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The Longest Kill: The Story Of Maverick 41, One Of The World's Greatest Snipers



Synopsis

It takes a tough mindset to be a successful sniper, to be able to dig in for days on your own as you wait for your target, to stay calm on a battlefield when you yourself have become the target the enemy most wants to take out. Craig Harrison has what it takes, and in November 2009 in Afghanistan, under intense pressure, he saved the lives of his comrades with the longest confirmed sniper kill: 2,475 meters. In this unflinching autobiography, Craig catapults us into the heat of the action as he describes his active service in the Balkans, Iraq, and Afghanistan, and gives heart-stopping accounts of his sniper ops as he fought for his life on the rooftops of Basra and the barren hills of Helmand province. Craig was blown up by an IED in Afghanistan and left battling severe PTSD. After his identity was revealed in the press he also had to cope with al Qaeda threats against him and his family. For Craig, the price of heroism has been devastatingly high. Powerful and compelling, *The Longest Kill* is a must-listen for fans of military memoirs.

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Customer Reviews

What a great book. I honestly had a hard time setting it down. Yes, it is a book about a British army sniper who holds the record for the longest confirmed kill but it is more than that. From a typical boy to a former sniper plagued by PTSD you are a witness to every step of his journey. I recommend this book very highly.

Craig Harrison rose through the ranks and a tough childhood to become a sniper in the war on terrorists. He became very proficient and deadly all the while leading his men with courage and

conviction. Badly wounded in an IED explosion his life began to spiral. The military used hi up and spit him out. Living with his PTSD and family Craig tries to rebuild his life.

Confirmed my opinion of the defence forces.....use people up and toss them out like so much rubbish. Same all over the world. I have intense sympathy for Craig (and his family) and others in his position (although I have trouble with all the horror and killing). Individuals are expendable to our leaders - when are they in the firing line?!At a time when Craig Harrison should have been receiving the fullest treatment and support from the army for PTSD, he was totally abandoned and worse....he was literally thrown to the wolves severely compromising his and his family's safety.

Very different story than your average sniper tour. The treatment by his military after exemplary service will absolutely outrage the reader. Hatred of the corrupt bureaucratic scum responsible for this travesty is totally understandable and richly deserved. A pox on them all.

Maverick 41 was quite a character, and the first British author I read. His style was very humorous at times. Having read a number of books on snipers, I think this was one of the best. In my day, we had the 1903 Springfield and an M-1. Today, the weapons are much more sophisticated, and can reach further distances. I felt this was a very good read, but was sad in the end when he suffered from his PTSD, as so many of our warriors are suffering from today.

High respect for this guy! Being able to overcome what he went through in life and get as high up as he did through pure hard work!Easy read, not too complicated like some military books can get and good story! also thought it was interesting to see the military through the British side after reading so many American military books

This was an interesting book to read. It started out a bit slow for me with a lot of background into the author's pre-sniper life. I enjoyed the active duty military section immensely and then felt sorry for the author by the circumstances of life that made it very difficult for him and his family.

This is a great read about what it takes to be a sniper, before and after. It is simply not a job in the service, it is a way of life and will stays with you well beyond your military life. I hope that all the proceeds of this book goes to support the hardships this man and his family has endured.

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