

U.S. Infantry Equipments 1775-1910

Osprey Men-At-Arms series No. 214 (1989)
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Blankets, ponchos, shelter halves
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Comment:

This is very definitely an MAA that conforms to the original concept of the series ó great detail of uniforms and, in this case especially, the various packs, bags and other non-combat equipment. The plates illustrate the evolution of the infantry uniform, with detailed drawings of significant changes in e.g. the cartridge box. Useful for colour details and logistical information (e.g. on ponchos and shelter arrangements) and for skirmish games that require accurate knowledge of available ammunition. Otherwise, little for the wargamer.

--Jonathan Aird

