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The Anglo-Boer War in 100 Objects brings the victories and the tragedies and the full extent of the human drama behind this war to life through 100 iconic artifacts. While a Mafeking siege helps to illustrate the acute shortages caused by the siege, a spade used by a Scottish soldier at Magersfontein and the boots of a Boer soldier who died at Spion Kop tell of the severity of some of the famous battles. The book follows the course of the war but also highlights specific themes such as British and Boer weaponry, medical services and POW camps, as well as major figures on both sides. The text is interspersed with striking historical images from the museums photographic collection. More than 200 additional objects have been included to help tell the story of a conflict that left an indelible mark on the South African landscape. As the second Boer War continues in 1900, Louis Wessels, having been nursed back to health by his fiancée after a serious wound, leads his commando to defeat the British at the battle of Spionkop. From short, easy one-night escapes suitable for the whole family, to hard-core mountain adventures that will test even the most experienced, competitive racers, the 34 trails of southern Africa's best multi-day trails and wilderness journeys featured in Free Wheeling cover the full spectrum of mountain bike tours available in South Africa and neighbouring countries. A guide and support vehicle accompanies most of the tours, meaning that someone else takes care of the logistics and you are left free to enjoy the best that mountain biking offers. Whether you want to ride with big game, along empty beaches, through verdant forest or across barren deserts you'll find a trail to suit, and there are also some specialist trails that are aimed at birders, gourmants and culture-vultures. As the waiting list for the stage races grow (and with them the entry fees) touring offers an alternative way to get on the dirt fix - an active holiday with a group of friends or family. After riding the inaugural Tour de Wilderness mountain bike tour, photojournalist Fiona McIntosh tried her hand at stage racing, completing the ABSA Cape Epic in 2007. She's now a social rider who looks forward to a soft good meal and some fine wine after a hard day in the saddle. Three-dimensional cutaway illustrations and floor plans of key landmarks complement these richly illustrated, fully updated travel handbooks that also include enhanced maps, street-by-street guides, background

information on a host of popular sights, and an expanded traveler's survival guide providing tips on hotels, restaurants, local customs, transportation, medical services, museums, entertainment, and more. South Africa is a country on the move, with more and more travelers making their way to this fascinating land. This Rough Guide covers all the major sights in South Africa, from Table Mountain to the wildlife of Kruger National Park, plus a few surprises in between. 16-page color wildlife guide. 60 maps & plans. At the outbreak of the Second Anglo-Boer War in 1899, a large number of Hollanders and Dutch expatriates joined the Boers, their reasons ranging from loyalty to their common ancestry to strong anti-British sentiments and a search for adventure. *Brothers in Arms* documents the trials and tribulations of these volunteers – most of them unaccustomed to the harsh landscape and climate of South Africa. Quotations and personal anecdotes from the diaries and memoirs vividly bring to life their hardships on commando, the thunder and chaos of battle, and the trauma of comrades falling around them. Some of the prominent figures in the book are Cornelius van Gogh, brother of the painter Vincent van Gogh; the Dutch artist Frans Oerder, who became the Transvaal's first official war artist; Jochem van Bruggen, four-times winner of the coveted Hertzog Prize for Afrikaans literature; and Rev. Herman van Broekhuizen, who played rugby for South Africa in 1896 and later served as South African ambassador in The Hague. *Brothers in Arms* covers the full spectrum of the Hollanders' roles as soldiers at the various battle fronts, ambulance personnel and military attachés, and their life in prisoner-of-war camps overseas. From the wilds of Kruger National Park, to cosmopolitan Cape Town, to the lush western cape winelands, to the stunning beaches along the Garden Route, this guide leads you straight to the greatest attractions this fascinating and varied country has to offer. Get inside on everything from the best shopping, restaurants, and hotels, to outdoor activities such as water watching, surfing, and hiking, as well as practical information on how to get around. As a bonus, a comprehensive field guide—which includes the birds of South Africa—helps you get the most out of your time on safari. Discover DK Eyewitness Travel Guide: South Africa. + Hotel and restaurant listings and recommendations. + Detailed itineraries and "don't-miss" destination highlights at a glance. + Illustrated cutaway 3-D drawings of important sights. + Floor plans and guided visit information for major museums. + Guided walking tours, local drink and dining specialties to try, things to do, and places to eat, drink, and shop by area. + Area maps marked with sights and restaurants. + Detailed city maps include street finder index for easy navigation. + Insights into history and culture to help you understand the stories behind the sights. + Suggested day-trip itineraries to explore beyond the city. With hundreds of full-color photographs, hand-drawn illustrations, and custom maps that illuminate every page, DK Eyewitness Travel Guide: South Africa truly shows you this country as no one else can. An account of the making of South Africa as we know it. Based on many years of research with regard to the Anglo-Boer War, this book is essential reading for anyone who would like to know more about the most devastating conflict that has thus far been waged between white people in Southern Africa. However, with due course, the war also involved more and more black, brown and, to some extent, Asian people. "Good focus on context" pinpoints the historical significance of the single bloodiest episode in the Second Boer War—from a Zulu warfare expert (FGS Forum). Spion Kop, just northeast of Ladysmith, South Africa, was the largest hill in the region, being over 1,400 feet high, and it lay almost exactly in the center of the Boer line. If the British could capture this position and bring artillery to the hill, they would then command the flanks of the surrounding Boer positions. On the night of January 24, 1900, a large British force under Maj. Gen. Edward Woodgate was dispatched to secure the height, with Lt. Col. Alexander Thorneycroft selected to lead the initial assault. However, the Boers refused to give up the position, and a bitter two days of fighting ensued . . . Ron Lock,

