

# The Gulf War Of 1991

American air power is a dominant force in today's world. Its ascendancy, evolving in the half century since the end of World War II, became evident during the first Gulf War. Although a great deal has been written about military operations in Desert Shield and Desert Storm, this deeply researched volume by Dr. Diane Putney probes the little-known story of how the Gulf War air campaign plan came to fruition. Based on archival documentation and interviews with USAF planners, this work takes the reader into the planning cells where the difficult work of building an air campaign plan was accomplished on an around-the-clock basis. The tension among air planners is palpable as Dr. Putney traces the incremental progress and friction along the way. The author places the complexities of the planning process within the context of coalition objectives. All the major players are here: President George H. W. Bush, General H. Norman Schwarzkopf, General Colin Powell, General Chuck Horner, and Secretary of Defense Richard Cheney. The air planning process generated much debate and friction, but resulted in great success—a 43-day conflict with minimum casualties. Dr. Putney's rendering of this behind-the-scenes evolution of the planning process, in its complexity and even suspense, provides a fascinating window into how wars are planned and fought today and what might be the implications for the future. C. R. Anderegg Director of Air Force History

CMH Publication 70-30. Edited by Frank N. Schubert and Theresa L. Kraus. Discusses the United States Army's role in the Persian Gulf War from August 1990 to February 1991. Shows the various strands that came together to produce the army of the 1990s and how that army in turn performed under fire and in the glare of world attention. Retains a sense of immediacy in its approach. Contains maps which were carefully researched and compiled as original documents in their own right. Includes an index. In August 1990, Saddam Hussein's Iraqi forces boldly invaded and occupied neighboring Kuwait. It was a move that shocked the world and threatened the interests of those countries, such as the USA and the nations of Europe, dependent on oil from the Middle East. The ensuing Gulf War signaled, for many, a new dawn in warfare: one based upon lethal technology, low casualties, and quick decisive victory. Incorporating the latest scholarship, William Thomas Allison provides a concise overview of the origins, key events and legacy of the first Gulf War, as well as the major issues and debates. Allison also examines the relevance of this war to other twentieth-century conflicts and the ongoing situation in the region. Osprey's examination of US troops during the Persian Gulf War (1990-1991). Besides continuing a long history of world-wide peacekeeping, the commitment of US troops to the Gulf reunified the country and restored a national pride lost in the aftermath of Vietnam. It also proved that the US armed forces were again the most capable military force in the world. This volume by

veteran Osprey author Gordon L. Rottman focuses on the structure, equipment, effectiveness, and employment of the 680,000 coalition troops which fought in the Gulf War, covering not only the US forces, but also those of Britain, France, the Arab League and Iraq.

Presents a history of the invasion of Kuwait by the Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein and the Persian Gulf War of 1991 which forced his withdrawal.

The air campaign that opened the Gulf War in January 1991 was one of the most stunning in history. For five weeks, American and other Coalition aircraft pounded enemy targets with 88,000 tons of bombs. Sorties—more than 100,000 of them—were launched from bases in Saudi Arabia, from aircraft carriers in the Persian Gulf and Red Sea, and even from bases in the United States. The skies over Iraq and Kuwait were filled with a dizzying array of new and improved weapons—Tomahawk and Hellfire missiles, stealth aircraft, and laser-guided smart bombs—and the results were impressive. The Coalition swiftly established air superiority and laid the foundation for the successful five-day ground campaign that followed. The results were also highly visible as the American people watched the bombings unfold in grainy green video-game-like footage broadcast on CNN and the nightly news. The overwhelming success of the Desert Storm air campaign has made it influential ever since, from the “shock and awe” bombing during the Iraq War in 2003 to more recent drone operations, but the apparent ease with which the campaign was won has masked the

difficulty—and the true achievement—of executing such a vast and complex operation. Using government reports, scholarly studies, and original interviews, Jim Corrigan reconstructs events through the eyes of not only the strategists who planned it, but also the pilots who flew the missions.

