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# Parade Medal Bars Of The Third Reich



## Synopsis

Presented for the first time in detail, this examination of German medal bars covers a subject long overlooked in reference books. Illustrating over one-hundred German medal bars in full color, both obverse and reverse views are shown, as well as close up images that highlight some of the finer details. Medal bars of the military, police, political, and civil organizations are covered. Examples of original award documents are shown, as well as period photographs of medal bars in wear. Information is also presented on maker markings, medal identification, the material used to make the medal, finishes, and measurements.

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## Customer Reviews

Very good condition

My initial somewhat doubtful perception of this book as a "coffee table show piece" was fully reversed upon examining & reading it. Closely defined attention to detail & documentation hallmark this work. This is a well written and illustrated, first class scholar's product!! Tho not especially interested in 3rd Reich awards for themselves, I highly recommend this book. As usual, beat the competition on price as well.

Good pics (colored) and with an interesting information!A "must have one"!

Excellent, excellent book for collectors of Parade Uniforms. Covers everything one would want to know, would need to look for, when purchasing or restoring. Can't recommend enough!

This is a must have reference book for novice and advanced collectors. Even if you are not a collector this book is a great educational tool on history and also on many Third Reich medals. This book exceeded my expectations in many areas such as quality, content and explanations. Every page is a beautiful high quality gloss with exceptional high quality photographs. The background on each medal is also laid out in a well thought out, informative and concise fashion. I increased my knowledge about medals I already knew a lot about by reading this!! I bought this book as just a point of general interest. I am more involved in individual medals. I was surprised!!! The front part of this book talks about individual medals mounted on parade bars. This allows the Author to fully explain details of each medal. For example he gets down to detail about a certain medal was made w/ zinc vs. bronze etc. This Author really did his homework! The author even touches on some aspects of good "house practice" when looking at medals to buy and learning to that gut feelings intertwined with real facts. Again, even if you are not a "true" medal bar collector this book will prove to be a valuable cornerstone book in your reference library. The other aspect this book is used for the identification of medals. I had some older WWI medals and I wasn't able to identify. Obviously, a lot of these Parade Bars include the individuals service in the first World War. This is also a great book for the World War I genre' of collectors as well! No one has ever written a book like this on Parade Medal Bars. I have a few Parade Bars and now have a great newfound appreciation for them. I never knew all the different types of wraps and such that were used. The author outlines each one. Again, I can't say enough good things about this book. It is the best money I have ever spent on a reference book. Thank you, Scott

I was buying this book hoping that it would give me some direction in collecting medal bars. I was more than pleased with the quality of the photography and the content of the information. What I really like about this author is that he IS NOT afraid to point out "medal swapping" where two medals share the same ribbon and someone "swaps in" the more expensive or desirable medal to sell the item for more. He even points out what to look for. A lot of these reference books rely on collectors to share their items for the book and thus the writer is afraid to give REAL criticism of the items. However these medals are ALL in the author's personal collection. Therefore you will get the REAL TRUTH about each of them. It's one of my favorites, don't miss out on it.

.....as one of the last great imperial German military historians said to me in 2010, "He sucked in all the information out there like a sponge.....there is not a single mistake in it". This was very high praise indeed considering the source. There is still more to write on this subject, much more, but this is a good basic informational work. Now that almost all of the first and second generation of imperial German medal collectors are gone, this will serve as the best place to start for English language readers.

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