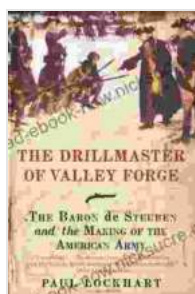


The Baron De Steuben And The Making Of The American Army

The American Revolutionary War was a defining moment in the history of the United States. The war pitted the thirteen American colonies against the British Empire, and the outcome would determine the future of the United States. One of the key figures in the war was Baron Friedrich von Steuben, a Prussian military officer who volunteered his services to the Continental Army. Steuben's training and discipline were instrumental in transforming the Continental Army into a formidable fighting force.

Steuben's Early Life and Career

Friedrich Wilhelm August Heinrich Ferdinand von Steuben was born in Magdeburg, Prussia, in 1730. He entered the Prussian Army at a young age and quickly rose through the ranks. He served in the Seven Years' War, and by 1763 he had attained the rank of captain.



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In 1777, Steuben was offered a position as a volunteer in the Continental Army. He accepted the offer and arrived in America in December of that year. Steuben was initially assigned to the staff of General George Washington, but he quickly realized that the Continental Army was in need of more than just a few good officers. The army was poorly trained and disciplined, and Steuben set about to change that.

Steuben's Training Program

Steuben's training program was based on the Prussian military model. He introduced a system of drill and discipline that was far more rigorous than anything the Continental Army had ever seen before. Steuben also taught the soldiers how to use their weapons and how to fight in formation.

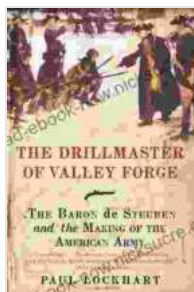
Steuben's training program was a success. The Continental Army became a more disciplined and effective fighting force. The army was able to stand toe-to-toe with the British Army, and it eventually won the war.

Steuben's Legacy

Steuben's legacy is still felt today. The training program that he developed is still used by the United States Army. Steuben is also credited with helping to create the American military tradition of discipline and professionalism.

Steuben was a remarkable man who played a vital role in the American Revolution. He was a gifted military officer and a skilled teacher. His training program helped to transform the Continental Army into a formidable fighting force. Steuben's legacy is still felt today, and he is considered one of the fathers of the United States Army.

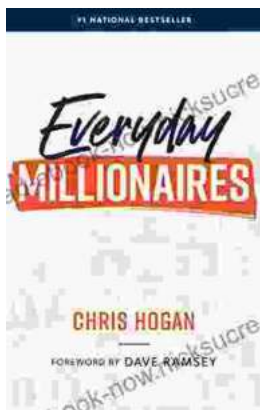
The Baron De Steuben was a brilliant military strategist and a gifted teacher. His training program transformed the Continental Army into a formidable fighting force, and his legacy is still felt today. Steuben was a true patriot who dedicated his life to the cause of American independence. He is a shining example of the many foreign-born Americans who have made significant contributions to the United States.



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