

---

# The Channel Islands At War A Dark History

---

Liberation 50  
 German Occupation of the Channel Islands [1940-45]  
 German Military Geology and Fortification of the British Channel Islands During World War II  
 The Girl From the Channel Islands  
 Guernsey Evacuees  
 Protest, Defiance and Resistance in the Channel Islands  
 Military History of the Channel Islands During World War II  
 Legacies of Occupation  
 Aspects of War  
 When the Germans Came  
 Victims of Nazi Persecution in the Channel Islands  
 Hitler's British Isles  
 Second World War  
 When the Germans Came  
 The German Occupation of the Channel Islands  
 A Child's War  
 "The" German Occupation of the Channel Islands  
 The Channel Islands at War  
 The Channel Islands War 1939-1945  
 The Channel Islands in the Great War  
 The Second World War and the 'Other British Isles'  
 The Last Raid  
 'Ours'  
 Hedy's War  
 Channel Islands at War  
 Storming Hitler's British Fortress  
 The German Occupation of the Channel Islands  
 Outpost of Occupation  
 The Channel Islands 1941-45  
 The British Channel Islands Under German Occupation, 1940-1945  
 German Occupation of the Channel Islands  
 The War in the Channel Islands  
 An Island at War  
 The Channel Islands War, 1940-1945  
 The Model Occupation  
 The Channel Islands  
 Living with the Enemy  
 Islands in Danger  
 Jewels & Jackboots

*The Channel Islands At War A Dark History*

Downloaded from [ansd.per.gov.i](https://www.ansd.per.gov.i) by guest

---

## MIDDLETON RICE

---

*Liberation 50* Frontline Books

This book is the first comprehensive, academic study of Nazi resistance that took place in the Channel Islands during the Second World War.

[German Occupation of the Channel Islands \[1940-45\]](#) Bloomsbury Publishing

In 1940 British forces were withdrawn from the Channel Islands, allowing the Germans to occupy British territory. Hitler was determined to hold onto what he saw as a valuable prize, and the islands were heavily fortified. However, despite being extensively defended, the occupied Channel Islands remained vulnerable to commando-style raids. Indeed, a total of nine such operations were conducted between 1940 and 1943. Many others were planned but never executed. Each one was a bold and dangerous expedition, with small groups of men daring to trespass on Hitler's cherished British stronghold. The first of these attacks, Operation Ambassador, took place on the night of 14/15 July 1940. The second ever raid undertaken by the Commandos, it

was focused on the island of Guernsey. Though the mission failed to achieve any of its objectives, valuable lessons were learnt. In the weeks, months and years that followed, raids were also undertaken against Jersey, Sark, Herm, Burhou and the Casquets lighthouse off Alderney. The final attack, Hardtack 22, was one of the three carried out against the German garrison on Sark. After the second mission, Hardtack 7, had to be aborted, the Commandos returned to the island on the night of 26/27 December 1943, tasked with undertaking a reconnaissance and capturing prisoners. This too was a failure after the raiders entered a minefield; two men were killed and most of the others wounded. Compiled from official reports and first-hand accounts, each of the raids is packed with intrigue and drama - including the fear of reprisals being taken against the islanders. Each of the missions are explored on the ground today by the authors, with the routes taken and all key locations relating to each attack photographed and described. The planned but never executed raids are also explored. Never before have these stories been told in such detail, and never before in the words of those that took part in the raids and those who ultimately, were most affected.

[German Military Geology and Fortification of the British Channel](#)

Islands During World War II London ; New York : Published for the Trustees of the Imperial War Museum by Oxford University Press  
The Channel Islands were the only part of Britain to be occupied by the Germans during World War II. To mark the fiftieth anniversary of their liberation, this is a record of life on the Channel islands under Nazi rule, and of the Liberation itself. It sets out to show the contrast between the peaceful, pre-war atmosphere of the sunny holiday islands and the shadow of fear, isolation and shortages under which islanders were forced to live for five years.

**The Girl From the Channel Islands** Frontline Books

True-life recollections from the Channel Islanders who were the only British subjects to live under Nazi rule in WWII. 'An absolutely fascinating account of life under German rule in the Channel Islands during the war. As a Guernsey girl I grew up with these stories and recognise family and friends in these pages. Duncan Barrett has done a brilliant job of reflecting the peculiar challenges that existed for those living under occupation. It is an under-told story of an extraordinary time in recent British history.' - Sarah Montague, The Today Programme presenter.

