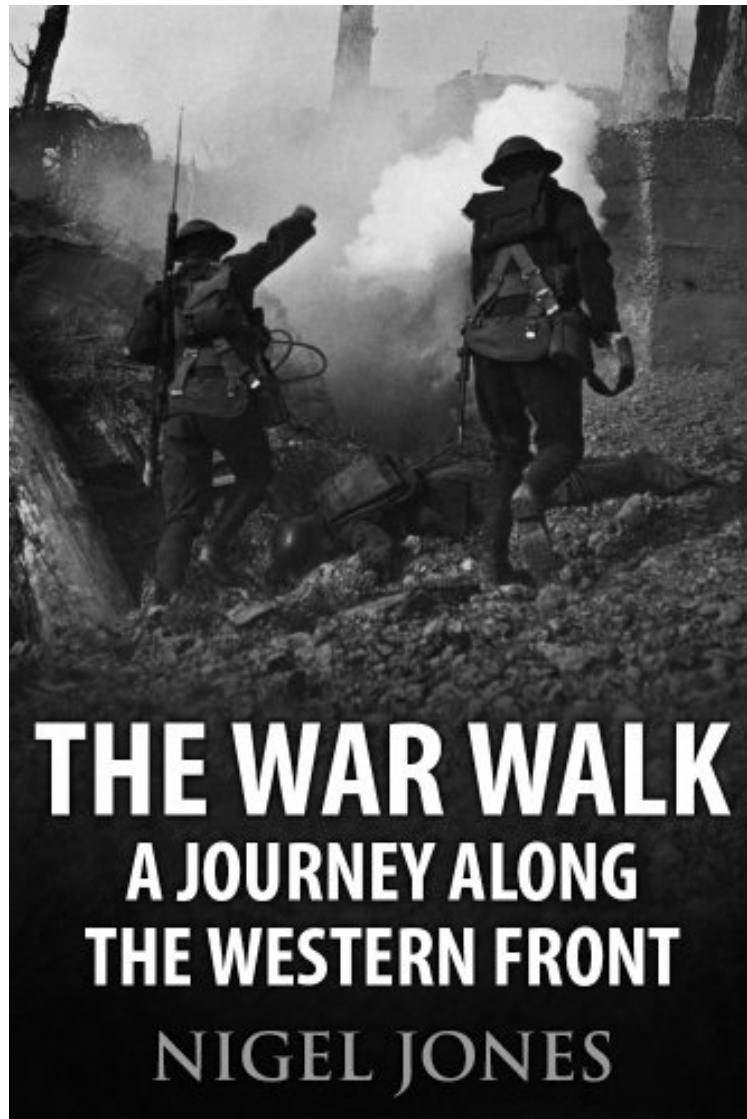


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A Journey Worth TakingVon SabinaThe War Walk is an excellent introduction and one volume history of the Great War

on the Western Front. Although loosely framed within a travelogue Jones thankfully places the history in the foreground, as opposed to himself. The Somme, Ypres and British experience of the ordinary soldier are all told well and although there may not be any original academic scholarship, everyone should glean something from the facts and arguments in this book, student and military buff alike. Along with John Keegan's *First World War* this is as good a place to start as any on the subject. The lack of maps is slight frustration, but not a serious one. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Realism trumps sentimentality. Von Laura Marangoni Nigel Jones uses a modern day journey through France to peer into the grim but often heroic past of the Great War. The tragedy eclipses the triumph in many ways and the author views the past with a realism rather than sentimentality. There isn't an unhealthy fixation with war poets or class warfare, with lions led by donkeys, which can distort things. The book is broken up well into chapters and parts of the walk. It's a shame kindle isn't map and illustration friendly though, to give a pictorial guide to journey. Another failing of book is that it could provide more of a perspective from the French and German side. Would definitely recommend *War Walk* to students, as it touches upon many aspects of the narrative of the Western Front without being tainted by bad history. The book has enough depth and richness to offer something to the more knowledgeable First World War historian too. There are better books out there on WWI, but perhaps none so accessible or useful as starting point.

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the front line of that cataclysmic conflict, and his 400-mile journey along the trenches is a tribute to all the combatants of both sides. The War Walk is a moving book describing the journey, and it is written on several levels. It incisively retells the political and military story of the Western Front; it explores the reality of life and death in the trenches through the words of a number of veterans from both sides; and it gives a vivid picture of the Western Front as it is today. The battles of Loos, Ypres, the Somme and Passchendale are re-fought from first-hand accounts, uncovering all the artefacts of war - the trenches, the craters, the rusty shells and grenades, the boots and even the bones which are still to be found there. This new edition has a new Introduction by the author and it will appeal to all who have visited the Western Front, plan to do so or who wish to explore the terrain from the comfort of their armchairs.