The Panavia Tornado GR 1 and F 3 bore the brunt of RAF operational tasking (and combat losses) during the first Gulf War in 1991. Featuring many first-hand combat accounts, this book tells the story of the backbone of the RAF frontline from the 1980's and 1990's. When the Gulf Crisis of 1990 was triggered by the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait, the RAF responded by sending Tornado F 3 fighters to Saudi Arabia to help defend the country against further aggression. These aircraft were followed by the deployment of Tornado GR 1 strike/attack aircraft to Bahrain. Eventually three wings of Tornado GR 1s were established in Bahrain, Tabuk, and Dhahran, as well as a detachment of Tornado GR 1A reconnaissance aircraft. At the start of hostilities in January 1991, the Tornado GR 1 wings carried out night-low-level attacks against Iraqi Main Operating Bases using the JP233 runway denial weapon. Meanwhile, Combat Air Patrols from the Tornado F 3 wing ensured the integrity of Saudi airspace. Once air supremacy had been established, the Tornado GR 1 force moved to medium-level operations, initially by night and later by day, to attack the Iraqi oil production and storage infrastructure. The arrival in theater of a laser designation capability with Pave Spike/Buccaneer and

TIALD/Tornado enabled precision attacks against the Iraq transport system to cut off the frontline troops from resupply and reinforcement and then to carry out a systematic destruction of the airfield facilities. Tornado GR 1A reconnaissance operations played a major role in the location of Scud missile launchers and in the planning and execution of the land offensive. Throughout the conflict, the Tornado F 3 wing at Dhahran carried out defensive counter-air operations to ensure the safety of the base areas. This volume, publishing 30 years after the conflict to free Kuwait, provides detailed first-hand accounts of the missions undertaken by the Tornado crews. It is illustrated by photographs taken by aircrew involved in the operation and includes 30 newly commissioned profile artworks and detailed nose art views of the aircraft ranged against Iraq.

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[The Gulf War, 1990-91](#)

**John R. MacArthur -- who is the publisher of Harper's Magazine -- examines the government's assault on the constitutional freedoms of the U.S. media during the 1991 gulf war. With a new preface.**

**Integrating interviews with individuals ranging from senior policymakers to frontline soldiers, a look at the Persian Gulf War shows how the conflict transformed modern warfare**

**The Gulf War of 1991 Reconsidered subjects one of the formative events of the post-Cold War era and a watershed in Middle Eastern international politics to a comprehensive reassessment. Considering events from Arab, Israeli and American view points, the book examines the Gulf War's historical origins, conduct and legacy.**

**Kuwait's long-standing territorial dispute with Iraq, culminating in the 1991 Gulf War, should properly be viewed within an extended historical context dating back to the Ottoman period. Tracing the origins of this dispute through a detailed chronological account of events, Dr Rahman describes how Anglo-Ottoman manoeuvres in the 1890s were to have repercussions on Kuwaiti-Iraqi relations for generations to come. He considers the effect of the collapse of the Ottoman Empire and the subsequent**

**redefinition of many of the boundaries of the Empire's former provinces in the Middle East. Mesopotamia, now Iraq, became a kingdom under British mandate, and in 1932 it attained independence.**

**In August 1990 Saddam Hussein's Iraqi forces invaded and occupied the small Arab state of Kuwait. This book analyses the ensuing Gulf War (16 January - 28 February 1991) - a war fought to expel Iraq and restore Kuwaiti independence if not, as one British MP tartly observed, to defend democracy. The allies under General Schwarzkopf launched five weeks of air attacks, deploying 1,800 technologically highly advanced aircraft from the US, British, French and Saudi air forces. Many of these machines, including the British Tornados and US F-117A Stealth fighters, had never before engaged in combat, and their combined assault, watched by millions on TV, combined impressive accuracy with firepower to which the Iraqi forces had no answer.**

**Provides a detailed account of the diplomatic negotiations in the Persian Gulf crisis**

**Leaders in War present unique first-person perspectives across the spectrum of American combat operations during the 1991 Persian Gulf War. From division**

