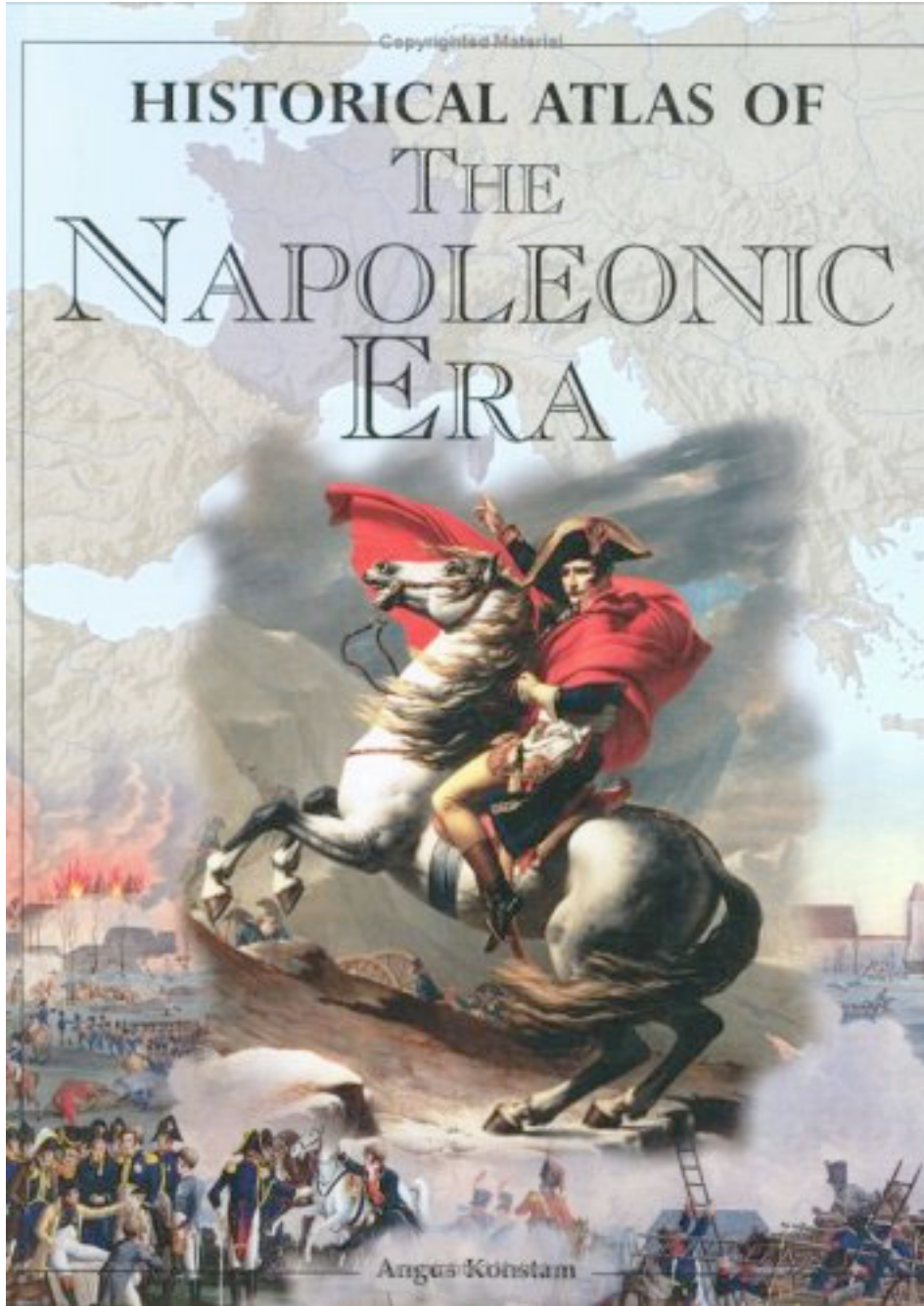


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From humble Corsican origins, Napoleon Bonaparte came to stand alongside the most recognizable figures of history. His achievements place him among the greatest captains in history - military geniuses such as Alexander the Great and Julius Caesar. To most French people he is the great hero who steered France toward greatness. He was also the

leader who betrayed the French Revolution in exchange for the imperial mantle. A consummate politician and showman, he did much to nullify this about-face by portraying himself as a liberal conqueror, spreading the ideals of the Revolution throughout a Europe ruled by absolutist monarchs.

He has also been described as the enemy of mankind, a despot who ruled Europe as a dictator, and ruthlessly crushed those who stood in his path. Napoleon Bonaparte dominated the period from the French Revolution until 1815 so completely that the era has become known as the Napoleonic Age. For much of this time he remained the Master of Europe, controlling the destiny of millions of people, from the Baltic Sea to the Mediterranean, and from the English Channel to the Russian steppes.

Following his death in 1821, Napoleon Bonaparte and his legacy have been viewed in many ways: from the pale mimicry of imperial grandeur in France during the mid-nineteenth century to the abiding fascination in his military and civil achievements. Tyrant or hero, genius or madman, there is no escaping the ramifications of his life. This book examines this crucial period in world history, and looks into the career of the man who still captivates our imagination.

Reviews:

“Historical Atlas Of The Napoleonic Era is a beautiful and exciting presentation of French conqueror Napoleon's life, ambitions, battles, military genius, and legacy. Full-color maps, artworks and illustrations on every page add a visceral touch to descriptions of battles, Napoleon's tactics, and also his most costly mistakes. Though Napoleon's warfare spread misery to many, his dream of a unified Europe persisted long after his passing and is realized today, at least in part, by an increasingly synchronized Europe and the introduction of a single European currency. Historical Atlas Of The Napoleonic Era is an exciting and detailed chronicle of a turbulent era in European history, and a welcome addition to personal and library history collections.” – *Midwest Book Review*

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