

Military Knife Fighting

Tactical knives are the fast-growing field of American bladesmithing. Now, in one groundbreaking volume, tactical knife expert James Morgan Ayres shares more than four decades of real-world experience with purpose-designed knives. You'll find it all in *The Tactical Knife*: fixed blades, folders, defensive uses, survival uses, product reviews—in short, everything you need to make an informed decision about your choice of a tactical knife. Newly updated with specifications and reviews for new products as well as new information on recent developments in the field, James Morgan Ayres provides the latest need-to-know info on the subject for first time owners (or potential owners) of tactical knives as well as experts who want the latest intel on new products. Features inside include: Origins of the Tactical Knife The Bowie knife Tactical Knives of the Mid-twentieth Century Steel, Heat Treating, Geometry, Design, Grinds, and Forging Choosing a Tactical Knife Basic Skills, Maintenance, and Tactics Complete with hundreds of detailed color photos, tips, tactics, and techniques, *The Tactical Knife* is the best book out there for all your tactical knife needs. When choosing a tactical knife, don't guess—know! Keep yourself on the cutting edge—with *The Tactical Knife*! Skyhorse Publishing is proud to publish a broad range of books for hunters and firearms enthusiasts. We publish books about shotguns, rifles, handguns, target shooting, gun collecting, self-defense, archery, ammunition, knives, gunsmithing, gun repair, and wilderness survival. We publish books on deer hunting, big game hunting, small game hunting, wing shooting, turkey hunting, deer stands, duck blinds, bowhunting, wing shooting, hunting dogs, and more. While not every title we publish becomes a New York Times bestseller or a national bestseller, we are committed to publishing books on subjects that are sometimes overlooked by other publishers and to authors whose work might not otherwise find a home.

The kukri is one of the oldest combat/utility knives in existence today. Recognized as the national weapon of Nepal, the kukri has been associated with the British Army's fearsome Gurkha brigades since their creation. The unique downward slope of the blade gives the kukri its distinctive look and renowned ability to effect powerful, accurate cuts. In this latest addition to his "Fighting Weapons" series, Dwight McLemore explores the full range of kukri training and deployment. He presents a sprinkling of history with informed discussions of fighting approaches and numerous training exercises on cutting, thrusting, blocking, and the associated movement of a kukri fight. By mixing modern and historical concepts and illustrating the text with hundreds of his highly acclaimed instructional drawings, McLemore has created the first and perhaps ultimate training guide to this unique weapon. *The Fighting Kukri* is a must for martial artists, blade enthusiasts, historical reenactors, fight directors of stage and screen, and men and women of the armed forces.

In the study of unconventional warfare, few names carry as much weight as Michael D. Echanis. The shadowy hand-to-hand combat pioneer died under mysterious circumstances, but before meeting a violent, fiery death in an unexplained plane crash in Nicaragua, he penned *Knife Self-Defence for Combat*, the definitive guide to controlling and disarming a knife attacker and a must-have for any paramilitary operative. Previously unavailable to the general public on the open market, this modern mercenary's favorite contains more than 30 fully illustrated techniques.

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The author of this concise guide to unarmed combat and self-defence is a legend. W. E. Fairbairn (1885-1960) spent over thirty years in the tough environment of the Riot Squads of China's Shanghai Municipal Police. In order to lower levels of Police mortality at the hands of Chinese Tongs, he studied ancient Chinese and Japanese martial arts, including Ju-jitsu, and was the first foreigner to be awarded a black belt in the discipline. He developed his own system which he called 'Defendu'. At the outbreak of the Second World War, he was recruited

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by Britain's Special Operations Executive as an Instructor in unarmed combat and expounded the deadly mysteries of attack and defence to scores of trainee agents about to be dropped into occupied Europe. His methods were approved and officially adopted throughout the British army. Fairbairn also developed weapons and defence aids such as bullet proof vests. He is best known as the co-inventor of the famous Sykes-Fairbairn knife. In this book he expounds his distilled experience of unarmed combat. Fully illustrated, it shows how to deliver deadly blows with hand, fist, knee and boot; wrist, bear- and strangle holds (and how to break them); how to throw an enemy, and how to break their backs; how to disarm a pistol-wielding attacker; and securing a prisoner. The book also contains a chapter on the use of the rifle in close combat by Captain P. N. Walbridge.

