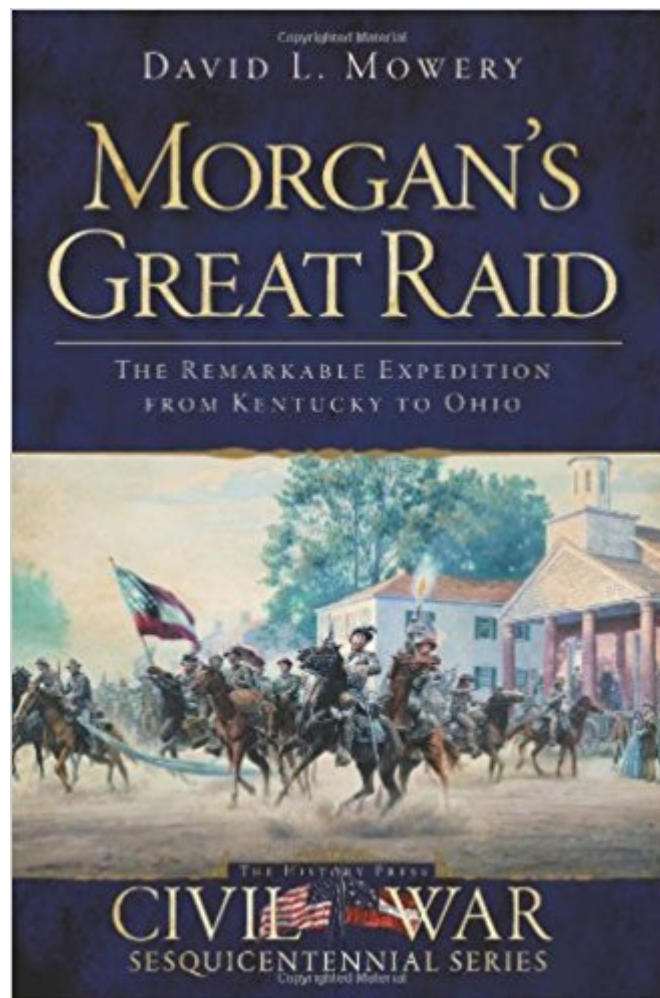




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Synopsis

A military operation unlike any other on American soil, Morgan's Raid was characterized by incredible speed, superhuman endurance and innovative tactics. One of the nation's most colorful leaders, Confederate general John Hunt Morgan, took his cavalry through enemy-occupied territory in three states in one of the longest offensives of the Civil War. The effort produced the only battles fought north of the Ohio River and reached farther north than any other regular Confederate force. With twenty-five maps and more than forty illustrations, Morgan's Raid historian David L. Mowery takes a new look at this unprecedented event in American history, one historians rank among the world's greatest land-based raids since Elizabethan times.

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Customer Reviews

Cincinnati native David L. Mowery has lived along the path of Morgan's Raid for most of his life. In 2001, he joined the Ohio Civil War Trail Commission as its Hamilton County representative and was involved in the final design and historical validation of the entire length of the John Hunt Morgan Heritage Trail of Ohio.

This is an engaging account of John Hunt Morgan's dramatic raid across the Ohio River into Indiana and Ohio in the summer of 1863. The author clearly knows the topic and does an excellent job narrating the raid, especially the battles and skirmishes that took place during it, as well as the Union pursuit. He also clearly explains why Morgan undertook the raid and ruminates some on its

place in military history. The maps are excellent and make it easy to understand the engagements. If you know little about the raid, like me, this book is a great place to start. That said, I did feel like there was not enough detail or analysis in the book. This may not be a fair criticism, since the author makes clear he is trying to give an overview that captures the "flavor" of the raid. He succeeds, but I was interested enough that I wanted to hear more details and experiences from both soldiers and civilians. I also think there is room for further analysis of the raid and its impact, or lack of, on the war and military history in general. Though there is an extensive bibliography in the book, there are no footnotes or endnotes. While I understand the reason for their omission in a series like this, I found it annoying. I do recommend the book for anyone unfamiliar with the raid. It will give you a good overview and may make you want to learn much more about it.

... GOOD PRESENTATION. MY GRANDMOTHER TOLD ME FACE TO FACE ABOUT MORGAN COMING ON THEIR FARM JUST NE OF CAMBRIDGE, OHIO. THEY KNEW HE WOULD BE THERE SO THE MEN TOOK THE BEST HORSES AND HID THEM UP IN THE HOLLER AND THE LADIES GOT BUSY AND COOKED A BIG MEAL. MORGAN CAME, ATE AND THANKED THEM AND WENT ON HIS WAY. real live story.

My Great-Grandfather and an Uncle were in the Raiders, so this has personal meaning to me. However, the book makes me feel like I am there watching this... I am not a big pleasure reader at all, yet I found that I didn't really want to put it down. It's very interesting.

great book considering I live in an area visited by Morgans raiders I even met the author recently

Superb book! Mr. Mowery made it a point to be quite detailed in his presentation. Anyone interested in Morgan's Raid and wants the facts should consider this book!

This is a good read. A knowledge of the area covered by Morgan on his raid would however enhance one's enjoyment of the book. Having said that it is an interesting study of the man and his achievements.

Informative. I especially liked the maps which showed the action of each bout which was described. Good for the history buff

Great read, purchased for a friend, he enjoyed it

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