

The Normans

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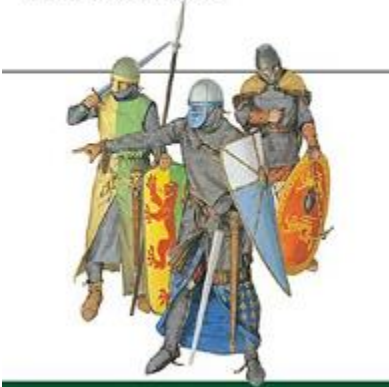
The focus is on campaign histories in various parts of the world but with interesting general history interleaved. The discussion on arms and tactics is short but good. The striking thing is the extent of the Normans' activities and the breadth of time covered ó one thinks of 1066 without always realising that Norman influence was wide and long-lasting -- many of the crusaders as late as the late 13th century were distinctively Norman, as opposed to generically medieval. An excellent history lesson with costume covered in the plates.

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