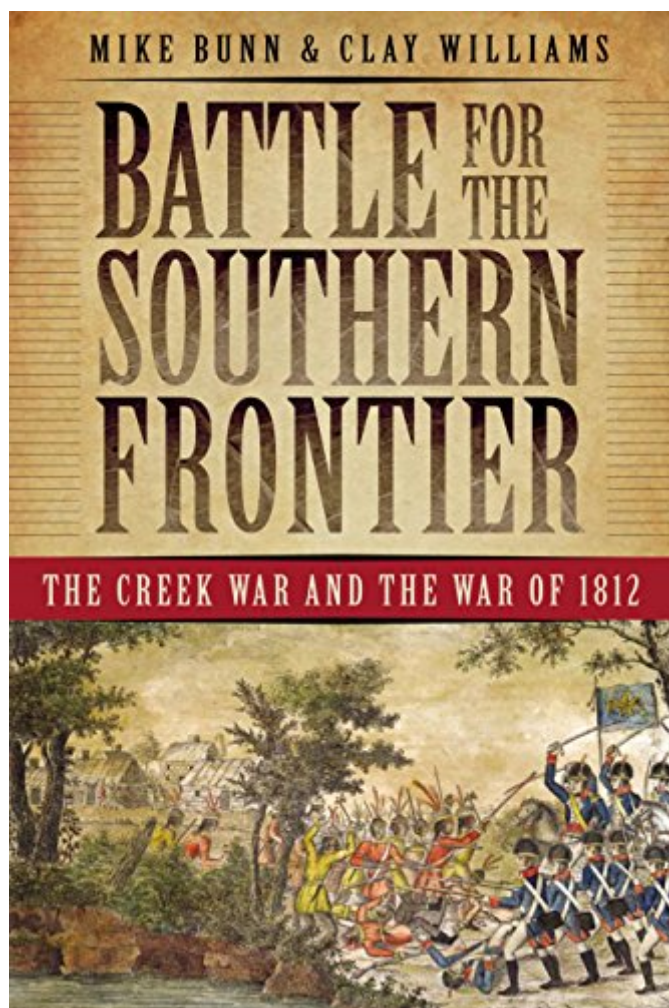


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# Battle For The Southern Frontier: The Creek War And The War Of 1812



## Synopsis

This comprehensive book is the first to chronicle both wars and document the sites on which they were fought. It sheds light on how the wars led to the forced removal of Native Americans from the region, secured the Gulf South against European powers, facilitated increased migration into the area, furthered the development of slavebased agriculture and launched the career of Andrew Jackson.

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The book provides a lot of good detail on the Creek War in what is now Alabama and less on action in Florida and Louisiana. According to the authors, the book grew out of a pre-Katrina history project for Mississippi, but the information on the Choctaws is a bit sketchy. The Choctaw and the Creek, both tribes of the Gulf Coast and both with a similar culture (including language), took two different paths in the face of European and American pressure on their ancestral homelands. The Creeks, allied with Britain since the Revolutionary War, took the path of direct confrontation. The Choctaw, former allies of the French, took a more negotiated path with America. This path brought both tribes

into direct conflict. Little mention is made of this dynamic and that is a shame. This is a period of history I find very intriguing and feel that this was a lost opportunity to look at inter-tribal politics and relations with the Euro-American world. A group of about 50 (maybe more) Choctaws will go on to fight at New Orleans, but how many and were the Choctaw at New Orleans native to the area surrounding Lake Pontchartrain? Were they from the southern or the eastern chiefdom? Also missing is a comprehensive look at the post-Pensacola campaign against hostile Creek and Seminole villages in East Florida. I feel that the lack of detail about the post-Creek War period is a major weakness with the book's attempt to place the Creek War within the larger context of the Anglo-American War of 1812.

The book provided a great deal of detail that occurred in this theater of war; however, when I want to refer to the maps, I could barely read them. The print and the map was too small for the amount of detail the author was trying to reference. My suggestion would be to enlarge the map to one page so some of the details are visible.

My pioneer ancestors dealt with the Creeks in the early 1820s on the frontier of Alabama in what is now Clarke County and my gg grandmother was scalped during William Weatherford's raid on Ft Sinquefield and I have an interest in that era. I found this book very informative and recommend it.

this book was and is a bitter disappointment, the type is so shiny i cannot read it under my reading lamp, it looks like a decal! and most of the illustrations are totally illegible.

This is a must have book for anyone interested in learning more about the War of 1812 and the following years when the British were determined to take back the colonies.

Fine

The authors have assembled a wealth of material about the Creek War and the resulting War of 1812. The book belongs in every Southern library for reference purposes. It is recommended reading for serious history students.

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