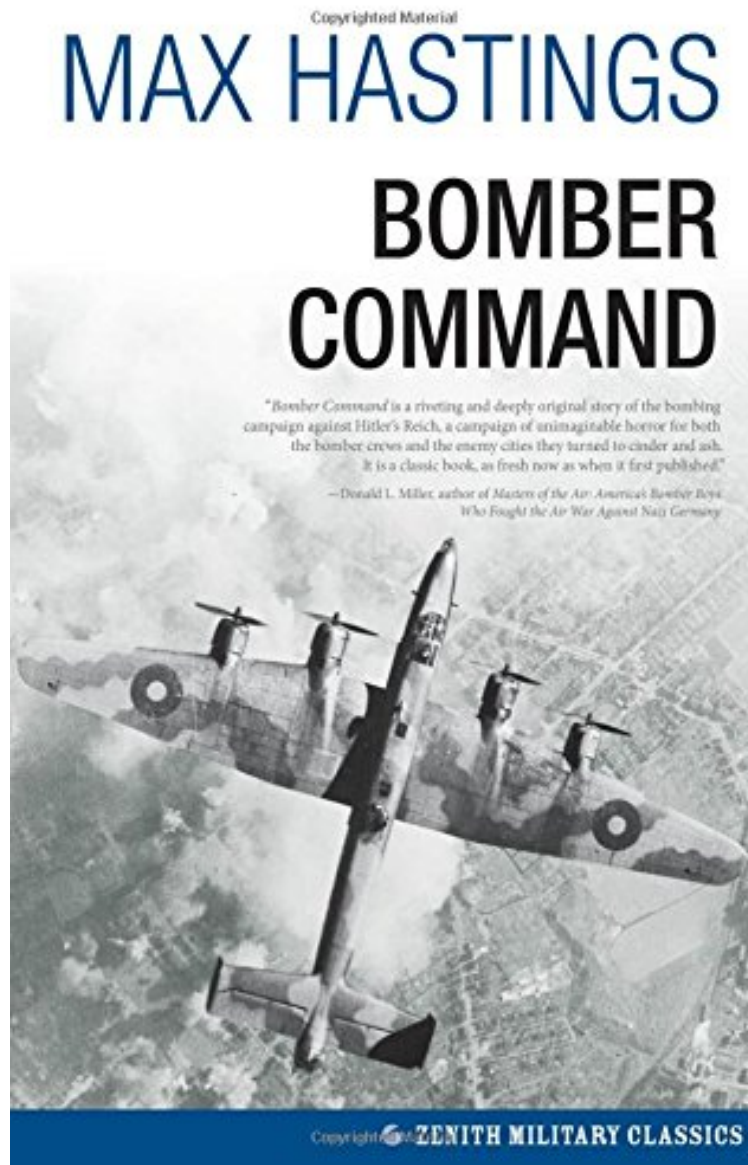


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Max Hastings : Bomber Command (Zenith Military Classics) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Bomber Command (Zenith Military Classics):

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great piece of writing By Steve I love Max's work, they make great audiobooks for times when I will have long periods of down time. They are always well researched and provide interesting small stories that are not commonly known. This book is like all of his other books that I have listened to

this one is fascinating and highly enjoyable. It provided a great look in to the lives and operations surrounding the air force. One of my favorite little remarks is about the pilot with the nickname "cheese". Overall, if this kind of book is your thing, I highly recommend Bomber Command. As I alluded to earlier, I got the MP3 CD version of this book because I prefer to listen to books. The MP3 CD was very easy to copy on to my computer to put on my phone. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. It is easy to see why this is a classic text. By Ted Merry It is easy to see why this is a classic text. Hastings writes well and easily, never getting bogged down in the detail, but still conveying the complexity. He traces the development of Bomber Command from the peacetime assumptions, through the rude shocks of trying to wage war and then to the professionalism of the later stages of the war. His collected anecdotes give an individual "face" to what was actually happening in the air, and he keeps a very keen eye on the human cost of the effort, never allowing "the brass" off the hook. I enjoyed reading it very much and feel I know much more than when I opened the book. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. The account gives one a picture of the sacrifices and hardships that the bomber crews endured at a great cost in lives and with By TrickydA well written account of the strategic bombing war in WWII written from a British perspective. The account gives one a picture of the sacrifices and hardships that the bomber crews endured at a great cost in lives and with the crews operating under horrendous circumstances for little strategic gain. This changed in 1944 once the Luftwaffe was largely vanquished. It is also a story of large egos and what can happen when reputation outstripped reality and when heroes are perpetuated without substance. In this largely fact based story the real heroes are the thousands of bomber crews that night after night whitened their knuckles, swallowed their fears and bravely manned those angels of death over Germany. We are very grateful they did.

Bomber Command's air offensive against the cities of Nazi Germany was one of the most epic campaigns of World War II. More than 56,000 British and Commonwealth aircrew and 600,000 Germans died in the course of the RAF's attempt to win the war by bombing. The struggle in the air began meekly in 1939 with only a few Whitleys, Hampdens, and Wellingtons flying blindly through the night on their ill-conceived bombing runs. It ended six years later with 1,600 Lancasters, Halifaxes, and Mosquitoes, equipped with the best of British wartime technology, blazing whole German cities in a single night. Bomber Command, through its fits and starts, grew into an effective fighting force. In Bomber Command, originally published to critical acclaim in the U.K., famed British military historian Sir Max Hastings offers a captivating analysis of the strategy and decision-making behind one of World War II's most violent episodes. With firsthand descriptions of the experiences of aircrew from 1939 to 1945 - based on one hundred interviews with veterans - and a harrowing narrative of the experiences of Germans on the ground during the September 1944 bombing of Darmstadt, Bomber Command is widely recognized as a classic account of one of the bloodiest campaigns in World War II history. Now back in print in the U.S., this book is an essential addition to any history reader's bookshelf.

From the Back Cover Sir Max Hastings, recipient of the 2012 Pritzker Military Library Literature Award for Lifetime Achievement in Military Writing, has written one of the classic accounts of World War II.