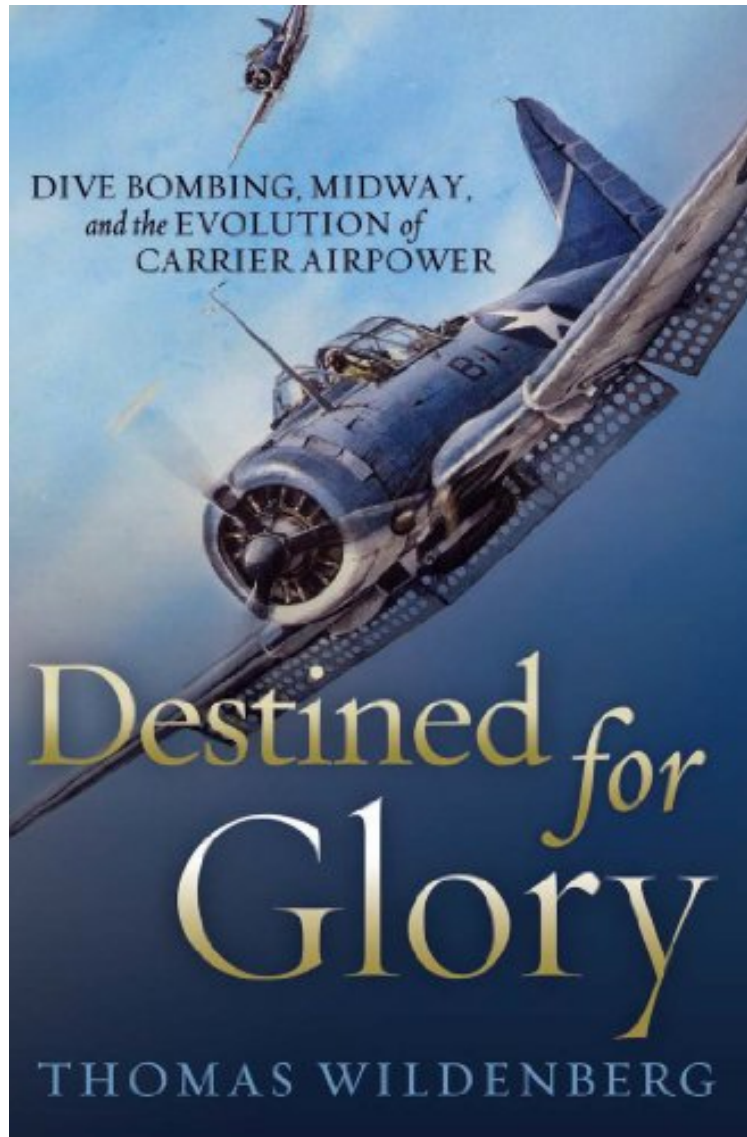


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Von Thomas Wildenberg : Destined for Glory: Dive Bombing, Midway, and the Evolution of Carrier Airpower before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Destined for Glory: Dive Bombing, Midway, and the Evolution of Carrier Airpower:

Kundenrezensionen Hilfreichste Kundenrezensionen 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. The background to how the USN developed Dive Bombing Von Ein Kunde DESTINED FOR GLORY: DIVE BOMBING,

MIDWAY AND THE EVOLUTION OF CARRIER AIRPOWER. The title is a bit misleading, Midway is barely covered. Instead Thomas Wildenberg creates an excellent story on the development of dive bombing as a weapon and doctrine. Unfortunately when he comes to the first six months of WWII he goes flat. The chance to tie all the operational and tactical developments together and relate them to Coral Sea and Midway is muffed. The two chapters dealing with the first carrier battles are little more than simple walk throughs of the action. I sense the editors at Naval Institute Press told him to cut a hundred pages or so. Good thing he cut the battle stuff (if he did) as the first 17 chapters are invaluable in understanding the VS and the VB way of war. If you've read Lundstrom's Coral Sea and Midway chapters then this book will give you the background to understand those actions even better. This book goes on my must read list for those wishing to understand more than the surface of the naval war in the Pacific. Ben Those who fail to study History are doomed to never get the joke. 0 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Needs 2nd Edition Von Dennis Reilly DESTINED FOR GLORY seems to be a well researched book on the development of dive bombing in the USN during the '20s and '30s. Unfortunately, the book contains numerous errors, probably the result of sloppy proof reading rather than ignorance of the subject. I hope that Mr. Wildenberg will correct the errors and that a corrected version of DESTINED FOR GLORY will be published. It is an important book. However, the recognizable errors cause me to wonder how much of it is documented fact.

Kurzbeschreibung On 4 June 1942, three squadrons of U.S. Navy Dauntless dive bombers destroyed Japan's carrier force at Midway and changed the course of the Pacific war. As Wildenberg demonstrates in this book, the key ingredient to the Navy's success was the planning and training devoted to the tactic of dive bombing. Examining how political, economic, technical, and operational factors influenced the development of carrier airpower between 1925 and 1942, he shows why dive bombing became the Navy's weapon of choice. He also pays tribute to the select group of naval aviators who drove the evolution of carrier tactics. Although many books have been written about the Battle of Midway, this is the first to focus on how the Navy came to develop the one aerial weapon that proved to be the decisive instrument of victory