Whether a side-street skirmish or an all-out war, fight scenes bring action to the pages of every kind of fiction. But a poorly done or unbelievable fight scene can ruin a great book in an instant. In *Fight Write* you'll learn practical tips, terminology, and the science behind crafting realistic fight scenes for your fiction. Broken up into "Rounds," trained fighter and writer Carla Hoch guides you through the many factors you'll need to consider when developing battles and brawls. • In Round 1, you will consider how the Who, When, Where, and Why questions affect what type of fight scene you want to craft. • Round 2 delves into the human factors of biology (think fight or flight and adrenaline) and psychology (aggression and response to injuring or killing another person). • Round 3 explores different fighting styles that are appropriate for different situations: How would a character fight from a prone position versus being attacked in the street? What is the vocabulary used to describe these styles? • Round 4 considers weaponry and will guide you to select the best weapon for your characters, including nontraditional weapons of opportunity, while also thinking about the nitty-gritty details of using them. • In Round 5, you'll learn how to accurately describe realistic injuries sustained from the fights and certain weapons, and what kind of injuries will kill a character or render them unable to fight further. By taking into account where your character is in the world, when in history the fight is happening, what the character's motivation for fighting is, and much more, you'll be able to write fight scenes unique to your plot and characters, all while satisfying your reader's discerning eye.

Knife Fighting For Beginners! Your Guide To Close Quarters Armed Combat Are You Ready To Learn All About Knife Fighting? If So You've Come To The Right Place... Here's A Preview Of What This Knife Fighting Book Contains... An Introduction To Knife Fighting The History Of Knife fighting & Close Quarters Combat Knife Defense Training Common Problems Getting Started With The Basics Different Knife Grips Explained Opening Attack Combinations (First Strikes) Combinations You Need To Know When It Comes To Attacking Where To Aim And Why (Must Read) And Much, Much More!

The low-tech, high-impact tomahawk has been carried in every American war, including Vietnam, Afghanistan and Iraq. Here the author traces the origins of the tomahawk and uses his dynamic drawings to show how it can be utilized singly or with the long knife in both offensive and defensive encounters. Includes fighting scenarios, throwing lessons and applications of the war club.

"From the pages of Knife world magazine"--T.p.

Think and act like a Navy SEAL and you can survive anything. You can live scared—or be prepared. “We never thought it would happen to us.” From random shootings to deadly wildfires to terrorist attacks, the reality is that modern life is unpredictable and dangerous. Don’t live in fear or rely on luck. Learn the SEAL mindset: Be prepared, feel confident, step up, and know exactly how to survive any life-threatening situation. Former Navy SEAL and preeminent American survivalist Cade Courtley delivers step-by-step instructions anyone can master in

this illustrated, user-friendly guide. You'll learn to think like a SEAL and how to: improvise weapons from everyday items * pack a go bag* escape mass-shootings * treat injuries at the scene* subdue a hijacker * survive extreme climates * travel safely abroad* defend against animal attacks * survive pandemic * and much more Don't be taken by surprise. Don't be a target. Fight back, protect yourself, and beat the odds with the essential manual no one in the twenty-first century should be without. BE A SURVIVOR, NOT A STATISTIC! This book teaches, Military, Police, Civilian Knife Combatives methods. 318 pages * Over 1,400+ how-to photos * Standing to the ground, from grip-to-grip, situations to scenarios, the most comprehensive knife book on combatives you will find anywhere. Since 1996, each year, I've taught combatives in 40 cities in 13 allied countries and examined the performances of thousands of soldiers, police and citizens. I have been a paid consultant for The U.S. Army, the Navy, the Air Force and the Marines. Plus, I am an avid, lifelong, obsessed student of crime, violence and military history. Through the years, all this has given me a certain unique perspective about edged-weapon combat, human learning and individual, athletic performance. The "knife" is often trained haphazardly and ignorantly with over-simplistic, dueling practice or endless, artsy, looping drills, or worse, totally ignored. Then, vital parts of it, such as knife ground fighting are often omitted, or treated like sporty, high school wrestling matches. "As a police officer, both Military and in Texas, people have died in my hands, arms and before my eyes. As victims of the knife, I have had to investigate their woundings, maimings and deaths. I have arrested these attackers in the act or hunted them down afterward. I have been to dozens of intense Police, Assault and Violent Death Schools conducted by leading forensics specialists from around the world. "Military, police, martial arts and the aware citizenry - I am all of these things, yet none of these things. While each group knows things about fighting, survival, crime, war and violence, no one group captures the essence of knife combat in this mixed-weapon world, or matches it with fast-breaking, training psychologies, physical methodologies and cutting edge tactics and strategies. I bridge this gap. I assimilate and organize. We evolve to face the cunning criminal and the enemy soldier. Inside a continuum of weapons, we use the knife to save our life and our way of life." - Hock

