

BRIEF HISTORY OF THE VIETNAM WAR

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Historical essay

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The most singular and violent armed conflict in the global war history took place between 1959 and 1976. Learn the weapons, military strategies, historical episodes, key actors, and geopolitical implications of a conflict that represented a turning point in contemporary history. Discover why the Vietnam War and the historical defeat of the United States are part of our common culture nowadays.

Synopsis

Learn about the Vietnam War, the conflict that was a game changer for the global war history: its technology, the weapons that were used, the strategies employed, the chemical warfare, the repeated violation of human rights. Know the political leaders that were responsible for the armed conflict: Eisenhower, Kennedy, Johnson, Nixon, Ford, Ho Chi Minh and the triumvirate. Discover the great role the Vietnam War played in defining the international scenario of the last quarter of the 20th century, and how the conflict influenced the foreign policies of the United States and the countries of Southeast Asia.

Raquel Barrios analyzes this war from different perspectives in order to explain the role of all its players, regardless of which side they supported. The author highlights emphatically the social reality of war, the daily confrontations, and the impact it had on civil society, and shows us how the war was portrayed in the media and also in the different manifestations of popular culture of the time, such as cinema, and its influence on public opinion.

A rigorous and comprehensive analysis of the conflict that marked a turning point in our recent history.

Biography

Raquel Barrios Ramos has a degree in Geography and History from the Universidad Complutense de Madrid, and majored in History. She also won a Premio Nacional de Defensa (A National Defence Award) in 2007. She has been Honorary Assistant in the Department of Contemporary History at the Faculty of Geography and History for several courses. She has also been teaching Contemporary History in the course of access to the University for people older than 25 and History, Art and Philosophy in several high schools.



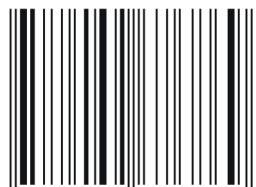
She is the author of monographs such as *El proceso de transición democrática de las Fuerzas Armadas españolas. 1975-1989* (Ministerio de Defensa, Secretaría General Técnica, 2008) and has published articles in many magazines such as *Historia del Tiempo Presenta* or *Espacio, Tiempo y Forma*.

Sales pitch

- This is a comprehensive monograph that masterfully combines an enjoyable writing style with scholarly rigor, and shows the Vietnam War from the Vietnamese perspective, the point of view that has always been forgotten in the texts on this subject. The author, Raquel Barrios, explores history from all points of view.
- The book highlights the role of the Vietnamese and American women who took part in this conflict and actively helped to write this chapter of history.
- This book not only focuses on the armed conflict, but it also explains the historical processes that led to the outbreak of war. We witness the evolution of all the characters along those processes; they are not portrayed just as warmongers.
- The author, Raquel Barrios, has a degree in Geography and History, and won a Premio Nacional de Defensa (A National Defence Award) in 2007. She has published several articles on military theory and various wars. She regularly participates in conferences and seminars about history.



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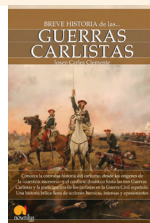
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