

Naval Heritage/Core Values Reading Guide

The following books comprise the Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy's Naval Heritage/Core Values Reading Guide as prepared in March 1997 and revised in July 2000. This list is updated annually as part of the Chief Petty Officer Initiation Season. The books are available through the Navy Exchange or the Uniform Center toll-free ordering system.

"A" List: Required reading list

The Fighting Liberty Ships — A Memoir
A Sailor's Log: Recollections of Forty Years of Naval Life
Tin Can Sailor - Life Aboard the USS Sterett, '39-'45
Battleship Sailor
Brave Ship, Brave Men
We Will Stand By You — Serving in the Pawnee, 1942-1945
Crossing the Line: A Bluejacket's WWII Odyssey
Thunder Below
The Battle of Cape Esperance — Encounter at Guadalcanal
The Golden Thirteen — Recollections of the First Black Naval Officers
The Last Patrol
Raiders from the Sea
Submarine Diary — The Silent Stalking of Japan
Devotion to Duty — A Biography of Admiral Clifton A. F. Sprague
Every Other Day: Letters from the Pacific
In Love and War: Revised and Updated
Nimitz
Ship's Doctor
What a Way to Spend a War: Navy Nurse POWs in the Philippines
Naked Warriors

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Descent Into Darkness
Blood on the Sea
On Watch
Wake of the Wahoo
Quiet Heroes
The Fast Carriers — The Forging of an Air Navy
A Most Fortunate Ship — Narrative History of Old Ironsides
A Voice From the Main Deck
Amongst My Best Men — African Americans in the War of 1812
Life in Mr. Lincoln's Navy
Divided Waters — The Naval History of the Civil War
That Gallant Ship: Yorktown
By Sea, Air, and Land — An Illustrated History of the U.S. Navy and the War in Southeast Asia
Shield and Sword — The U.S. Navy and the Persian Gulf
My Father My Son
Good Night Officially
Tin Can Man
Raiders of the Deep

A. A. Hoehling
RADM Robert D. Evans
C. Raymond Calhoun
Theodore C. Mason
Arnold S. Lott
Theodore C. Mason
Alvin Kernan
Adm. Eugene B. Fluckey, USN(Ret.)
CAPT Charles Cook, USN(Ret.)
Paul Stillwell with Colin L. Powell
Harry Holmes
John Lodwick
RADM Corwin Mendenhall
John F. Wukovits
George B. Lucas
Jim and Sybil Stockdale
E. B. Potter
Captain Terrence Riley
Dorothy Still Danner
CDR Frances Douglas Fane
and Don Moore
Richard Wheeler
CDR Edward C. Raymer
Robert Sinclair Parkin
ADM Elmo Zumwalt
Forrest J. Sterling
CDR Frances Omori
Clark G. Reynolds
Tyrone Martin
Samuel Leech
Gerald T. Altoff
Dennis J. Ringle
Ivan Musicant
Robert Cressman

Marolda
Marolda and Schneller
Zumwalt and Zumwalt
William M. McBride
E. J. Jernigan
Lowell Thomas

"B" List: Reference

American Naval History — An Illustrated Chronology of the U. S. Navy and Marine Corps, 1775-Present
The Book of Navy Songs
Gray Steel and Black Oil: Fast Tankers and Replenishment at Sea in the U. S. Navy, 1912-92
Sea Power: A Naval History
Air Raid: Pearl Harbor! – Recollections of a Day of Infamy
E-Boat Alert — Defending the Normandy Invasion Fleet
Heroes in Dungarees — The Story of the American Merchant Marines in WWII
Unsung Sailors — The Naval Armed Guard in WWII
The First Team: Pacific Naval Air Combat from Pearl Harbor to Midway
The First Team and the Guadalcanal Campaign: Naval Fighter Combat from August to November 1942

Jack Sweetman
The Trident Society
Thomas Wildenberg
E. B. Potter
Paul Stillwell
James Foster Tent
John Bunker
Justin F. Gleichauf
John B. Lundstrom
John B. Lundstrom

