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**Jay Jorgensen : The Wheatfield at Gettysburg: A Walking Tour** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Wheatfield at Gettysburg: A Walking Tour:

4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. A must for Wheatfield visitors...By Cynthia K. RobertsonThe battle in the Wheatfield at Gettysburg on July 2,1863 was one of the most complicated and confusing in three days of fighting. Jay Jorgensen's The Wheatfield at Gettysburg: A Walking Tour is a must for any visitor who wants a better understanding of what took place, and where. The Wheatfield at Gettysburg is a small book, but it packs a punch. I wish I had a copy with me the last times I visited the battlefield.Jorgensen does not attempt to provide an in-depth study on this pivotal battle. But he does give a general overview of the three phases of the battle. He also outlines a tour with 22 stops that takes one through the Wheatfield, the Triangle, Rose's Woods, the Devil's Den, and Little Round Top. The stops include markers, monuments, the Rose farmhouse, battery positions, the Stone Wall and views of the area. The author also includes seven "excursion trips," which "are off the beaten path, and take a little extra time to find." Two of these excursions are a natural rifle pit and the foundation for the Timbers' house.The Wheatfield of Gettysburg also includes additional information including battle maps of the three phases, lists of Union and Confederate Troops (including strengths and losses), a list of all the monuments and the dates they were dedicated, and additional reading suggestions. I take a personal interest in the Wheatfield, having a great-great-grandfather who fought and was injured there as part of the Third Corps. I am already planning my next trip to Gettysburg, and I will be sure to bring Jorgensen's informative book.8 of 8 people found the following review helpful. For those about to

walk...By Harriett Brunelle Having been to Gettysburg once, and after having read Jorgensen's book "Gettysburg's Bloody Wheatfield", it seems to me that this book will help me when I return this summer to focus my attention properly as I walk this area of the battlefield. The booklet is well-written and contains what appears to be a fine tour. Having some optional side-trips is also nice - gives you some sense of different ways to schedule your walk. My only nit is that instead of putting little teasers about things you may see, he should have just come out and said what was where in all cases. --- Having just returned from the 'burg, and having performed this tour, I'd have to bump this up to a 5 (if I could). It was /very/ helpful for my son and I to get a feel for what happened that day. The instructions were /mostly/ good - because of the massive work being done in this area to try and recreate the conditions of early July 1863 some directions are troublesome. [In particular, the excursion to find the Timbers Foundation was a bust.] In any event, having Mr. Jorgensen's fine tour as a guide enabled me to understand things I /never/ would have figured out without this book. If you are heading to Gettysburg, and have an inkling to learn more about the Wheatfield area on your own, this book is a must!

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. VERY INTERESTING

By Charles J. Gallatin This is one of the most accurate and interesting books if you are interested in the Battle of Gettysburg. Lots of details and facts.

This is a must have book for anybody who wants to understand the fighting in the Wheatfield at Gettysburg on July 2, 1863. The book is a detailed walking tour of the fight that enables you to traverse the Wheatfield and see where and how the fight took place over a three hour period. This book is an excellent companion to Gettysburg's Bloody Wheatfield, the best single volume on this part of the Battle of Gettysburg.

From the Author After I finished researching and writing Gettysburg's Bloody Wheatfield I realized that it would be a great benefit to everybody with an interest in the Battle of Gettysburg that companion book was needed. I have spent countless hours walking every part of the Wheatfield, and thought this book would be an excellent way to help others come to understand the action. I've led many people in the Wheatfield, describing the action that occurred there on July 2, 1863. The Wheatfield at Gettysburg: A Walking Tour allows readers to experience that same level of detail on their own.

About the Author Jay Jorgensen is a Superior Court Judge in New Jersey. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree in History from Fairleigh Dickinson University, and his Masters of Arts degree in Military History, with honors in Civil War Studies, from American Military University. Jay received his Juris Doctorate degree from Villanova University School of Law. An award winning author, his Gettysburg's Bloody Wheatfield received the Bachelder-Coddington Award as the outstanding new book on Gettysburg in 2002. His The Wheatfield at Gettysburg: A Walking Tour is a popular selection with visitors to Gettysburg. He is the editor and co-author of Top Ten at Gettysburg. In addition to his legal and literary works, he leads tours of American battlefields from the Revolutionary War and Civil War.