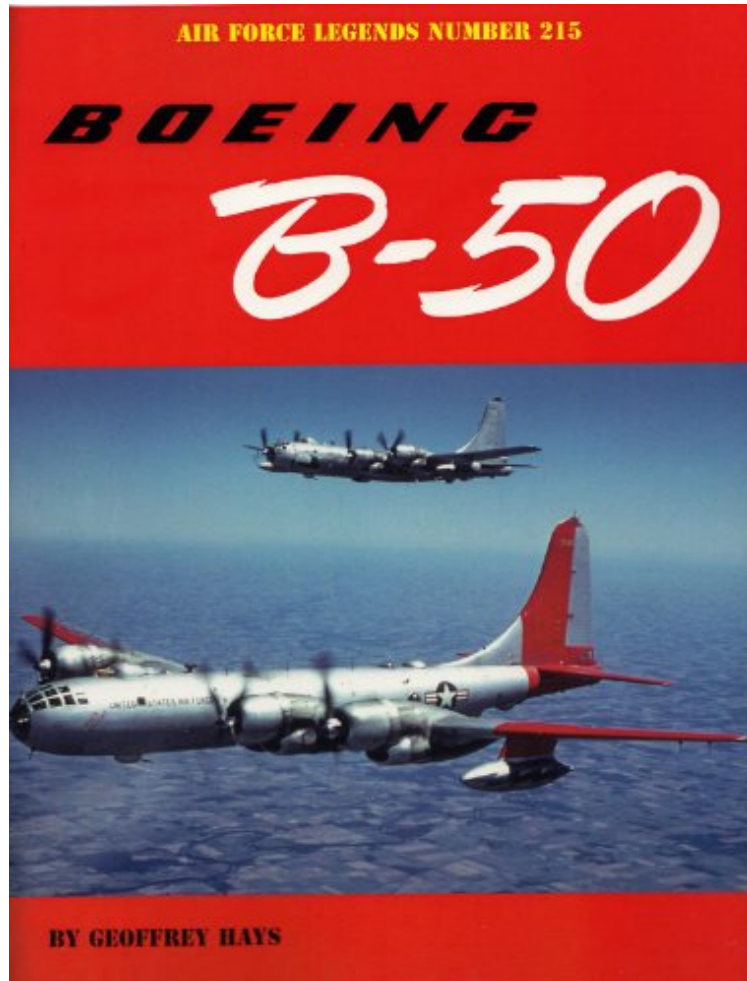


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DayLike many Ginter books this one is filled with information and photos as well as illustrations taken from various flight and maintenance manuals. There's lots of stuff here, including information on the proposed variants. The book is somewhat disorganized, and does not include a table of contents, so it is not easy to find things. But it is a great resource and very interesting. One more caution: for some reason when ordering Ginter books through the shipping has been a problem. I have experienced long waits for the books and then they are shipped in flimsy envelopes, not boxes. This is a softcover book and it will not survive well in a padded envelope. Mine arrived with two dented corners, one corner was badly dented. And requests for replacement were not fulfilled quickly. This has happened twice in a row, so it's not a fluke. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A detailed look at the forgotten bomber By J. Boyle I wasn't sure what to expect, my other books from this series have been a mixed bag, but happily this B-50 book is great. It examines the historic background of the type (basically a long range atom-bomb carrying bomber until the B-36...and ultimately B-52 came on the scene) and describes it model by model. The model by model breakdown is very important since the type was modified for a variety of uses once its days as a front-line bomber were over. Even my usual "go to" book on Air Force aircraft (written by a Boeing authority) didn't go into this kind of detail. Lots of great photos, supplemented by parts of the pilot's handbook and service manuals. My only criticism is lack of color photographs...at this price there should be more than just the covers.

Despite being overshadowed by the B-36 and B-47, the Boeing B-50 was the primary atomic bomber of SAC for nearly seven years. This volume in Steve Ginter's popular Air Force Legends series explores every model of the second Superfortress, including some previously little-known variants. Bombers, reconnaissance platforms, tankers, test birds and trainers are examined in extraordinary detail, supported by photos, drawings and technical illustrations, hundreds of which appear publicly for the first time. A concise text, supported by insightful captions, covers operational and hardware details from its atomic role to unit assignments and deployments. Written by former USAF Museum senior staffer, Geoff Hays, this 240 page volume features seven data tables and over 700 photos and illustrations.

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