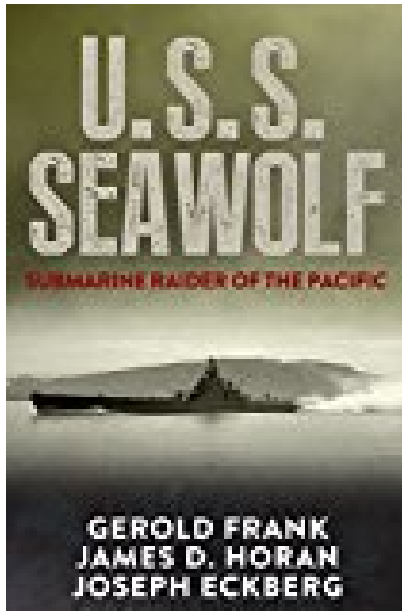


U.S.S. Seawolf Submarine Raider of the Pacific



BOOK DETAILS

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Illustrated with 16 photos of the ship and crew Writers Gerold Frank and James Horan were struck by their travelling companion on a train between New York and New London, Connecticut in 1943; "He was big and brawny, his giant frame squeezed into a coach seat; he had the clear blue eyes, the hawklike gaze of a Viking; and he was the most beribboned figure we had ever seen in a navy uniform". This man was Chief Radio Operator Jim Eckberg, and as he told Frank and Horan the tale of his ship, the famous USS Seawolf, they were captivated and determined to write a book commemorating the heroic actions of the crew and so "U.S.S. Seawolf: Submarine Raider Of The Pacific" was born. With the expert aid of Eckberg, the authors set about to recreate the history and atmosphere aboard the sub. Her career started slowly; during her first two forays around Manila in 1942 she could not get a clean target and was depth charged for the first time. Her luck changed in February 1942, roaming in the Java Sea, she struck her first live target and so would begin a game of cat and mouse with the Imperial Japanese Navy for months to come. Aggressively handled, stealthy and quick to dive to avoid the inevitable depth charge reprisals, the Seawolf would leave a trail of destruction in her wake until January 1943 when she docked in San Francisco and took on a new crew. The Seawolf received 13 coveted battle stars during the war and sunk a confirmed 71,609 tons of Japanese shipping. An exciting, authentic and atmospheric account of the 'War Beneath the Waves' against Japan.

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