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Military Studies

With these 22 books, enhance your perspective on war

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It seems that mankind's second favorite occupation is war—whether engaging in it or writing about it. These titles show us that while much about war's roots, conditions, and results remains the same over the years, memoirists, analysts, journalists, and historians can reveal the many individual stories of change along the way.

Memoir

Waydenfeld, Stefan. **The Ice Road: An Epic Journey from the Stalinist Labor Camps to Freedom**. Aquila Polonica 2010. c.405p. illus. maps. ISBN 978-1-60772-002-7. \$28.95. AUTOBIOG

The author was 14 when Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union divided Poland between them. Many Poles, including Waydenfeld's family, were swiftly deported to Siberian labor camps. Only about half survived. Released in 1941, Waydenfeld and his parents endured a desperate journey across a hostile county and eventually reached the West. A remarkable tale.