esteemed author of many Zulu warfare histories, brings to life this bitter and previously overlooked campaign in vivid and complete detail, with supporting sources including then-journalist Winston Churchill's battle report, as well as many previously unpublished illustrations and six newly commissioned maps. His account will be valuable to both historians and strategists wanting to better understand this difficult and devastating conflict. "An excellent read, well researched and incisive in his handling of the various protagonists involved. He succeeds in offering a fresh perspective." —Al Venter, author of *Barrel of a Gun Now* available in PDF form

DK Eyewitness Travel Guide: South Africa will lead you straight to the best attractions South Africa has to offer. Packed with information, detailed maps, beautiful cutaways, and floor plans of all major sites, this guide explores every facet of the "Rainbow Nation." This edition also introduces a new 56-page field guide to South Africa's wildlife and the safari experience, with detailed information on safaris, wildlife preserves, and local species. From Zulu culture to majestic lions, DK Eyewitness Travel: South Africa is packed with essential information, whatever your budget. This fully updated and expanded South Africa guide provides comprehensive guidance on the best things to do in South Africa, from exploring the Palace of the Lost City to Kruger National Park to experiencing the multifaceted culture of a country with 11 official languages! The DK Eyewitness Travel Guide: South Africa provides all the insider tips every visitor to South Africa needs, with dozens of reviews for South African hotels, recommendations for South African restaurants, tips for shopping, and all the best places for entertainment. Do not miss a thing on your vacation with the DK Eyewitness Guide to South Africa.

Memorial for the South African Republican Armed Forces killed at the Battle of Spion Kop on Jan. 23-24, 1900, during the Second Boer War. Faulty and inadequate reconnaissance of the area by Buller's men was no match for the meticulous planning of the young Boer general, Louis Botha. The outcome of this battle - Buller's first and failed attempt to relieve Ladysmith - was a serious reverse for British arms. Battles of the Anglo-Boer War series provides an accessible guide to some of the most important battles. In 1899 the Boers, armed with the latest European rifles and artillery, drove through Natal to help themselves to a seaport - Durban - only to spend their energies in laying siege to the market and railway town of Ladysmith. The Rough Guide to Game Parks of South Africa Make the most of your time on Earth with the ultimate travel guides. World-renowned 'tell it like it is' travel guide, now with free eBook. Discover the Game Parks of South Africa with this comprehensive and entertaining travel guide packed with practical information and honest recommendations by our independent experts. Whether you plan to take a jeep safari, tick off the big five or sleep in a camp in the lap of luxury. The Rough Guide to the Game Parks of South Africa will help you discover the best places to explore, eat, drink, shop and sleep along the way. Features of this travel guide to Game Parks of South Africa: - Detailed regional coverage: provides practical information for every kind of trip from off-the-beaten-track adventures to chilled-out breaks in popular tourist areas - Honest independent reviews: written with Rough Guides' trademark blend of humour, honesty and expertise, our writers will help you make the most from your trip to South Africa - Meticulous mapping: practical full-colour maps, with clearly numbered, colour-coded keys. Find your way around Kruger National Park, aHluhluwe-Imfolozi Park and many more locations without needing to get online - Fabulous full-colour photography: features inspirational colour photography, including a field guide to the animals you are likely to see - Time-saving itineraries: carefully planned routes will help inspire and inform your on-the-road experiences - Things not to miss: Rough Guides' rundown of the animals you shouldn't miss and the parks' best sights and experiences - Travel tips and info: packed with essential pre-departure information including getting around, accommodation, food and drink, health and outdoor activities, culture and

