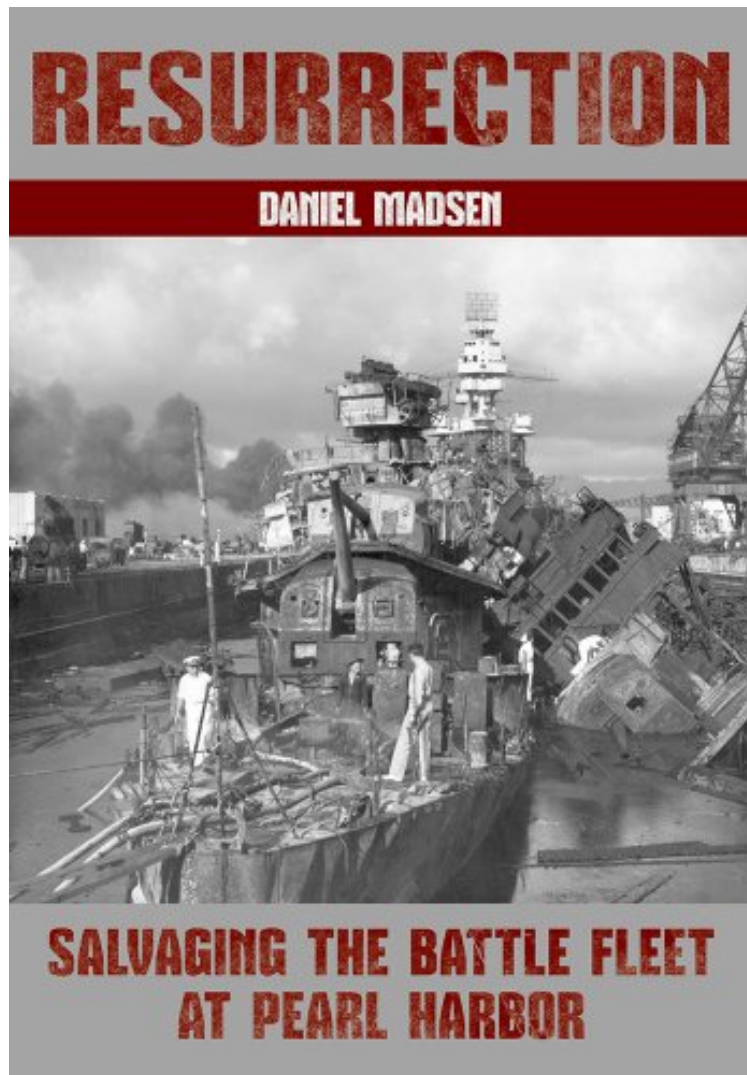


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Daniel Madsen : Resurrection: Salvaging the Battle Fleet at Pearl Harbor before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Resurrection: Salvaging the Battle Fleet at Pearl Harbor:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Highly recommended for anyone wanting to go beyond the History channel documentaries. By RichieB The book strikes a balance between technical information, political/organizational challenges, and personal observations. Yes, it does get technical at times. That's NOT a bad thing. Yes, I found myself re-reading passages to understand the salvage design work that was being invented. It might have helped to have some diagrams to illustrate the designs, but again, the purpose of the book was to balance the overview of how the work was accomplished. I bought the paperback version, and the pictures as another reviewer pointed out were of low quality

reprints. I'm interested to see if the Kindle version is better, or if they have digital archives somewhere. Simply a must for anyone who is a fan of the old grey ladies. One of the best lines from a salvage expert speaking on optimism on re-floating the stricken ships - "At the end of the day, ships want to float if you give them half the chance" 5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Every participating sailor and diver a HERO! By Cecil E. Palmer This book is NOT in the light reading category. In fact, at times it can seem a little tedious. However, for someone with a serious interest in World War II, particularly Pearl Harbor and its aftermath, this is a "must read." Eight active battleships were in port; all were damaged including five sunk in "shallow water." The three with with "lesser" damage were repaired and returned to duty. The Arizona and Oklahoma were damaged beyond repair and were partially salvaged. The Nevada, West Virginia, and California were raised and repaired, returned to the West Coast under their own power for rebuild after which all returned to the war. Additionally, cruisers, destroyers and other vessels were repaired and returned to service. Using daily and weekly official salvage reports, the author takes the reader, step by step, through the salvaging of each of these vessels. The reader learns of the engineering complexities of repairing underwater damage to the point the vessel could be re-floated. One also learns of the dangerous and disgusting conditions faced by the divers and sailors in de-watering cleaning the ships prior to dry-docking. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great story seldom told. Should be made a motion picture By electricamermerman Excellent. Very detailed account of the monumental task of salvaging the battle fleet and clearing the harbor at Pearl Naval Base. The whole story, unglamorous, sometimes depressing, doesn't pull punches about flaws/mistakes of U.S. Navy. Hard-hitting, strenuously researched. Great reading if history is your thing. Good for person not well-read in naval design, salvage, and engineering; language used isn't highly technical. The amazing story of the dedication, cooperation, innovation and politics behind the huge clean-up in the wake of history's most notoriously successful air raid.

Aimed at the general reader with an interest in World War II and the U.S. Navy, this book looks at the massive salvage effort that followed the attack on Pearl Harbor, beginning with the damage control efforts aboard the sinking and damaged ships in the harbor on 7 December 1941 and ending in March 1944 when salvage efforts on the USS Utah were finally abandoned. Dan Madsen describes the Navy's dramatic race to clear the harbor and repair as many ships as possible so they could return to the fleet ready for war. Numerous photographs, many never before published in books for the general public, give readers a real appreciation for the momentous task involved, from the raising of the USS Oglala in 1942 and the USS Oklahoma in 1943 to the eventual dismantling of the above-water portions of the USS Arizona.

"[Madsen] has performed a valuable service by adding substantially to the information...on the massive salvage operation." -- The Journal of Military History, July 2004 About the Author Daniel Madsen is also the author of *Forgotten Fleet: The Mothball Navy*. He lives in Kenwood, California.