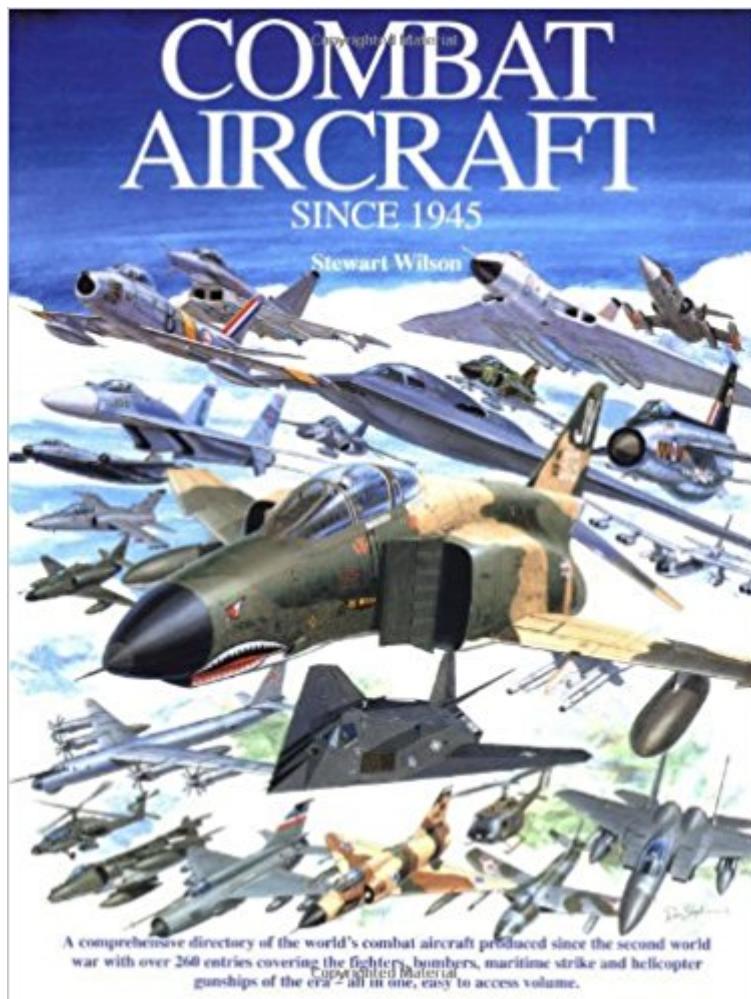


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As with the other books I purchased, this too is excellent. Being an avid model builder (among other hobbies and interests), I rely heavily on books, magazines, the internet, for images for color schemes of the models. I have a vast collection of books with information photographs of world aircraft. This book is one of them. An excellent addition to anyone who engages in that hobby.

Good data and much insight into this topic, a book for dedicated enthusiasts if there ever was one.

The end!

I liked the book very much. It has information on most combat aircraft since 1945. You will find information about the latest "stealth" planes to gunship helicopters. The book is very informative. P. Corti.

The book had a library catalog tag on the inside of the book behind the cover. The book is somewhat outdated.

"Combat Aircraft Since 1945" provides excellent coverage of the subject. While almost all the books of this type would skip experimental planes like Canada's Avro CF-105, Britain's TSR 2, Israel's Lavi, a Mirage-like fighter co-developed by Egypt and Spain, and even the Russian V/STOL Yak-141, and many other more obscure planes, this book gives each equal coverage. In addition, since this is about "combat aircraft", bombers and attack aircraft are covered along side fighters. One plane, however, that it chooses not to cover, is Mirage 4000, which could have seen eye-to-eye with the F-15. As this book was published in 2000, most the newest planes are covered: the 2 JSF's, India's LCA, F-22, Su-37, etc. I find the format simply and effectively designed -- each page has two columns, each covering one plane. Each plane has one photo, and the characteristics of the plane are listed below the photo, followed by descriptions and historical backgrounds. The information is fairly complete. For example, under "armament," ordinance, and usually the maximum load, are listed. This makes it easy to compare different planes. Descriptions are interesting instead of terse and purely technical like many other books. There is a good balance between objectivity and subjectivity. For example, about Avro CF-105, it is obvious that the author thinks very negatively of the Canadian government's decision to cancel this project because it thought missiles would soon replace airplane. For a book of this size (i.e., relatively thin), it is the most comprehensive available, and the best organized.

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