Admiral John H. Towers — The Struggle for Naval Air Supremacy
The Magnificent Mitscher
At Dawn We Slept
Prisoners of the Japanese
The Two Ocean War
History of the U. S. Navy, Vol. One, 1775-1941
Clash of the Titans
Okinawa — The Last Battle of World War II
Normandy
War at Sea
War Beneath the Sea
Miracle at Midway
Authors at Sea: Modern American Writers Remember Their Naval Service
Rocks & Shoals: Naval Discipline in the Age of Fighting Sail
The Unsinkable Fleet: The Politics of U.S. Navy Expansion in World War II
Run Silent/Run Deep
Decision and Dissent with Halsey at Leyte Gulf
PT 105
Submarine Commander
We Pulled Together and Won! Personal Memories of the World War II Era
War in the Boats
Submarine Admiral
All at Sea
Slow Dance to Pearl Harbor — A Tin Can Ensign in Prewar America
The People Navy
Longitude
U-Boat Commander
Kinkaid of the Seventh Fleet: A Biography of Admiral Thomas C. Kinkaid, USN
Project Hula: Secret Soviet-American Cooperation in the War against Japan
Assault from the Sea — The Amphibious Landing at Inchon
Cordon of Steel: The U.S. Navy and the Cuban Missile Crisis
Swift and Effective Retribution — The U.S. Sixth Fleet
and the Confrontation with Qaddafi
Revolt of the Admirals
A Quest for Glory: A Biography of Rear Admiral John A. Dahlgren
One Hundred Years of Sea Power: The U.S. Navy, 1890-1990
Great US Naval Battles
History of the U.S. Navy Part II
Black Shoes and blue Water: Surface Warfare in the USN 1945-1975
Quiet Warrior: A Biography of ADM Raymond A. Spruance
Anchors and Eagles
Honor Bound: The History of American Prisoners of War
in Southeast Asia, 1961-1973
And I was There
The Lost Ships of Guadalcanal
Crossed Currents: Navy Women from WWI to Tailhook

William F. Trimble
 Theodore Taylor
 Gordon W. Prange
 Gavon Daws
 Samuel Eliot Morrison
 Robert W. Love, Jr.
 Walter J. Boyne
 Robert Lackie
 VADM William P. Mack
 Nathan Miller
 Peter Sudfield
 Gordon W. Prance
 Robert Shenk
 James E. Valle
 Joel R. Davidson
 CAPT Edward L. Beach
 Carl Solberg
 Dick Keresey
 Paul Schratz
 Reminisce Books
 CAPT William J. Ruhe
 ADM J. J. Galntin
 Louis R. Harlany
 Captain William J. Ruhe
 Kenneth J. Hagan
 Dava Sobel
 Peter Cremer
 Gerald E. Wheeler
 Richard A. Russell
 Curtis Utz
 Curtis Utz
 Joseph T. Stanik

 Jeffrey Barlow
 Robert J. Schneller
 George Baer
 Jack Sweetman
 Robert Love
 Malcolm Muir
 Thomas Buell
 Paul Adkisson

 S. I. Rochester and F. Wiley
 RADM Edwin T. Layton
 Robert D. Ballard
 Jean Ebbert/Marie-Beth Hall

"C" List: Reference

History of U. S. Naval Operations in World War II
 •Vol. I: The Battle of the Atlantic
 •Vol. II: Operations in North African Waters
 •Vol. III: The Rising Sun in the Pacific
 •Vol. IV: Coral Sea, Midway and Submarine Actions
 •Vol. V: The Struggle for Guadalcanal
 •Vol. VI: Breaching the Bismarks Barrier
 •Vol. VII: Aleutions, Gilberts and Marshalls
 •Vol. VIII: New Guinea and the Marianas
 •Vol. IX: Sicily — Salerno — Anzio
 •Vol. X: The Atlantic Battle Won
 •Vol. XI: The Invasion of France and Germany
 •Vol. XII: Leyte
 •Vol. XIII: The Liberation of the Philippines, Luzon, Mindinao, the Visayas
 •Vol. XIV: Victory in the Pacific

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