etiquette, shopping and more - Background information: comprehensive 'Contexts' chapter provides fascinating insights into the wildlife of South Africa - The ultimate travel tool: download the free eBook to access all this from your phone or tablet You may also be interested in: Rough Guide to South Africa; Rough Guide to Kenya; Rough Guide to Cape Town The Winelands and The Garden Route About Rough Guides: Rough Guides have been inspiring travellers for over 30 years, with over 30 million copies sold globally. Synonymous with practical travel tips, quality writing and a trustworthy 'tell it like it is' ethos, the Rough Guides list includes more than 260 travel guides to 120+ destinations, gift-books and phrasebooks. October 14, 1066. June 18, 1862. June 1-3, 1863. Find out why these dates and others will live in infamy in Great Battles. Learn what led up to the battles. Get to know key historical figures. Put yourself on the battlefield to learn about military strategy and resulting casualties. Learn what weapons and tactics were used. Finally, discover the reasons behind the victories and losses, as well as the aftermath of each pivotal conflict in world history. Black and white and color photographs, illuminating quotations, maps, charts, a glossary, an index, and book links round out this exciting and informative series. Aligned to Common Core Standards and correlated to state standards. Abdo & Daughters is an imprint of Abdo Publishing, a division of ABDO. Written by local experts, Fodor's travel guides have been offering advice and professionally vetted recommendations for all tastes and budgets for 80 years. Everything about Africa that stirs the imagination is concentrated in its southernmost country. Lions freely roam vast game reserves such as Kruger National Park; vineyards stretch across the Cape Winelands; and mountains cascade into the sea along miles of beaches. In addition to dream safaris and romantic honeymoons, South Africa offers modern cities with thriving arts and dining scenes. South Africans are welcoming, and the country's emergence from a turbulent past provides a dramatic history lesson and the promise of something new every time you visit. This travel guide includes: •SAFARI PLANNING: Reviews of new safari camps, safari-planning tips, and recommended tour companies •DISCERNING RECOMMENDATIONS: Hundreds of hotel and restaurant recommendations, with Fodor's Choice designating our top picks •ULTIMATE EXPERIENCES GUIDE contains a brief introduction and spectacular color photos that capture the ultimate experiences and attractions throughout South Africa •MULTIPLE ITINERARIES to help make the most of your time exploring the top attractions •INDISPENSABLE TRIP PLANNING TOOLS: Each chapter opens with an orientation spread that includes a map, short descriptions of each region, and the top reasons to go •COVERS: Cape Town, Cape Winelands, Johannesburg, Durban, The Garden Route, Kruger National Park, The Western Cape, KwaZulu-Natal, Little Karoo, The Kalahari, The Sunshine Coast, The Drakensberg, Mpumalanga, Sabi Sand Looking specifically to plan a Safari trip? Check out Fodor's The Complete Guide to African Safaris This study provides students, historians, other academics and scholars, as well as other researchers and anyone interested in the history of the Anglo-Boer War, with as comprehensive a list as possible of all postgraduate studies completed on any conceivable aspect of the war, as well as any other postgraduate studies which refer, to some extent, to the conflict. When windmill-dodgers Dave Bristow and Steve Thomas followed their dream to blaze (and map) a mountain bike trail across South Africa, they hoped to be spared howling headwinds, freezing rain and slushy terrain. They weren't, yet were not deterred from having a mud-splattering good time. The result, the Spine of the Dragon trail, is the country's ultimate mountain bike tour, covering a distance of 4000km from Beit Bridge to Cape Town. Aimed at the average off-road rider, the 58-day trail through South Africa and Lesotho is broken into nine sections, each with several stages. The entire course can be done in one go, or as a series of shorter rides - ideal for those with boundless enthusiasm.

