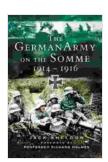
# The German Army on the Somme 1914-1916

# A Detailed History of the German Army's Experience on the Somme during the First World War

The Battle of the Somme was one of the bloodiest and most significant battles of the First World War. The battle was fought between the British and French armies on one side and the German army on the other. The battle began on July 1, 1916, and lasted for over four months. During this time, over 1 million soldiers were killed or wounded.

The German army played a major role in the Battle of the Somme. The Germans were well-prepared for the battle and they had a number of advantages over the British and French armies. These advantages included superior artillery, better tactics, and a more experienced army.



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The German army's initial plan for the Battle of the Somme was to launch a massive offensive against the British and French lines. The Germans hoped to break through the Allied lines and force the British and French armies to retreat. However, the German offensive failed to achieve its objectives. The British and French armies were able to withstand the German attack and they eventually launched their own counter-offensive.

The Battle of the Somme was a major defeat for the German army. The Germans lost over 600,000 men during the battle and they were forced to retreat from their positions on the Somme. The battle also had a significant impact on the German army's morale. The German army had been confident of victory at the start of the battle, but the defeat at the Somme shattered this confidence.

The German Army on the Somme 1914-1916 is a comprehensive history of the German army's experience on the Somme during the First World War. The book is based on extensive research in German and British archives and provides a detailed account of the German army's planning, preparation, and execution of the Somme offensive. The book also examines the impact of the battle on the German army's morale and its overall strategy.

The German Army on the Somme 1914-1916 is an essential read for anyone who is interested in the First World War. The book provides a unique and detailed account of the German army's experience on the Somme and it offers a new perspective on one of the most important battles of the war.

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#### **Reviews**

The German Army on the Somme 1914-1916 has received positive reviews from critics. The book has been praised for its thorough research, its detailed analysis, and its clear writing style. One reviewer wrote that the book is "a valuable contribution to the literature on the First World War" and that it "provides a new perspective on one of the most important battles of the war."

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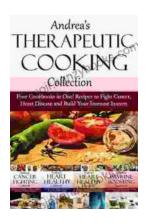
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