**commanders to platoon leaders, the authors deliver an insider's view of tough leadership challenges, tragic failures, and triumphant victories. Leaders in War captures the essence of the post-Cold War US Army: how an all-volunteer army, equipped with new weapons systems and adjusting to new battle doctrine, mounted one of history's most successful military campaigns. Described here are the details of the tremendous logistical challenges, innovations in intelligence, ground combat operations from platoon to division, and a wide range of combat support operations. Leaders in War focuses not just on the successes, but on the failures as well, in operations ranging from violent tank battles against the vaunted Iraqi Republican Guard to train-and-fill operations thousands of miles away. Leaders in War illustrates how US Army leaders adapted to the psychological strains of combat, the fog of war, unforeseeable challenges, and the fury of tank warfare during the Persian Gulf War.**

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**Desert Storm Air War**

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**Persian Gulf War (1990-1991): Iraq, Oil and the Middle East Gr. 5-8**

**The Media and the Gulf War**

**The Gulf War in 1991**

**Liberating Kuwait - U. S. Marines in the Gulf War, 1990-1991, Iraq's Saddam Hussein and the Invasion of Kuwait, Defending Saudi Arabia, Air War, Scuds, Al-Khafji, Harriers Afloat, Fratricide Issues**

The Gulf War of 1991 heralded a new type of warfare that was characterised by astonishing speed and high technology with remarkably low numbers of casualties amongst the coalition forces. Just under a million coalition personnel were deployed to the Gulf region to face a variety of threats from extreme temperatures to weapons of mass destruction (biological, chemical and suspected nuclear) and a formidable Iraqi occupation force. This book assesses the defensive Operation Desert Shield (the build up of coalition forces) and the offensive Operation Desert Storm (the liberation of Kuwait) as well as the key personalities on both sides. In a provocative analysis written during the unfolding drama of 1992, Baudrillard draws on his concepts of simulation and the hyperreal to argue that the Gulf War did not take place but was a carefully scripted media event -- a "virtual" war. Patton's introduction argues that Baudrillard, more than any other critic of the Gulf War, correctly identified the stakes involved in the gestation of the New World Order.

The Gulf Conflict provides the most authoritative and comprehensive account to date of Iraq's occupation of Kuwait, its expulsion by a coalition of Western and Arab forces seven months later, and the aftermath of the war. Blending compelling narrative history with objective analysis, Lawrence Freedman and Efraim Karsh inquire into the fundamental issues underlying the dispute and probe the strategic calculations of all the participants.

Liberating Kuwait is the official history of U.S. Marine Corps operations during the 1990-1991 Gulf War with Iraq. It covers such topics as Marines in the embassies in Kuwait and Iraq, Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm, the Battle of al-Khafji, the liberation of Kuwait, and the amphibious feint. Contains 24 color maps and numerous black and white and color photographs. This is the official USMC history of the First Gulf War, Liberating Kuwait. Every aspect of the historic conflict is covered, including the prelude to the invasion by Iraq and Saddam Hussein, defending Saudi Arabia, the Air War, and the ultimate victory. For the U.S. Marine Corps, the Gulf War was a test of its ability to perform quickly, under pressure, as advertised. A Marine expeditionary force was deployed rapidly and then reinforced, while two Marine expeditionary brigades were also deployed as the Marine Corps continued to support its peacetime commitments. Despite long months of tedium in the desert as the crisis played out, the Marines performed their duties with skill and elan, achieving a remarkable victory against the Iraqi Army in Kuwait and proving the Corps' strategic concepts, most

