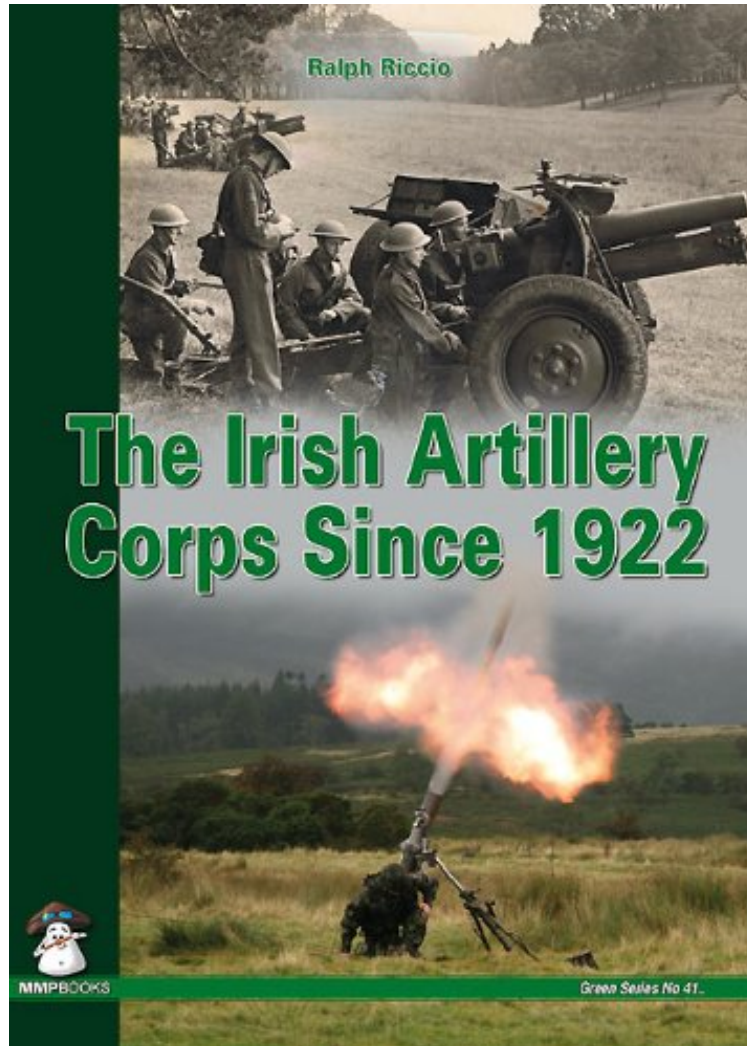


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Ralph A. Riccio : The Irish Artillery Corps Since 1922 (Green Series) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Irish Artillery Corps Since 1922 (Green Series):

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Interesting view of a small army's artillery By John Matlock I have the impression that this book contains photographs of every cannon ever owned by the Republic of Ireland (Eire). This is probably not true because in the introduction the author apologizes for its incompleteness. I guess he missed two or three guns. He begins with two 18 pounder guns given to them by the British in 1922, and concludes with the most recent missiles and towing vehicles now in service. The descriptions of the guns and their use is likewise as complete as I could imagine. The armed forces of Ireland are broken into the traditional land, sea and air, with about 10,000 full-time military personnel. This obviously doesn't leave many people available for large operations. As a result, in

analyzing the artillery, you find that they had two of these guns, six or maybe eight of that one. None the less, they are pictured and described. Some of the guns have been basically abandoned in place (especially the big coastal artillery guns) and the author shows the peeling paint and rust on these guns. I would say that the author presumes some knowledge of Irish history, especially the Civil War and The Emergency (World War II). The author then points out that the Irish artillery was used in the Civil War of 1922, but has basically not fired a shot in anger. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. This will be a valuable reference source for many years to come. By waynefitz Following on from the author's highly praised book 'AFVs in Irish Service Since 1922', this is the first comprehensive history of the Artillery Corps since its foundation in 1922. It covers the period from the early days of independence and civil war, through modern-day peacekeeping, to the present day. It covers the guns, equipment, and gun towers of the PDF, FCA and RDF. Many one-off topics such as the Raikes Range, the Orbiter UAV, and various personalities and barracks, both current and closed, are included, which make this book a great read. The coastal artillery is covered in detail, which is good to see as this arm of the Corps has been largely forgotten. Access to long-closed forts around the country was obtained by one of the contributors and the pictures are of a high quality. Air defence is also covered, with many pictures seeing the light of day for the first time. Many new pictures of Free State 18-pdrs in action in Dublin were sourced from the Kilmainham Jail archive. Although the book has only been published, it will hopefully be updated to include the new reorganisation of the Defence Forces and the new unit flashes. While the new LTAV FOO was not included, the new Scania 6x6 is, although it is not an organic artillery asset. Overall, this book is a concise history of the Artillery Corps and its units. It is well worth the cost and will be a valuable reference source for many years to come. As published in the December/January issue of An Cosantóir (The Defender) by Sgt Wayne Fitzgerald. See dfmagazine.ie or military.ie for more. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Excellent coverage of subject. By Risteard Excellent coverage of subject. I Served with a reserve artillery unit of Irish Army in the early 60's. I was amazed to see myself gazing from one of the pages.

The story of the artillery used by the armed forces of the Republic of Ireland (Eire), from independence to the present day. Following on from the author's acclaimed book on AFVs in Irish service, this new book covers the operations and equipment of all the artillery units in the Irish armed forces. From the early days of Independence and civil war to modern-day peace keeping, from coastal artillery to light mortars, all the units and their equipment are described and illustrated. Profusely illustrated with photos, maps, and scale plans. Essential reading for all military historians and artillery enthusiasts!