

The Second War of Italian Unification 1859-61

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Comments:

A good, clear, concise narrative of the struggle for Italian nationhood and independence in the early to mid-19th century. There is plenty of background which is neither heavy, boring, nor too light. The heart of the book is a narrative of the war itself with narrative accounts of the main battles ó Magenta, Solferino, and San Martino ó all with maps. Also covered is Garibaldi's campaign in Sicily and Southern Italy together with a few more battles.

A good place to start if you are interested in the period as it will provide a good narrative outline.

--Paul Le Long



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