country has ever produced. Never winning a battle, but always winning his campaigns, he is an American Turenne, and one of the American commanders the British feared. This volume belongs on the bookshelf of every military history enthusiast of the period. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A well done book on the American Revolution in the South Von Ein Kunde The Road To Guilford Courthouse is a very good summary of the late war southern campaign in American Revolution. The book reads like a Ken Burns' PBS series with lots of original quotes from the period. The author is also very outspoken about the personalities of the participants and this will probably open him to some criticism. The campaign is well laid out, although the maps were poor, and it is easy to follow the plans of major figures. The bibliography is good and allows anyone doubting Mr. Buchanan's interpretations to check his facts. The book's only real weak spot for me is that it just ends after the battle of Guilford Courthouse. I would have enjoyed reading more about the later campaign in Virginia, the Carolinas and Georgia. Overall a well done book that reads easily yet is full of solid information

Kurzbeschreibung A brilliant account of the proud and ferocious American fighters who stood up to the British forces in savage battles crucial in deciding both the fate of the Carolina colonies and the outcome of the war. "A tense, exciting historical account of a little known chapter of the Revolution, displaying history writing at its best." -- Kirkus
s "His compelling narrative brings readers closer than ever before to the reality of Revolutionary warfare in the Carolinas." -- Raleigh News Observer "Buchanan makes the subject come alive like few others I have seen." -- Dennis Conrad, Editor, The Nathanael Greene Papers "John Buchanan offers us a lively, accurate account of a critical period in the War of Independence in the South. Based on numerous printed primary and secondary sources, it deserves a large reading audience." -- Don Higginbotham, Professor of History, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. de Most of us are familiar with the role that North and South Carolina played in the American Civil War: if nothing else, every grade-schooler knows the significance of the 1861 bombardment of Fort Sumter in Charleston Harbor. But to popular historian John Buchanan, "that tragedy is of far less interest than the American Revolution. The Revolution was the most important event in American history. The Civil War was unfinished business." And the Carolinas, Buchanan convincingly argues, were the most critical theater in that conflict, with their wild Back Country seeing "a little-known but savage civil war far exceeding anything in the North." The Road to Guilford Courthouse is no less than a tour de force of pop military scholarship, an exhaustive battle-by-battle account of the Crown's grinding march to wrest the Carolinas from the resourceful Rebels. Beginning with Colonel William Moultrie's valiant defense atop the palmetto ramparts of Fort Sullivan against an outnumbering force of British men-of-war to the final "long, obstinate, and bloody" exchange at Guilford Courthouse, Buchanan meticulously recounts each skirmish, battle, and shift of strategy in the campaign. Relying on copious primary and secondary sources, he brings the combatants to life, from the worthy but somewhat obscure, such as Nathanael Greene, whom George Washington considered to be his successor should he fall, to soon-to-be legends such as Francis Marion, the Swamp Fox. -- Paul Hughes Pressestimmen* ""Outstanding popular military history . . . an accomplishment of the same high order as McPherson's Civil War historiography." -- Booklist ""Chronologically connecting events from the siege of Charleston in April 1780, to the battle of Guilford Courthouse, almost a year later, Buchanan carefully weaves politics, battles and personalities into one of the fascinating stories of American independence." -- Roanoke Times ""His compelling narrative brings readers closer than ever before to the reality of Revolutionary warfare in the Carolinas." -- Raleigh News Observer ""Buchanan

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