especially the value of the Maritime Prepositioning Force. The impact of the war on American defense policy and the confidence the Gulf War's success gave to the Marine Corps continue to impact today's national security debates. Liberating Kuwait contents: Chapter 1 - Background to a Flashpoint \* A Brief History of Iraq \* A Brief History of Kuwait \* A Brief History of U.S. Persian Gulf Policy \* The Iran-Iraq War \* The Tanker War \* Chapter 2 - Kuwait Invaded \* The Decision to Invade Kuwait \* The Plan to Invade Kuwait \* The Invasion of Kuwait \* Marines in the Iraqi and Kuwaiti Embassies \* The World's Response \* The American Military Response \* Chapter 3 - Desert Shield \* Marines and Maritime Prepositioning \* 7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade \* Marines Afloat \* A Line in the Sand: Planning to Defend Saudi Arabia \* Meeting of Cultures: Marines and Saudis \* Chapter 4 - Preparing for War \* Imminent Thunder and Amphibious Operations \* Happy Holidays from Saudi Arabia \* Building an Offensive Capability \* Iraq's Defenses \* Planning a Storm \* Trading Desert Rats for Tigers \* Chapter 5 - The Air War \* Marine Air in the Assault \* 17 January: The First Night \* 18 January: The Scuds \* 19 to 27 January \* Marines and the Air Tasking Order \* 28 to 31 January \* Chapter 6 - Preludes to al-Khafji \* Building Kibrit \* Sea Soldier IV \* Artillery Raids and Reconnaissance Patrols \* Iraq's al-Khafji Plan \* Saudi-Marine Relations \* Ra's al-Khafji \* Coalition Dispositions \* 27 to 28 January \* Warnings \* 29 January \* Outposts \* Operation Desert Sting \* Chapter 7 - The Battle of al-Khafji \* Night, 29-30 January. \* 30 January. \* 31 January \* Considerations \* Chapter 8 - The Final

Preparations \* Two Breaches and Shattered Amphibious Dreams \* The "Miracle Well" of Khanjar \* Artillery Raids, Skirmishes, and Patrols \* Marine Air Prepares the Battlefield \* Harriers Afloat \* Fratricide Issues \* Feints and Deceptions \* The Battles of 19-23 February \* Chapter 9 - Breaking the Saddam Line \* 24 February \* 25 February \* Chapter 10 - Liberating Kuwait \* 26 February \* 27 February \* Chapter 11 - Standing Down after Victory \* Cease-Fire \* Al-Wafrah Forest and Faylakah Island \* Leaving the Desert \* A Triumphant Return \* Postwar Iraq: Operations Provide Comfort, Northern Watch, and Southern Watch \* Reflections

Background to a Flashpoint - On 2 August 1990, Iraq invaded Kuwait, sparking the largest armed confrontation in decades as the United States and a Coalition of Western democracies and Arab states demanded that Iraq remove its forces from Kuwait and return to the preinvasion status quo. It was the largest armed conflict to involve the United States since the Vietnam War, and the U.S. Marine Corps was intimately involved with the conflict even before it began.

The Road to Safwan is a complete history of the 1st Infantry Divisions cavalry unit fighting in Operation Desert Storm. Stephen A. Bourque and John W. Burdan III served in the 1st Infantry Bourque in Division Headquarters, Burdan as the Operations Officer of the 1st Squadron, 4th Cavalry. Based on extensive interviews and primary sources, Bourque and Burdan provide the most in-depth coverage to date of a battalion-level unit in the 1991 war, showing how the unit deployed, went into combat, and adapted to

changing circumstances. The authors describe how the officers and men moved from the routine of cold war training to leading the Big Red One in battle through the Iraqi defenses and against the Iraqi Republican Guard. The 1st Squadron, 4th Cavalry participated in the 1st Brigade attack on G-Day, the large tank battle for Objective Norfolk, the cutting of Basra Road, and the capture of Safwan Airfield, the site where General H. Norman Schwartzkopf conducted cease-fire negotiations with the Iraqis. The squadrons activities are placed squarely within the context of both division and corps activities, which illustrates the fog of war, the chain of command, and the uncertainty of information affecting command decisions. The Road to Safwan challenges the myth that technology won the 1991 Persian Gulf War. Contrary to popular view, it was a soldier ' s war not much different from previous conflicts in its general nature. What was different was the quality and intensity of the unit ' s training, which resulted, repeatedly, in successful engagements and objectives secured. It is the story of the people, not the machines, which ultimately led this squadron to the small town of Safwan.

This photographic history of Operation Desert Storm vividly captures the drama and humanity of each stage of the conflict. In the early 1990s, the American military led a coalition of United Nations forces to liberate Kuwait from Iraqi occupation. With more than 180 color photographs, The Gulf War provides a remarkable visual account of the conflict, documenting the vast array of military equipment deployed by both sides in

the air, at sea and on land. Author and military expert Anthony Tucker-Jones, who was an analyst for British Defense Intelligence at the time of the conflict, describes the armed forces that were ranged against each other, including troops, armored vehicles, artillery pieces and aircraft. He also offers a concise overview of key events, including the preliminary air campaign, the elimination of the Iraqi navy, the coalition's ground offensive, tank battles, the liberation of Kuwait City, and more.