**\*\*The new book from the Sunday Times bestselling author of Sugar Girls\*\*** In the summer of 1940, Britain stood perilously close to invasion. One by one, the nations of Europe had fallen to the unstoppable German Blitzkrieg, and Hitler's sights were set on the English coast. And yet, following the success of the Battle of Britain, the promised invasion never came. The prospect of German jackboots landing on British soil retreated into the realm of collective nightmares. But the spectre of what might have been is one that has haunted us down the decades, finding expression in counterfactual history and outlandish fictions. What would a British occupation have looked like? The answer lies closer to home than we think, in the experiences of the Channel Islanders - the only British people to bear the full brunt of German Occupation. For five years, our nightmares became their everyday reality. The people of Guernsey, Jersey and Sark got to know the enemy as those on the mainland never could, watching in horror as their towns and villages were suddenly draped in Swastika flags, their cinemas began showing Nazi propaganda films, and Wehrmacht soldiers goose-stepped down their highstreets. Those who resisted the regime, such as the brave men and women who set up underground newspapers or sheltered slave labourers, encountered the full force of Nazi brutality. But in the main, the Channel Islands occupation was a 'model' one, a prototype for how the Fuhrer planned to run mainland Britain. As a result, the stories of the islanders are not all misery and terror. Many, in fact are rather funny - tales of plucky individuals trying to get by in almost impossible circumstances, and keeping their spirits up however they could. Unlike their compatriots on the mainland, the islanders had no Blitz to contend with, but they met the thousand other challenges the war brought with a similar indomitable spirit. The story of the Channel Islands during the war is the history that could so nearly have come to pass for the rest of us. Based on interviews with over a hundred islanders who lived through it, this book tells that story from beginning to end, opening the lid on life in Hitler's British Isles.

Guernsey Evacuees Amberley Publishing Limited

This book explores the way in which the legacy of the German occupation of the Channel Islands has been turned into heritage (or, conversely, neglected) over the last 70 years. Once seen as the 'taint of the mark of the beast', the perception of much of what the Germans left behind has slowly changed from being despised and reviled, buried underground or dumped at sea, to being reclaimed, restored, highly valued and treated as 'heritage'. This book examines the journey of various aspects of

this heritage, exploring the role of each post-war generation in picking at the scar of occupation, refusing to let it heal or fade. By discovering and interpreting anew their once-hated legacy, each generation of Channel Islanders has changed the resulting collective memory of a period which is rapidly moving to the edge of living memory. It includes the first in-depth investigation into the multiple aspects of heritage of occupation of a single place and will offer comparative material for other heritage professionals who work with similar material throughout Europe and in other post-occupation areas. It will explore the complex ethical issues faced by anyone who works with the legacy or heritage of Nazism, seeking to understand how and why the Channel Islands have responded in the way that they have and asking how unique - or typical for formerly-occupied Europe - their response has been.

**Protest, Defiance and Resistance in the Channel Islands**

Paul Sanders

Charles Cruickshank provides a full account of the German invasion, the subsequent landings of various British agents, raids and an attempt to end the occupation using psychological warfare. He also looks at how the islanders and Wehrmacht lived, the reality of collaboration with the occupying powers and the extent of support for the Resistance.

Military History of the Channel Islands During World War II The History Press

This volume discusses how the German armed forces made effective use of military geologists to assist their fortification of the Channel Islands after their capture from the British in 1940. The book presents a unique case history of German geologist expertise applied to British terrain, intended to make the Islands into an impregnable fortress that postwar would remain a permanent outpost of the German state. In doing so, the book explains why the Channel Islands constitute a 'classic' location for British geology; how German armed forces made far greater military use of geologists than either their British or American opponents; and the legacy of fortifications that may conveniently be seen by tourists today - fortifications bypassed by Allied forces that liberated nearby Normandy after D-Day in June 1944, and surrendered intact at the end of the War in Europe in May 1945.

**Legacies of Occupation** Pen and Sword

The incredible true story of what really happened in occupied Guernsey during the Second World War.

