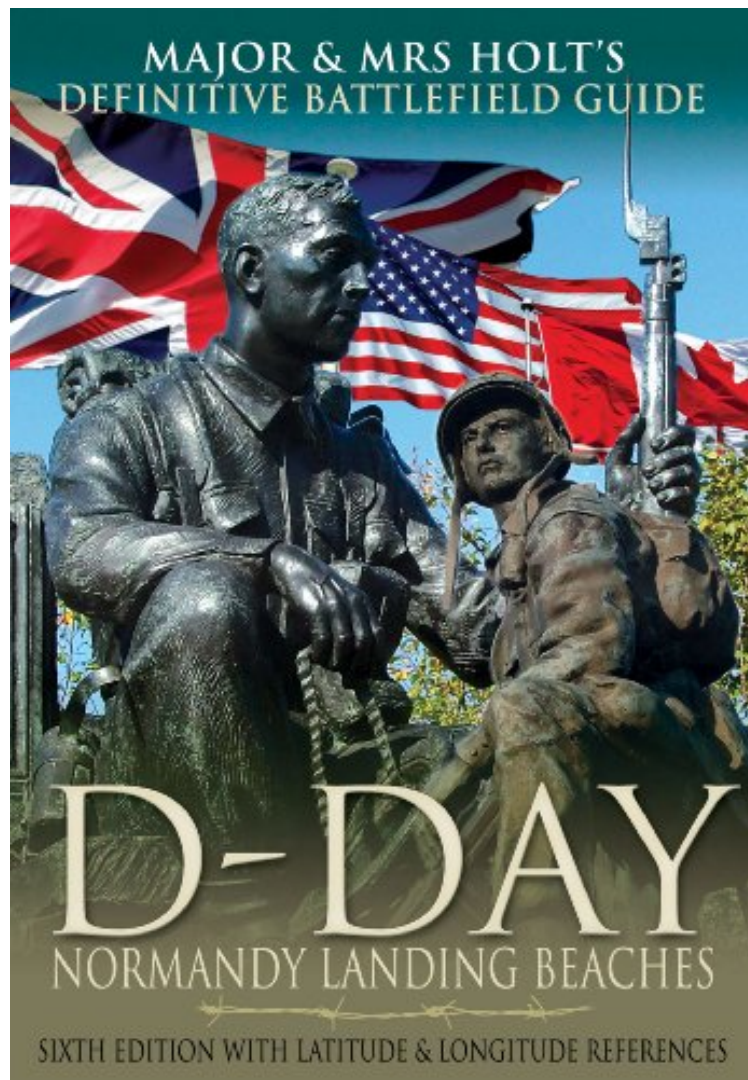


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Tonie Holt, Valmai Holt : D-Day, Normandy Landing Beaches: Battlefield Guide (Major and Mrs Holt's Battlefield Guides) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised D-Day, Normandy Landing Beaches: Battlefield Guide (Major and Mrs Holt's Battlefield Guides):

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battlefield area in and around Bayeux. I realized the map size on my screen was inadequate to grasp the extensive detail involved, and 3 days prior to departure from our home in Oregon I sent an email to the Holts inquiring where I could obtain a paper version of the map component in Bayeux. The response was amazing in this day and age of impersonal commerce. Mrs. Holt mailed the map I needed to our hotel in Bayeux without charge. As to substance, the guide has the historic and personal details rarely found in the narratives of this most important military event. Personal stories, recounting the smaller but crucial combat events, fill in the massive events of June 6, 1944. To be candid, reviewing the Holt's guide AFTER having seen the ground, and now having an appreciation of the physical extent of the front (being much larger than I had anticipated), I find significant value in the information that fills in or completes the picture of the combat plans and the events that actually evolved in the places visited. If you are going to the D-Day invasion area, and have a serious interest in the breadth of history you are taking in, get Major and Mrs. Holt's guide. One further suggestion. Buy the paper version. You will want to go back and forth in the text and map pages to tie people, places and events together. I have just ordered the paper version to re-read and in anticipation of a return visit in the near future.

5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Great amount of information for trip planning
By Stay Gold
I bought this book in preparation for my trip to the Normandy beaches. The book is amazing. It gives information a practically every museum, battery, marker, etc. I really found useful the coordinates that I will use in my GPS as I will be driving the area. It is organized using suggested itineraries for six different areas of the invasion locations. While I have created my own routes, these suggested tour routes helped my in planning my three day visit. These suggested are so detailed that each of the six would require approximately 6-7 hours. This book is a great resource if you are planning a trip to the D Day invasion area.

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. A lengthy work and covers the D-Day events well
By Dennis Blanchard
I found this book when I was at the Portsmouth, UK, war museum. I ordered the Kindle version since I was backpacking around Europe and didn't want to carry all that paper. The book is thick and heavy. It is a pretty conclusive work and has some new material that I had not seen before, but much of it can be found in other publications as well. If you've never read about D-Day, it is a good book to start with. There are plenty of personal stories and it is a good overview of the hell that was D-Day.

This book is a summary of Major and Mrs Holt's study of the Normandy Landing Beaches and Battlefields that has taken over 30 years of work in both conducting tours and writing five earlier editions of the work. This 'Definitive' work is so called because not only does it provide clear backgrounds and tours for each of the Landing Beaches and Airborne Zones but it locates over 500 memorials, cemeteries, bunkers etc and each one has a photograph and a GPS location.

From the Author
We are often asked - 'Why do you write your guide books?' The answer is that we believe that it is important to record the past and the endeavours that shape our today. Probably the two most important events of recent history are the two world wars and the part that our countrymen and allies played in them. As we conducted our tours around the battlefields it became clear that there was no central record of the memorials that chronicle the struggles of those that fought for our freedoms. We therefore decided that we would begin to record those memorials and events and the culmination of that effort over the last 30 years or so is our book on Normandy.