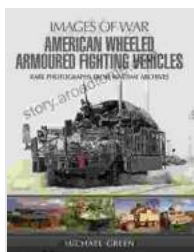


American Wheeled Armoured Fighting Vehicles: Images of War

In the realm of modern warfare, the United States military stands as a formidable force, boasting an arsenal of cutting-edge weaponry and equipment. Among these technological marvels are the nation's wheeled armoured fighting vehicles (AFVs), a formidable class of vehicles designed to transport troops, engage the enemy, and withstand the rigors of combat.



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In the pages of 'American Wheeled Armoured Fighting Vehicles: Images of War', readers are invited to embark on a visual journey through the history, capabilities, and operational significance of these armored behemoths. This captivating collection of images showcases the evolution of US AFVs from their humble beginnings in World War II to their sophisticated manifestations in the present day.

The Genesis: From Halftracks to Wheeled Warriors

The roots of American wheeled AFVs can be traced back to the battlefields of World War II, where the versatile M3 halftrack reigned supreme. These robust vehicles combined the mobility of wheels with the ruggedness of tracks, providing troops with a reliable means of transportation and battlefield support.



In the decades that followed, the US military recognized the potential of wheeled AFVs and invested heavily in their development. The result was a series of innovative and formidable vehicles, including:

- **M113 Armored Personnel Carrier:** Known affectionately as the "APC", the M113 has served as the backbone of US mechanized infantry since the 1960s. Its versatility and adaptability have made it a fixture in countless conflicts worldwide.
- **LAV-25 Light Armoured Vehicle:** A product of the Cold War era, the LAV-25 was designed to provide Marines with a fast, maneuverable, and well-armed vehicle for amphibious operations.
- **Stryker Armoured Combat Vehicle:** Developed in response to the challenges of modern warfare, the Stryker family of vehicles offers a unique combination of mobility, firepower, and protection.

Into the Fray: American Wheeled AFVs in Action

Throughout history, American wheeled AFVs have played a pivotal role in countless conflicts, from the beaches of Normandy to the deserts of Iraq. Their resilience, firepower, and ability to adapt to diverse terrain have made them indispensable assets to the US military.



In World War II, M3 halftracks transported troops to the front lines, provided огневая поддержка, and evacuated wounded soldiers. During the Cold War, M113 APCs formed the backbone of NATO's armored forces, deterring Soviet aggression and providing a rapid response capability.

In recent decades, LAV-25s and Strykers have proven their worth in a variety of conflicts, including the Gulf War, the War in Afghanistan, and the Iraq War. Their speed, agility, and ability to operate in both urban and rural environments have made them invaluable assets to modern military operations.

Technological Advancements: The Future of Wheeled AFVs

The relentless pursuit of technological advancements ensures that American wheeled AFVs remain at the forefront of military innovation. Engineers and designers are constantly exploring new materials, propulsion systems, and weapons to enhance the capabilities of these armored warriors.



Emerging technologies such as active protection systems, unmanned turrets, and hybrid propulsion systems promise to revolutionize the design and performance of wheeled AFVs. These advancements will enhance survivability, increase firepower, and improve mobility, ensuring that these vehicles continue to dominate the battlefield for decades to come.

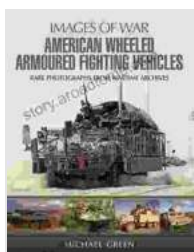
: Guardians of Freedom, Symbols of Strength

'American Wheeled Armoured Fighting Vehicles: Images of War' serves as a testament to the ingenuity, determination, and unwavering spirit of the

United States military. These vehicles are not mere machines; they are extensions of the brave men and women who operate them.

From the rolling hills of Europe to the unforgiving sands of the Middle East, American wheeled AFVs have stood guard, defended freedom, and ensured the safety of nations. They are symbols of strength, resilience, and the relentless pursuit of technological excellence that characterizes the United States military.

Through the pages of this book, readers are invited to witness the evolution of these armored behemoths and to appreciate the vital role they play in safeguarding the present and shaping the future of warfare.



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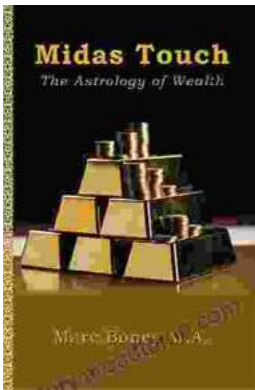
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