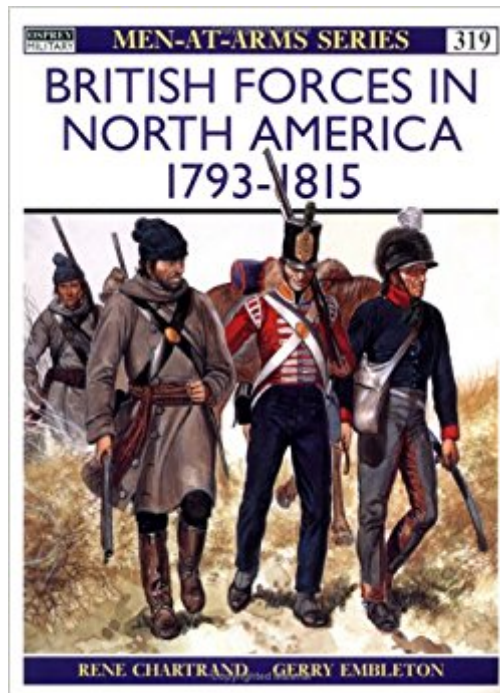




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# British Forces In North America 1793-1815 (Men-At-Arms Series, 319)



## Synopsis

The end of the American Revolution in 1783 confirmed the independence of the republic of the United States of America from Great Britain. Britain, however, still managed to make its presence felt in North America. Britain's Orders in Council concerning trade were a major irritant which, added to other issues including the sale of Louisiana and the impressment of American soldiers by the Royal Navy, finally caused the United States to declare war on 19 June 1812. This volume examines in detail the organisation, tactics and equipment of the British forces between 1793 and 1815.

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"British Forces in North America 1793-1815 covers the dress and units active in North America during the timeframe. This Osprey title contains great information on not just the British Forces but the "Canadian Units" including provincial, incorporated, volunteer, fencible, select embodied and sedentary militias... a great addition to the library of anyone interested in North American military history, the illustrations are first rate and the overview provided by the text and plate descriptions is a fast way to come to terms with the dress, terminology, and style of the times." -Captain Zane Piekenbrock, Canadian Army Journal (Winter 2006)

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The Napoleonic Wars placed enormous demands on Great Britain's limited Army. One of the places that went short were Britain's holdings in North America. This older Osprey Men-at-Arms Series book describes the hodge-podge collection of regulars, colonial units, fencibles and militia units that defended Upper and Lower Canada, the Canadian Maritimes, and Newfoundland during the period. In a very concise 48 pages, veteran historian Rene Chartrand lists the units, along with some details on their service and their uniforms. The subject is perhaps too large for such a compact volume, but there are some interesting details here for the general reader and the student, such as the difficulties of outfitting units with proper uniforms for the climate. The color plates of examples of uniforms by Gerry Embleton are first rate. Dated but recommended.

Was hoping to find some reference to blacks that served with british forces during the war of 1812, didn't have a single reference to the blacks who served as british colonial marines formed by Admiral Cockburn. These men fought for promised emancipation and in so doing had a part in the burning Washington, D.C. Disappointed that they were not mentioned or had a picture of them but not surprised that blacks were not mentioned in the book, rarely are african americans or minorities given credit for their contributions

Gift for my son. He loves the series and vows to own every book in the entire collection. LOL.

I received this one July 3rd and have read through it. I am doing research on the War of 1812. I am a Daughter of 1812 on both sides. So, am interesested to find my soliders on both sides and report to my group. Thanks for a wonderful book and the good Art Work!

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