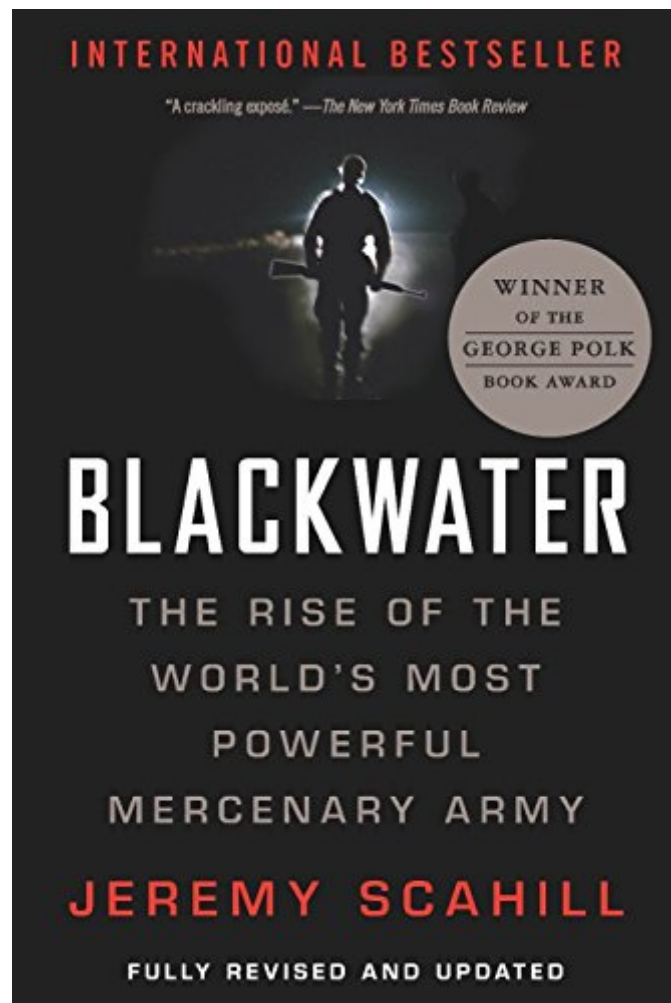




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Synopsis

On September 16, 2007, machine gun fire erupted in Baghdad's Nisour Square, leaving seventeen Iraqi civilians dead, among them women and children. The shooting spree, labeled 'Baghdad's Bloody Sunday,' was neither the work of Iraqi insurgents nor U.S. soldiers. The shooters were private forces working for the secretive mercenary company, Blackwater Worldwide. This is the explosive story of a company that rose a decade ago from Moyock, North Carolina, to become one of the most powerful players in the 'War on Terror.' In his gripping bestseller, award-winning journalist Jeremy Scahill takes us from the bloodied streets of Iraq to hurricane-ravaged New Orleans to the chambers of power in Washington, to expose Blackwater as the frightening new face of the U.S. war machine.

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Customer Reviews

A very well researched and documented book that chronicles the rise evolving into permanence of the best soldiers money can buy. For such detailed material it is an easy read. However, the

passages of what was going on with the Bush administration during the applicable period of time will break your heart. Yes, it was as bad as you suspected.

This was a wonderful book. An overwhelming amount of relevant detail, which results in a connection of the dots. The author does a great job in showing the mix of money, politics, and ideology; and how this has affected the United States military.

This book is a good op-ed position to the concept of using contracted security forces in a war zone. Don't look to this documentary to give an unbiased account of Blackwater's role in US military history.

Research Scahill, read this book, and make up your own mind. Either way, we're in trouble as a Nation.

This book was recommended to me by someone that wanted me to learn about Blackwater and what it stands for in our world. I have read this with an open mind. I do think it is necessary to have Private Army during this outrage in the middle east. Without these men the enemy would take over and be here. I do not know all the political jargon in this book. I do not follow much about politics. Now I play to be more informed as to what is going on with our world. The book is well written but it is only one sided. I am going to look for another one from the point of view from one of the men that are actually working for Blackwater. I liked the book even though it is 500 pages I read it in two days. I applaud these men for keeping the enemy under control. Job well done. I don't know if many other women will read this but I did like the book. Maybe some women will want to know about this also.

Very good book! This book really explains everything about Blackwater from the start to the end. It takes you deep into not only the story of Blackwater itself, but also its founder Erick Prince. However i would like to point out that this was not written by a member of Blackwater and a fan of Blackwater such as myself, you will notice that at some points in the book you will notice a bias against Blackwater. But i found that the amount of information in this book makes it worth every penny.

Most people have no idea about this group's involvement with the Iraq war. Not only is it extremely interesting, but could explain some of the reasons of the changes in our police departments over the

last 15-20 years.

Great book, I just saw the movie "Dirty Wars" which was very good as well. Learned just about everything I wanted to know about Blackwater and who is in charge of the firm and the history behind it. Very informative and I am now a big fan of Jeremy Scahill.

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