Your 3-in-1 Self-Defense Training Manual! Discover an effective and easy to learn method of self-defense. Complete Vortex Control Self-Defense combines the best techniques from a wide range of martial arts to create the ultimate street-effective fighting method. This self-defense system will teach you hand-to-hand combat, knife defense, and stick fighting. Discover the skills you need to defend yourself, because traditional martial arts don't work on the streets. Get it now. Combines the Most Effective Martial Arts * GM Lawrence Lee's Tong Kune Do Kung Fu * Wing Chun * Balintawak Arnis Kali Escrima * Panatukan knife fighting techniques ...and many others. Once you know the basics, almost anyone can apply Vortex Control Self-Defense. Dexterity, strength, age, or fitness level is not

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The Knife Fighting Encyclopedia by W. Hock Hochheim. Basic and Advanced Strategies and Tactics in Fencing/Dueling/Close Quarter and Ground Combat Ranges of Reality Knife Combat. 280 pages. Collector's item. Out of print During Desert Shield, Saudi Arabian troops laughed at their G.I. counterparts because every American soldier conspicuously carried a big fighting knife, yet none had ever been given formal training on how to use them correctly. Robert Spear has filled this training gap with a manual which goes far beyond the usual techniques. 123 pp., 5.5" X 8.5," photos, softcvr.

This book serves to give an understanding of the ways of the traditional Italian fencing schools with knives and sticks, thus contributing to their preservation. This is the classic book on knife fighting from one of the world's foremost experts. From it, you will learn all the facets of the art: assassination methods, history and development of knife design and in-depth reviews of the techniques perfected by Fairbairn, Biddle, Applegate and others. Rare photos and never-before-published info on Oriental techniques.

Now a Netflix film starring Tom Holland and Robert Pattinson A dark and riveting vision of 1960s America that delivers literary excitement in the highest degree. In The Devil All the Time, Donald Ray Pollock has written a novel that marries the twisted intensity of Oliver Stone's Natural Born Killers with the religious and Gothic overtones of Flannery O'Connor at her most haunting. Set in rural

southern Ohio and West Virginia, *The Devil All the Time* follows a cast of compelling and bizarre characters from the end of World War II to the 1960s. There's Willard Russell, tormented veteran of the carnage in the South Pacific, who can't save his beautiful wife, Charlotte, from an agonizing death by cancer no matter how much sacrificial blood he pours on his "prayer log." There's Carl and Sandy Henderson, a husband-and-wife team of serial killers, who troll America's highways searching for suitable models to photograph and exterminate. There's the spider-handling preacher Roy and his crippled virtuoso-guitar-playing sidekick, Theodore, running from the law. And caught in the middle of all this is Arvin Eugene Russell, Willard and Charlotte's orphaned son, who grows up to be a good but also violent man in his own right. Donald Ray Pollock braids his plotlines into a taut narrative that will leave readers astonished and deeply moved. With his first novel, he proves himself a master storyteller in the grittiest and most uncompromising American grain.

Paladin is pleased to reissue this classic book in the field of military battle knives. *Allied Military Fighting Knives* chronicles in detail the background, development and variations of both common and unusual combat knives. It also provides firsthand accounts by and in-depth interviews with the men who used them in battle, including U.S. Marine Raiders; U.S. Army Rangers; U.S., Canadian and British airborne units; the legendary Gurkhas; the First Special Service Force; such clandestine outfits as the OSS and SOE; and even officers who served in the Shanghai Municipal Police with W.E. Fairbairn and E.A. Sykes. In addition to its focus on military-issue blades, the book devotes chapters to two of the leading private companies that provided knives to soldiers in all war zones - Ek and Randall. A must for historians and collectors alike.