but limited time. The authors offer valuable advice on preparing for the trail that includes suggested clothing, gear, bike maintenance, food and safety. Each day's route is described in detail and includes:

- Customised, annotated map with GPS points
- Total daily distance
- Difficulty grading: from short and easy to long and hard
- Entertaining insight into the people and places along the way
- Engaging photographs
- Accommodation suggestions and contact details

When he's not out cycling, David Bristow writes for a living. He is the former editor of *Getaway* travel magazine and the author of more than a dozen books for Random House Struik. Steve Thomas discovered mountain bikes while living in the US in the 1980s. Upon his return to South Africa in 1992, he established Daytrippers, South Africa's oldest and biggest bicycle touring company. This book is a collection of papers presented at the 11th International Conference on Military Geoscience that was held in 2015. The conference included discussion on a diverse range of geosciences, including military history, military geology, teaching geology from a military perspective, geological influence on the battlefield, and environmental and cultural issues relating to management of military lands. Geology and geography have played a significant role in military history, from providing the stone for primitive tools and weapons, to the utilization of terrain for offensive and defensive strategies. Specific to this volume, deserts comprise nearly a third of Earth's surface and have been the site of numerous battles where the dust, heat, and a lack of food and water have provided challenges to military leaders and warriors. This book examines the role of deserts in past and modern warfare, the problems and challenges in managing military lands in desert regions, and how desert environmental conditions can impact military equipment and personnel. This proceedings volume should be of interest to scholars, professionals, and those interested in military history, warfare, geology, geography, cultural resources, general science, and military operations. This book is a salute to the skill and bravery demonstrated on 22 of the world's most famous battlegrounds, offering exciting accounts of key phases in the battles that focus on the influence and usage of the terrain. It is illustrated with historic photographs and extremely detailed mapping showing the positions and movements of the fighting forces. For the most impressive battles, the book features stunning 3-D maps which focus on pivotal moments in the action. These maps combine artwork and advanced software applications, making use of detailed topographical information, light and weather conditions, to create authentic representations of the action on the day. In addition, there will be information on what you can see on a visit to the sites today, and contact details for tour companies and battle parks. The list of battles was compiled by studying a variety of sources on what are regarded as key battles in the period 1805 to 1945, in consultation with Michael Rayner of the Battlefields Trust and specialist military authors. The chosen battlefields are all served by battlefield tour companies, or cater for self-guided tours, and in each case still feature much of interest to see today. The final consideration was whether the sites are safe to visit. These final two considerations have ruled out most post-1945 sites, hence the period covered spans the eventful 150 years from 1805 to 1899. Great Britain was at the pinnacle of its Imperial power. Yet the British army was destined to be defeated by a citizen militia composed of South African frontier farmers - the Boers. In one week in December 1899 the farmers of the South African Boer Republics of the Orange Free State and the Transvaal inflicted three serious reverses on British troops. This book sets the battles in context and explains the failure of a professional army, skilled in the fighting techniques of the nineteenth century, when faced with an enemy whose weapons and tactics foreshadowed the warfare of the twentieth. KwaZulu-Natal has numerous sites of great historic value, many of which are protected by law. Sue Derwent has assembled in the pages of this book over a hundred historic, important, beautiful and interesting sites and some that are simply fun visits. Experience

battlefields guide Nicki von der Heyde presents 71 battles covering three wars and a series of conflicts that shaped the course of South Africa's history – from the colonial clashes that characterised the 18th and 19th centuries through to the Anglo-Zulu War of 1879 and the 2nd Anglo-Boer War of 1899–1902. Informative and lively accounts of the engagements are provided with special attention given to the context, action, outcomes and principal combatants involved. Arranged in provincial and regional order, the Field Guide to the Battlefields of South Africa includes an array of special features that allow for an enthralling and multi-layered account of the battles: • 580 images • 80 illustrated timelines • 60 fact and feature boxes • 16 annotated battle maps • 10 regional locator maps • Detailed directions to each site • GPS co-ordinates for inaccessible locations. Comprehensive, compelling and vividly illustrated, the Field Guide to the Battlefields of South Africa is an indispensable tool for professional and amateur military historians as well as anyone interested in exploring South Africa's fascinating history.

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