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[The Gulf War](#)

***The Gulf War of 1991 was the highest profile media war in history. Never before had so many journalists attempted to cover a war from both sides of the conflict. This book traces the role of the media in the Gulf War and examines the attempts by both the***

*coalition and Iraq to influence public opinion through propoganda and persuasion. Philp Taylor asks how much the public was being told and how much was held back. Analyzing the key news stories of the conflict he looks at the efforts of the American-led coalition to persuade television audiences and newspaper readers to take a "right view" of what was happening and of the Iraqi government's propoganda campaigns concerning civilian damage and the "Mother of all Battles."*

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*to the Gulf to help protect other nations from Hussein. Show your artistic side by designing a comic strip, poster or diorama showcasing some aspect of the Persian Gulf War. Aligned to your State Standards and written to Bloom's Taxonomy, additional hands-on activities, crossword, word search, comprehension quiz and answer key are also included.*

*This book provides a comprehensive analysis and review of the major events and the leading actors of the Gulf War. Copies of key documents and essential factual information build up a picture of the realities of war in the Middle East but the material is set in a strong theoretical framework. This allows the author to see the conflict within the context of the international system and to relate it to the changes of the post-cold-war world.*

*Matthews looks at the shifts in international order which dictated the nature of the international response to the war, but also at the new conditions created by the war itself. What scope is there for Arab socialism after the fall of European socialism? Has the conflict made Israel stronger or weaker? Can the UN be entrusted with the post of global peace-keeper?*

*Seminar paper from the year 2009 in the*



***subject Politics - International Politics - Topic: Peace and Conflict Studies, Security, grade: 1,3, Free University of Berlin (Center for Global Politics), course: International Security, language: English, abstract: The causes of the Gulf War are numerous. On each level of analysis, different reasons can be stated, be it in the personal character of a ruler, the national interest of the state or systemic constraints. From my point of view, there is no single cause that can be made out, but rather every illustrated explanation (and there are many more) accounts for the eruption of the Gulf War. In addition, I want to mention that within this level of analysis approach some important aspects (like values or norms etc.) are neglected, being taken into consideration by other theoretical schools like constructivism.***

***Get the facts about the US-led Operations known as Desert Shield and Desert Storm! We simplify the language so your students will understand the events that occurred shortly after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait, when the United States and other countries sent military forces to the region to defend countries which felt threatened by Saddam Hussein. In 1991, following the failure of Iraqi forces to withdraw from Kuwait, the Coalition***

***began Operation Desert Storm - the freeing of Kuwait and the destruction of Iraq's capability to wage war. Students will learn about the background of the region, the origins of the conflict, and the parties involved. Packed with reading passages, student activities, color mini posters and fun exercises, this resource can be used effectively for whole class, small group and independent work. All of our content is aligned to your State Standards and are written to Bloom's Taxonomy. An ideal resource for test prep.***

***This exhibition catalogue, accompanying the major building-wide exhibition Theater of Operations: The Gulf Wars 1991-2011, includes four new commissioned texts by scholars of Iraqi art Zainab Bahrani, Rijin Sahakian, and Nada Shabout, as well as a media-focused critique from McKenzie Wark. The book will also feature essays from our curators Ruba Katrib and Peter Eleey, as well as critical reproductions from contemporaneous media artifacts, ranging from the Baghdad Diaries--the personal diaries during Iraqi occupation and sanction of artist Nuha Al-Radi--as well as entries from the still-anonymous blogger Riverbend's Baghdad Burning blog chronicling her time***

*living under occupation, as well as texts from Serge Daney, Jean Baudrillard. As this conflict was the first to disseminate via a 24hr televised news cycle, this publication examines the impact of this period of ongoing conflict and its pervasive effects on visual culture.*

*America's attention focused on the Gulf War as briefings and bombings filled the airwaves and pictures and stories filled the print media. But did the American people receive the information that a free press should guarantee?*

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*The invasion and occupation of Kuwait by the Iraqi*

