Air War In The Falklands 1982: Combat Aircraft 28

The Falklands War of 1982 was a short but intense conflict between the United Kingdom and Argentina over the Falkland Islands, a British overseas territory in the South Atlantic Ocean. The war began on April 2, 1982, when Argentina invaded and occupied the islands. The United Kingdom responded by sending a task force to the South Atlantic to retake the islands. The air war over the Falklands was a key part of the conflict, and it saw some of the most intense aerial combat since the Second World War.

Air War In The Falklands 1982: Combat Aircraft 28 is the definitive guide to the air war over the Falkland Islands. This book provides a comprehensive overview of the aircraft involved, the tactics used, and the key battles that shaped the outcome of the conflict. The book is written by a team of experts on the Falklands War, and it is packed with stunning photographs and illustrations.



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The Aircraft

The air war over the Falklands was fought between a variety of aircraft, including:

- Harrier GR.3: A British vertical take-off and landing (VTOL) jet fighter. The Harrier was the backbone of the British air force during the Falklands War, and it was used for a variety of roles, including ground attack, air-to-air combat, and reconnaissance.
- Sea Harrier FRS.1: A British navalized version of the Harrier GR.3. The Sea Harrier was used by the Royal Navy during the Falklands War, and it was responsible for shooting down more Argentine aircraft than any other British aircraft.
- Mirage III: A French-built fighter jet. The Mirage III was used by the Argentine Air Force during the Falklands War, and it was one of the most advanced aircraft in the Argentine arsenal.
- A-4 Skyhawk: An American-built attack aircraft. The A-4 Skyhawk was used by the Argentine Navy during the Falklands War, and it was used for a variety of roles, including ground attack, air-to-air combat, and reconnaissance.

The Tactics

The air war over the Falklands was fought using a variety of tactics, including:

- Vertical take-off and landing (VTOL): The Harrier GR.3 was the only aircraft in the world that could take off and land vertically. This gave the Harrier a significant advantage in the Falklands War, as it could operate from short, unprepared airstrips.
- Air-to-air refueling: Air-to-air refueling allowed British aircraft to extend their range and endurance. This was essential for the British, as they had to fly long distances to reach the Falklands.
- Electronic warfare: Both the British and Argentine forces used electronic warfare to disrupt the other side's communications and radar systems.

The Key Battles

The air war over the Falklands was marked by a number of key battles, including:

- The Battle of San Carlos Water: This battle took place on May 21, 1982, and it was the first major air battle of the Falklands War. The British were attempting to land troops at San Carlos Water, and the Argentine Air Force launched a series of air attacks to try to stop them. The British were able to repel the Argentine attacks, and they were able to secure a foothold on the Falklands.
- The Battle of Goose Green: This battle took place on May 27-28, 1982, and it was one of the bloodiest battles of the Falklands War. The British were attacking the Argentine garrison at Goose Green, and the fighting

was fierce. The British eventually captured Goose Green, but they suffered heavy casualties.

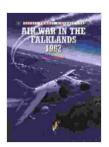
The Battle of Top Malo House: This battle took place on June 13, 1982, and it was the last major air battle of the Falklands War. The British were attacking the Argentine garrison at Top Malo House, and the Argentine Air Force launched a series of air attacks to try to stop them. The British were able to repel the Argentine attacks, and they were able to capture Top Malo House.

The Outcome

The air war over the Falklands was a decisive victory for the United Kingdom. The British were able to defeat the Argentine Air Force and secure control of the Falkland Islands. The air war also played a key role in the British victory in the Falklands War.

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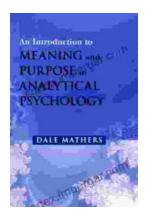
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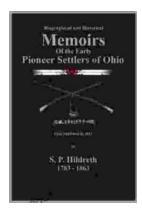
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