Aspects of War Aurum

In June 1940, 17,000 people fled Guernsey to England, including 5,000 school children with their teachers and 500 mothers as 'helpers'. The Channel Islands were occupied on 30 June - the only part of British territory that was occupied by Nazi forces during the Second World War. Most evacuees were transported to smoky industrial towns in Northern England - an environment so very different to their rural island. For five years they made new lives in towns where the local accent was often confusing, but for most, the generosity shown to them was astounding. They received assistance from Canada and the USA - one Guernsey school was 'sponsored' by wealthy Americans such as Eleanor Roosevelt and Hollywood stars. From May 1945, the evacuees began to return home, although many decided to remain in England. Wartime bonds were forged between Guernsey and Northern England that were so strong, they still exist today.

*When the Germans Came* Random House

Victims of Nazi Persecution from the Channel Islands explores the fight and claims for recognition and legitimacy of those from the only part of the British Isles to be occupied during the Second World War. The struggle to have resistance recognised by the local governments of the islands as a legitimate course of action

during the occupation is something that still continues today. Drawing on 100 compensation testimonies written in the 1960s and newly discovered archival material, Gilly Carr sheds light on the experiences of British civilians from the Channel Islands in Nazi prisons and concentration camps. She analyses the Foreign Office's treatment of claims from Islanders and explores why the islands' local governments declined to help former political prisoners fight for compensation. Finally, the book asks why 'perceived sensitivities' have stood in the way of honouring former political prisoners and resistance memory over the last 70 years in the Channel Islands. The testimonies explored within this volume help to place the Channel Islands back within European discourse on the Holocaust and the Second World War; as such, it will be of great importance to scholars interested in Nazi occupation, persecution and post-war memory both in Britain and Europe more widely.

Victims of Nazi Persecution in the Channel Islands Birlinn Ltd  
First published in 1999, this masterly account of the German occupation of sovereign British territory uses fascinating first-hand reminiscences and historic photographs from a wide variety of sources to detail the history of the wartime years, mainly from the viewpoint of the German soldier. Includes a survey of the relics of the Nazi era which survive today.

*Hitler's British Isles* Simon and Schuster

The Channel Islands were what could have happened to all of us: a test-run of German occupation. That was certainly Hitler's plan. Once Britain had demilitarised the idyllic, unspoilt holiday islands of Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney and Sark in 1940 their fate was sealed: in July the Germans invaded. The following five years in their history offer an intriguing, and often uncomfortable, virtual history of how Britain might have looked under Nazi rule – and how British people, more to the point, might have responded to it, whether through submission, courageous resistance or even collaboration. Barry Turner's is the first history of the Occupation since Madeleine Bunting's acclaimed but controversial *A Model Occupation* in 1995. It is an extremely readable and above all fair-minded account, rich in personal testimonies, showing the extreme privations suffered by the Channel Islanders, so utterly cut adrift by Britain – even if for defensible reasons of wartime expediency –, and above all the huge moral and civic task required of their pre-war governing class, several of whom could hardly have been expected to rise to the occasion. It also draws on newly released documents in the Public Record Office to reveal the messy confusion of Britain's postwar attitude to the Channel Islands, a source of enduring resentment there.

*Second World War* Channel Islands at War

Please note that the content of this book primarily consists of articles available from Wikipedia or other free sources online.  
Pages: 24. Chapters: Battery Lothringen, Granville Raid, Hohlgangsanlage 8, Hohlgangsanlage tunnels, Jersey, Island at War, Occupation of the Channel Islands, Operation Accumulator, Operation Ambassador, Operation Basalt. Excerpt: *Island at War* is a British television series that tells the story of the German Occupation of the Channel Islands. It primarily focuses on three local families: the upper class Dorrs, the middle class Mahys and the working class Jonases, and four German officers. The fictional island of St. Gregory serves as a stand-in for the real-life islands Jersey and Guernsey, and the story is compiled from the events on both islands. Produced by Granada Television in Manchester, *Island at War* had an estimated budget of 9,000,000 and was filmed on location in the Isle of Man from August 2003 to October 2003. When the series was shown in the UK, it appeared in six 70-minute episodes. James Dorr is a member of the St. Gregory Senate, and is deputy bailiff of the island's government. His family is well-known and respected; both his father and

