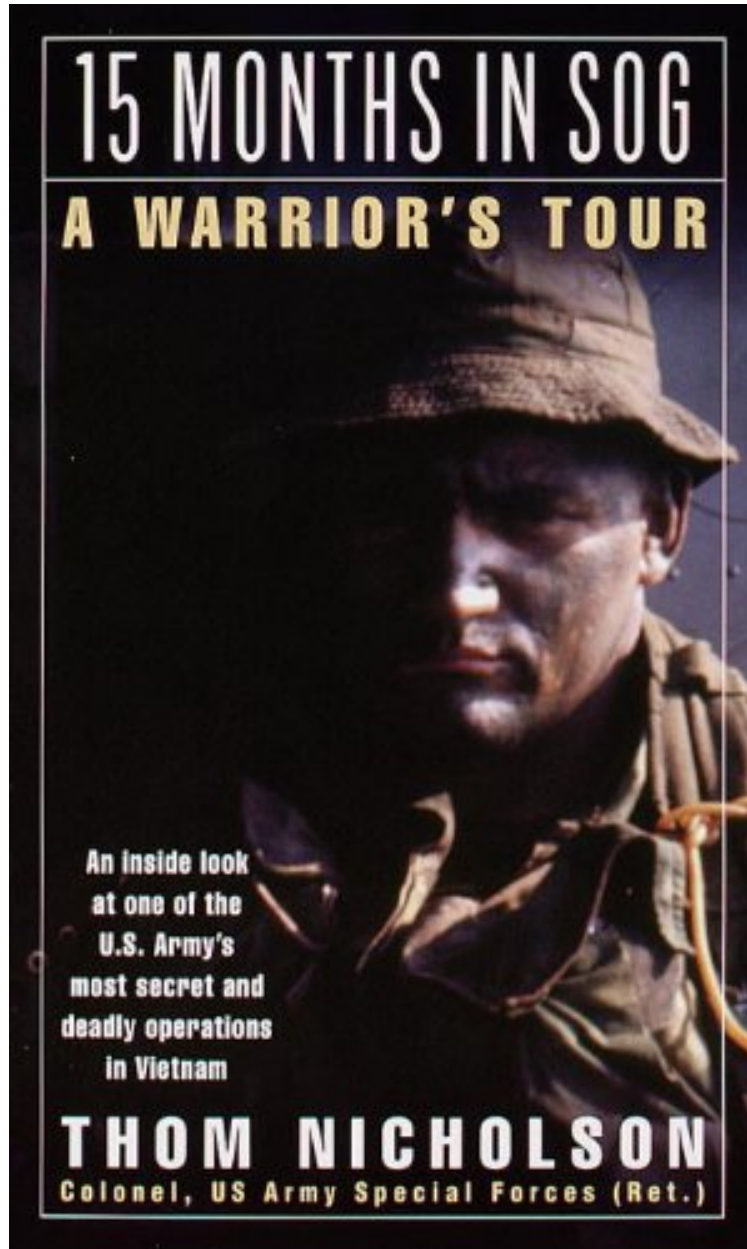


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Von Thom Nicholson : 15 Months in SOG: A Warrior's Tour before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised 15 Months in SOG: A Warrior's Tour:

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Be 4 Stars.....If It Were True! Von Michael Miller Credibility is the preeminent underpinning of any work of non fiction. In "15 Months", the author holds himself up as the principal in a series of actions and adventures taking place at CCN MAC-SOG. To be sure, most of the scenarios he paints actually happened, though sometimes without all of the drama portrayed. The problem is....he was not a part of them. I was a company commander during much of the time the author claims to have been there. I never knew him. Others there never knew him. He was not there when Martha Raye came; nor was he there during the sapper attack in August 68; he was not there when the bodies were layed out on the tarmac on New Years Day; he was not there during the Marble Mountain action. I was! It was my lieutenant that was killed on the mountain. I stopped the Marines from destroying the caves until we could recover Lt. Lencher's body. The author even has the wrong year. It happened in December, 68, not December 69. Obviously, the other actions he claims to have been involved in after I left should be brought into question also, though I have no first hand knowledge. He may have been there during a portion of the time claimed, but likely was a staff officer in either personnel or logistics. A couple of other clarifications are in order: we used "Nungs, not "Yards", nor did any but Americans ever handle a radio for me. Many other details do not ring true either. As I indicated at the start....credibility is preeminent! To be fair, however, the book was well written, and again most of the stories actually happened...just not to the author. There are many more stories of CCN and MAC-SOG which, because of the years of secrecy, are just now beginning to surface. Col. Nicholson has a good writing style, but should stick to fiction. I invite him to contact me, if he wishes any clarification of any of his errors.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. I shared the anxiety, fear and adrenaline rush of the troops Von Ein Kunde I expected that each adventurous segment of ingress and egress to the land of the enemy would be similar and become boring, not so in this action packed and lethal account of a soldier's experience in a place and time which have left a scar on the minds of all Americans old enough to remember the 60s. Thom's descriptions had me feeling the sweat, rain, stinging insects, mud and fear of the bad guys as he and his company of trained killers crept through the jungles. I was awed by the progressive emotional changes as the young officer was transformed from a gung ho machine to a man anxious for his time to leave it all behind him. The loss of comrades and friends to both enemy and friendly fire wore heavily on the hero of this saga. I have known the author since before his Army days and I could hear his voice in every quotation and I know that it was a true representation of events. I believe that every tale of this book was written with a minimum of embellishments for the sake of sensationalism. I liked it and recommend it to anyone who wants to feel the way it must have been to be dropped off, abandoned and withdrawn from dangerous situations.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A good docudrama... Von Ken Van Arsdell The book is entertaining, but as an historical work is disappointing. I was a NCO on a recon team during the period referenced in the book, but sorry, I just don't remember this guy. I know from other sources he was there, but there are many factual discrepancies that cast doubt on the rest of his recollections. Anyone who remembers the C-Team being "south" of the CCN compound, or Marble Mtn. being to the "north" must be related to the director of the John Wayne movie "The Green Berets" in which John Wayne watches the sun set in the South China Sea. (For those of you who are geographically challenged, get a map. Col. Nicholson, get a clue.) Nevertheless, the book did evoke some memories, and for that, I'm thankful.

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