*forces and the resulting Gulf War in 1991 led to unprecedented environmental contamination, the effects of which will be felt for years to come. The air was polluted by emissions from hundreds of burning oil wells, the sea fouled by the largest oil spill in history, and the land scarred by massive bombardment and troop movement. Information regarding this environmental legacy of the Gulf War has hitherto been scattered throughout the popular and scientific press. This is the first book that brings together what is currently known about the environmental aftermath of this tragic war.*

*The Gulf War[b] (2 August 1990 - 28 February 1991) was a war waged by coalition forces from 35 nations led by the United States against Iraq in response to Iraq's invasion and annexation of Kuwait arising from oil pricing and production disputes. It was codenamed Operation Desert Shield (2 August 1990 - 17 January 1991) for operations leading to the buildup of troops and defense of Saudi Arabia and Operation Desert Storm (17 January 1991 - 28 February 1991) in its combat phase. During the coalition air campaign, the damage to Iraq airfields, air defenses, electrical power, biological and chemical weapons caches, headquarters, intelligence assets, communications, and the Iraqi army was devastating. During the 43-day air war, over 100,000 sorties were flown averaging over 2,500 sorties per day. The air campaign and associated ground war proved to the world how modern technology in the hands of the world's finest leaders could dominate the battlefield. This book is an Oral*

*History of the leaders of the air campaign of OPERATION DESERT SHIELD AND OPERATION DESERT STORM. Buy this book now.*

*The Gulf War bore witness to a number of deadly encounters between these two great adversaries. Heavily armored, highly mobile and capable of killing at over 2500m the M1 Abrams is, to this day, a veritable fighting machine. Superior to both Iraq's Soviet era T-55 and T-62 tanks, nearly all sources claim that no Abrams tank has ever been destroyed by enemy fire. Despite entering service in 1980, the M1 Abrams remained untested in combat until the Gulf War in 1991, where it was to be confronted by its archenemy the Iraqi-assembled Soviet-designed T-72. Entering production in 1971, the T-72 arguably outstripped its contemporaries in a balance of mobility, protection and firepower. By the time of Operation Desert Storm, however, the tables had turned and the tank suffered due to low quality ammunition and poorly trained crews. In this fascinating study, Steven Zaloga pits these two great fighting machines against one another, plotting the development of the Cold War until both tanks met in combat in the deserts of Iraq and Kuwait. This series takes a comprehensive look at five major conflicts in the later part of the 20th century. Each stage in the Gulf War, the liberation by American-led UN forces of Iraqi-occupied Kuwait in 1990-91, is vividly described in this photographic history. Over 180 photographs provide a remarkable visual account of Operation Desert Storm in the air, at sea and on land, and they show the vast array of military equipment*

*deployed by both sides. ??Anthony Tucker-Jones, who worked at the time as an analyst for British Defence Intelligence, describes the armed forces that were ranged against each other, in total over a million troops, over 7000 armoured vehicles, 4600 artillery pieces, and thousands of aircraft. ??In a concise text he relates the key events in the short, intense conflict that followed □ the preliminary air campaign, the elimination of the Iraqi navy, the coalition's ground offensive, the tank battles in which American Abrams and British Challengers engaged Soviet-designed T-72 and T-62s, the Iraqi retreat, the death and destruction at the Muttla Pass, and the liberation of Kuwait City. ??The photographs, most of which have not been published before, give a powerful impression of the character of late-twentieth-century warfare. They also record a major conflict that has been overshadowed by the more recent war against Saddam Hussein's Iraq. \*\*This is the chapter slice "The War Begins Gr. 5-8" from the full lesson plan "Persian Gulf War (1990-1991)\*\* Get the facts about the U.S.-led Operation Desert Storm. From 1990 to 1991, our resource highlights the events that occurred shortly after Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Complete a map activity of Iraq. Conduct a research report on the process of extracting oil to establish the motivations behind the invasion of Kuwait. Get to know Saddam Hussein, from his early life to his involvement with the Baath Party, and finally the leader of Iraq. Read about the invasion of Kuwait and how other countries and the UN reacted to this. Learn about Operations Desert Shield and*

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