Soldier of Fortune magazine described the late Michael D Echanis as "one of the leading experts of hand-to-hand combat in the world". Before creating one of the most effective knife-defence systems in modern warfare, Echanis studied under the supreme grandmaster of hwa rang do, Joo Bang Lee, and specialised in un shin bup, the Korean counterpart to ninjutsu.

Burton Richardson's *Silat for the Street* blends the most brutally efficient silat techniques with the training methods and tactics of elite-level MMA. The reader will learn how to defend against larger, stronger, trained attackers, including those with an MMA background. *Silat for the Street* is a functional, practical book for:

- * The pencak silat practitioner who wants to learn the important details that make silat work and how to apply the art against a trained MMA fighter.
- * The MMA practitioner who wants to learn a system of true street self-defense that blends very well with MMA training, and how to alter their sport training to be street effective.
- * The traditional martial artist who wants to learn another method that is highly adaptable and is open to another perspective on highly functional street self-defense.
- * The beginner martial artist who wants to learn in a well-organized step-by-step presentation.
- * The advanced martial artist who wants to understand the minute details that make silat work and to learn how to apply the

art against an MMA-trained fighter. Silat for the Street differs from other silat books by focusing on practical fighting applications instead of just displaying the "artistic" but often nonfunctional portions. Richardson is know worldwide for using his background as a scientist to rigorously test the techniques of various arts in the crucible of combat against top MMA athletes. People trust Richardson's findings because they know he only shows what works under pressure. His ability to organize and explain detailed concepts in an easy-to-understand way makes the book accessible to individuals of all levels of expertise. It is the only book of its kind on silat.

Using several series of instructional photos, a guide to military-style self-defense explains how to employ a training program used by the U.S. Army, a program that draws on different martial arts styles, and includes anecdotes from soldiers about how the techniques saved their lives in Iraq and Afghanistan. Original. Originally published in 1954, the U.S. Army Hand-to-Hand Combat guide was the official field manual for soldiers. It covers hand-to-hand combat in all areas, with and without short-range weaponry, and includes training methods, defending and disarming methods, throws, holds, chokes, escapes, knife combat, dominant positions, and vulnerable body parts. This handbook is a useful and authoritative guide relevant for those interested in learning self-defense and close-range fighting techniques. The U.S. ARMY is one of three military departments in the United States (Army, Navy, and Air Force) which reports to the Department of Defense. It is comprised of two distinct and equally important components, active and reserve. The reserve components are the United States Army Reserve and the Army National Guard. The U.S. Army frequently releases publications and training manuals intended to instruct both soldiers and civilians.

Knife fighting is ugly business, so you'd better know what you're doing if you ever find yourself in one. This book will show you the down-and-dirty reality of knife fighting, from choosing the best knife to devious street tricks commonly used to get in the first strike.

During Desert Shield, Saudi Arabian troops laughed at their G.I. counterparts because every American soldier conspicuously carried a big fighting knife, yet none had ever been given formal training on how to use them correctly.- How to choose the best combat knife- Knife carry, quick draw and concealment strategies- Knife grips, stances, ranges and footwork- How to control fear during a knife fight- Knife targeting and reaction dynamics- Knife cuts and angles of attack- Franco's knife fighting blueprint- Knife fighting defensive skills- Knife fighting training drills and exercisesand much, much moreWhether you are a beginner or seasoned knife fighting expert, this book teaches you battle-tested knife fighting skills that will get you home alive and in one piece.

Be Prepared for the Fast, Furious and Fatal World of Knife Fighting Written by world renowned martial arts expert Sammy Franco, Knife Fighting: A Step-by-Step Guide to Practical Knife Fighting for Self-Defense prepares you for the deadly world of knife fighting. Complete and Comprehensive Knife Fighting

Instruction With over 200 photographs and easy-to-follow instructions, this comprehensive book cuts through the guess work and teaches you the most practical and effective knife fighting techniques for real-world survival. Knife Fighting Will Teach You: • How to choose the best combat knife • Knife carry, quick draw and concealment strategies • Knife grips, stances, ranges and footwork • How to control fear during a knife fight • Knife targeting and reaction dynamics • Knife cuts and angles of attack • Franco's knife fighting blueprint • Knife fighting defensive skills • Knife fighting training drills and exercises • And much, much more 35+ Years of Real-World Knife Fighting Experience Whether you are a beginner or seasoned knife fighting expert, Knife Fighting: A Step-by-Step Guide to Practical Knife Fighting for Self-Defense teaches you battle-tested knife fighting skills that will get you home alive and in one piece.

