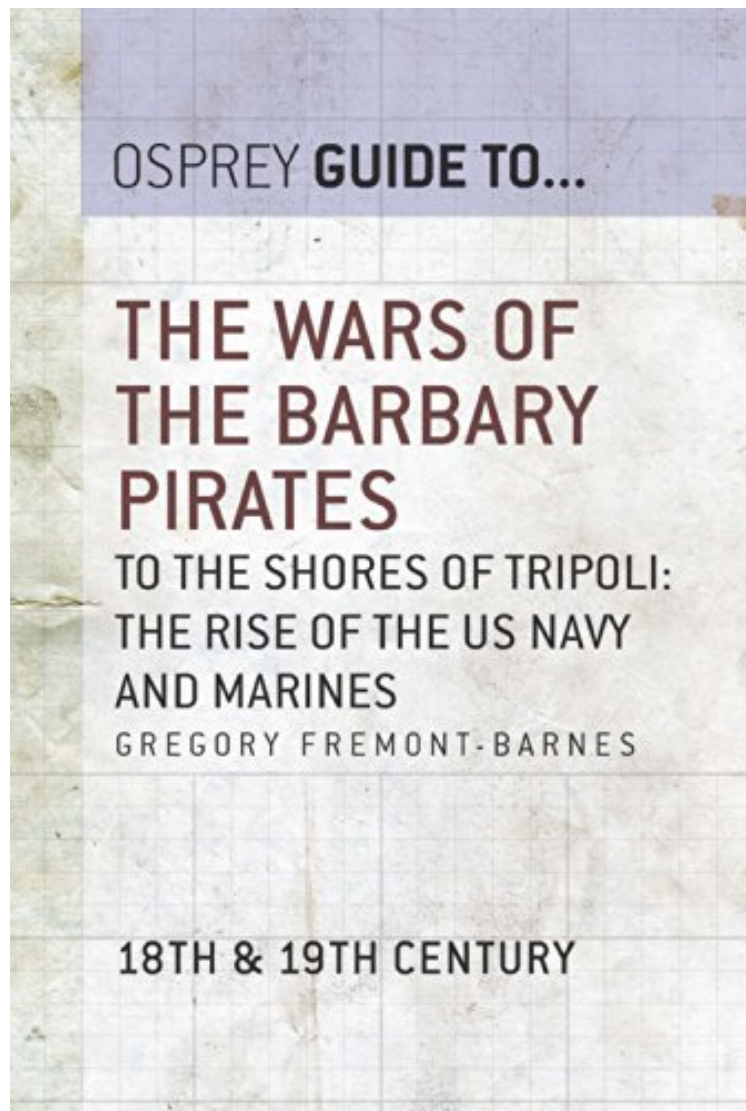


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vielen bekannt ist die erste Strophe aus der Hymne des U.S. Marine Corps. Wenige drften wissen, welche historische Episode sich dahinter verbirgt, nmlich eine der frhesten Aktionen des US Militrs im Ausland. 1804 fhrt US Captain Stephen Decatur die "Intrepid" mit einem Haufen wagemutiger Marinesoldaten nach Nordafrika um dem unseligen Piratenwesen der sog. "Barbareskenstaaten" Einhalt zu gebieten, welches vielen Seenationen im Mittelmeer Sorgen bereitete. Die hier beschriebene Ausgabe aus der Osprey Reihe Essential Histories hat 2 namhafte Historiker als Autoren. Gregory Fremont Barnes und Prof. Robert O Neill beschreiben Hintergrnde und entscheidende Aktionen derart spannend, das man dieses leider auerhalb der USA unbekanntes Thema sofort annimmt und sich wegen der dramatischen Aktionen sofort an einen Stoff fr einen Hollywoodstreifen erinnert....In der Tat ist dieses Thema in den 50 ern mit John Payne mal verfilmt worden (leider historisch unakkurat und schlecht dargestellt). Sehr gutes Kartenmaterial und schn ausgesuchtes Bildmaterial unterstreichen die gute Qualitt dieses Buches. Fr jeden interessant, welcher wissen will, woher der Nimbus der US Marines kommt und auch fr Freunde nordafrikanischer Geschichte.

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