grandfather have served as Bailiff. He loves his wife Felicity, but cannot be sure she loves him and often finds that she gets in his way. He sent his son Phillip to England to go to boarding school, something that Felicity never quite forgave him for. James takes his job in the Senate very seriously, and works hard to ensure that the transition into occupation is as painless as possible for his fellow islanders. He knows full well that the Germans are capable of killing every person on St. Gregory, and encourages his friends and family to avoid stirring up the waters for fear of German retaliation. He is suspicious of his wife's relationship with Baron Von Rheingarten, and doesn't trust either of them completely. When Phillip and La Salle arrive on St. Gregory to gather...

**When the Germans Came** Springer Science & Business Media  
Besides being the only British territory occupied by the Germans in the World War II, it is perhaps less generally known that the Channel Islands were fortified out of all proportion to the rest of Hitler's Atlantic Wall: a legacy that is explored in individual chapters on Alderney, Guernsey, Jersey and Sark.

The German Occupation of the Channel Islands HarperCollins UK  
Now with a brand new epilogue! Please update your eBook to get the new version and find out what happens after the war...

**A Child's War** Springer

"This book shows that Islanders learned how to contend with Nazi regulations, how to survive and how to trust those Germans whose human side was often in contrast to the brutality of Hitler's regime." -- back cover.

"The" German Occupation of the Channel Islands Bloomsbury Publishing

Channel Islands at War Ian Allan Publishing

The Channel Islands at War Robert Hale

When Germany occupied the originally 'demilitarised' Channel Islands in 1940, Hitler ordered the area to be staunchly fortified with colossal permanent structures like Battery Moltke on Jersey. As it was the only piece of the British Isles in Nazi control, he was determined that the islands should remain German forever. Churchill was equally obsessed, urging numerous commando raids and harebrained schemes for the invasion and liberation of the islands. But when France was freed in 1944, the Channel Islands were completely bypassed. German troops were cut off from their supplies and the island population began to starve. Occupied for almost the entire war, these quintessentially English islands serve as a fascinating microcosm of what Britain might have been like under Nazi rule. With one German soldier to every three islanders, resistance had to remain at a low level: possession of a radio merited a prison sentence. *The Last Raid* is an atmospheric account of life under German occupation, as well as the political manoeuvring behind the scenes. With the first detailed account in English of the Granville Raid, a unique German commando operation, Will Fowler combines the social experience of war with the military to form a fascinating chronicle of the fight for the Channel Islands during the Second World War. *The Channel Islands War 1939-1945* Bloomsbury Publishing  
In June 1940, the Channel Islands becomes the only part of Great Britain to be occupied by Hitler's forces. Hedy Bercu, a young Jewish girl from Vienna who fled to Jersey two years earlier to escape the Anschluss, finds herself once more entrapped by the Nazis, this time with no escape. *Hedy's War* follows her struggle to survive the Occupation and avoid deportation to the camps. Despite her racial status, Hedy finds work with the German authorities and embarks on acts of resistance. Most remarkable of all, she falls in love with a German lieutenant – a relationship on which her life soon comes to depend.

The Channel Islands in the Great War After the Battle S.

Following the Fall of France and the surrender of Paris on 14 June

1940, the British Government announced that the Channel Islands had no strategic importance and would not be defended. The Germans occupied the islands from the end of June onwards and remained in control until the end of the war. On 10 October 1941 Hitler announced his intention to 'convert them into an

impregnable fortress', and the islands formed the most heavily fortified and defended section of the entire Atlantic Wall. This book describes the design, construction and manning of these defensive positions, as well as considering more widely the occupation of the Channel Islands by the Germans.

Best Sellers - Books :

- [Fnf Or Black History Month Meme](#)
- [Flying The American Flag Upside Down Law](#)
- [Focusrite Control User Guide](#)
- [Flsa Exemption Test Worksheet](#)
- [Fnaf Trivia Questions And Answers](#)
- [Fog Data Science Llc Website](#)
- [Florida Science Assessment Workbook Answer Key](#)
- [Folio Society Moby Dick](#)
- [Focused Exam Community Acquired Pneumonia Shadow Health Prescription](#)
- [Florida State Assessment Portal](#)