The United States Marine Corps does not have this manual-or any manual on the combat use of the Ka-Bar knife. This, however, is not because they lack a structured knife combat method for training new recruits, or because the method is in any way secret or classified. They have a structured method, and it's not secret or classified. They just don't teach from a manual! Why? Simply because Marine Combat Instructors have their knife combat method internalized. They can teach it in their sleep, they can use the knife without even waking up-and they want Marine recruits to know this method in the same manner. Not to learn it-to internalize it. To own it! Because they won't have a manual with them when they need this knowledge to save their lives. Learn what they already know!

An influential Army officer traces the Gulf War experiences that shaped his perspectives on the changing nature of conventional combat and his then-discounted views about terrorism, citing his role in coauthoring the military's new counterinsurgency field manual. 30,000 first printing.

Conventional wisdom among knife-fighting experts has it that knife throwing is a pursuit best left to circus performers, hillbilly theme park workers and hobbyists, and that it is useless for combat. In this update to his groundbreaking book, Ralph Thorn incorporates the very latest developments in equipment, theory, techniques and training to show why weapons throwing is even more suitable for actual combat today. Thorn, who has practiced his craft for decades, begins by showing you how to balance a knife for throwing, including an explanation of the recent discovery of the universal perfect balance point that maximizes the ability to eliminate rotation in oblong throwing weapons. Next, he shows you how to design and make your own throwing knives out of readily available materials, build targets and practice various combat throwing techniques, with an emphasis on both safety and accuracy. He then demonstrates the best overhand, underhand and sidearm throws, and discusses the situations where each style works best. The author also includes chapters on psychological and physical conditioning, hunting and recreational skills, and the newest developments in weapons throwing. This updated edition of Combat Knife Throwing should be read by every sportsman, knife aficionado and individual interested in self-

defense.

Forget what you've seen in movies and on television--a knife attack is usually fast, furious, and often fatal. When it comes to increasing your chances of surviving, even the best martial arts schools are no match for the hard lessons learned in brutal institutions like Folsom Prison. Folsom alum Don Pentecost's no-nonsense guide cuts through the Hollywood myths and covers valuable information like: *Defending yourself against an attack* Going on the offensive* Training methods to maximize your chances of survival If it's true that, as a poet once said, "prison is like high school with knives," then facilities like Folsom are the Ivy League of violence. Serving a sentence at Folsom is like earning a PhD in staying alive. Don Pentecost has done the time so you don't have to. d

Military Knife Combat by W. Hock Hochheim is a history of military knife fighting since the turn of the 20th Century. It contains 45 True Military fights. It also includes training tactics from the armed forces around the world, plus the mental and physical aspects of edged weapon combat. 158 pages. Collector's item. Out of print.

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Definitive and compulsively readable ³/₄ an illustrated guide to the use in knifefighting and beyond of contemporary knives by long-time Blade columnist and master weaponsmith, Hank Reinhardt. Deadlier than the club, more ubiquitous than the sword, the knife is the universal edged weapon of all humankind. As our society has grown more advanced, and more reliant on technology, there has been an increased interest in the weapons of the past, and this sharp-edged guide to the use of the knife will whet the appetite of expert and layman alike. At the publisher's request, this title is sold without DRM (Digital Rights Management).

The term "medieval martial arts" conjures images of armoured knights wielding sword, lance, and axe. While the image is correct, at the foundation of knightly combat was a sophisticated form of close quarter combat, centered on fighting with-and against-the dagger, a deadly weapon of both self-defense and last resort. In *Mastering the Art of Arms, Volume One: The Medieval Dagger*, Guy Windsor presents a complete guide to the principles and practice of Italian dagger combat, as set down in *Il Fior di Battaglia* a manuscript written in 1410. Readers are guided step-by-step through the process of mastering this six hundred year old art, from choosing a dagger to striking with it; from guard positions to steps and turns; from disarms to locks and takedowns; from safe falling practice to formal drills, and finally pressure testing their skills with sparring. Both a primer on the art and a methodology for on-going training, this book will give the complete novice a solid starting point, while providing useful drills and ideas for advanced martial artists. Those who study other traditional knife arts, and modern military combatives, will find many familiar techniques present in this ancient system.

Michael Janich has trained SF vets, police and street fighters in the techniques of knife fighting

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for years. Now this highly successful, comprehensive instruction is available to the average soldier, martial artist or defense-minded citizen who is interested in developing the practical skills required for today's combative streets.

Knife Fighting Targets: The Ultimate Knife Fighting Targeting System for Self-Defense is a concise book designed to teach you the most practical and useful knife fighting targets for real-world self-defense. The knife fighting techniques featured in this book apply to both fixed blades as well as fighting folders and can be readily used by young and old, regardless of size or strength. Most importantly, you don't need to be a martial arts expert to understand and ultimately master these effective knife fighting skills. No Gimmicks - No Nonsense! Unlike other knife fighting books, Knife Fighting Targets is devoid of complicated, impractical and gimmicky techniques that can get you injured or possibly killed during a deadly knife fight. Instead, this book arms you with an efficient, effective, and practical knife fighting system that work in the chaos of life and death edged weapon encounter. 30+ Years of Real World Experience In this unique book, world-renowned martial arts expert, Sammy Franco takes his 30+ years of training and teaching and gives you the ultimate foundation for knife targeting. He's taught these unique knife fighting skills to his students, and he's confident they can help protect you and your loved ones during an emergency situation. Ideal For: Civilians Law Enforcement Military Martial Artists Self-Defense students Preppers and Survivalists Security Personnel Executive protection agents A Must-Have Knife Fighting Book! Knife Fighting Targets: The Ultimate Knife Fighting Targeting System for Self-Defense is a must-have book for anyone who needs the knowledge, skills, and mindset required to win a deadly knife fight.

Bob Kasper had that rarest of qualities among self-defense instructors: real-world "street smarts," as opposed to the much more common "dojo smarts." A former Marine and student of personal-defense pioneer Charles Nelson, Kasper had picked up his experience in close-quarter self-defense the hard way: on the street, where it really counted. As a Marine Corps—designated close-combat subject matter expert, he helped create the Corps' close-combat knife curriculum. For a period, he also worked for Kelly McCann's highly regarded training company teaching military and government students how to survive while deployed to high-risk areas of operation. While equally adept at close combat, firearms, and knife fighting techniques, Kasper had a special interest in knives. That lifelong passion, combined with his hands-on experience, made him the perfect candidate to write the "Street Smarts" column for Tactical Knives magazine. For five years (from January 1997 until January 2002), Kasper filled "Street Smarts" with his own unique perspective on staying alive in the world's most dangerous environments. He also penned several features on fighting knives for the magazine. Now, for the first time, all his Tactical Knives writings have been compiled under one cover so that a new generation of knife enthusiasts and self-defense students can benefit from his practical, real-world advice on selecting, training with, using, and defending against any type of edged weapon.

Over 21 million copies sold worldwide

Before arming yourself with a fighting knife, arm yourself with the facts. Colonel Applegate, the world's foremost authority on close combat, wrote this book to instill in readers the skills necessary for contemporary knife fighting. Now you, too, can benefit from the same instructions that generations of military and intelligence personnel have.

The LINE (linear in-fighting neural-override engagement) is the most efficient and complete system of military close combat ever developed. This official USMC instruction manual provides comprehensive instruction in all aspects of this deadly system, including unarmed combat methods, knife and bayonet fighting and use of improvised weapons.

This comprehensive compendium covers all aspects of self-defense knives, including their history, development, and technology, as well as practice, training, and combat techniques. Learn about the historical development of modern self-defense knives and their various

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technical systems, designs, and materials. The book covers various possibilities for carrying an SD-knife, answers questions such as whether a folder or fixed blade is the right choice, and gives recommendations on training knives. The most important combat knives and knife combats of Hollywood movies are included. Readers will learn the basics of Wagner's reality-based training system. Contributions from well-known knife and combat experts such as Sal Glessner, Michael Janich, Frank Metzner, Joachim Friedrich, Dieter Knuttel, and Sohny cover special topics such as butterfly and karambit knives, escrima, and self-defense against dogs."

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