

THE FINISHING SCHOOL

Earning the Navy SEAL Trident

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"Couch is a well-qualified guide to this class of men who possess what he calls 'a relentless desire to fight and win as a team.'"

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In America's new war, the first guns in the fight are special operations forces, including the Navy SEALs, specially trained warriors who operate with precision, swiftness, and lethal force. In the constantly shifting war on terror, SEAL units—small in number, flexible, stealthy, and efficient—are more vital than ever to America's security as they take the battle to an elusive enemy around the globe.

But how are Navy SEALs made? Dick Couch, author of the acclaimed *Warrior Elite*, follows SEALs on the ground and in the water as they undergo SEAL Tactical Training, where they master combat skills such as precision shooting, demolitions, secure communications, parachuting, diving, and first aid. From there, the men enter operational platoons, where they subordinate their individual abilities to the mission of the group and train for special operations in specific geographic environments.

Never before has a civilian writer been granted such close access to the training of America's most elite military forces. *The Finishing School* is essential listening for anyone who wants to know what goes into the making of America's best warriors.

Dick Couch, a 1967 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, graduated from BUD/S Class 45 in 1969. Following his release from active duty, he served as a maritime and paramilitary case officer with the CIA. Dick is also the author of *The Warrior Elite*, *Chosen Soldier*, *Seal Team One*, and *Rising Wind*.

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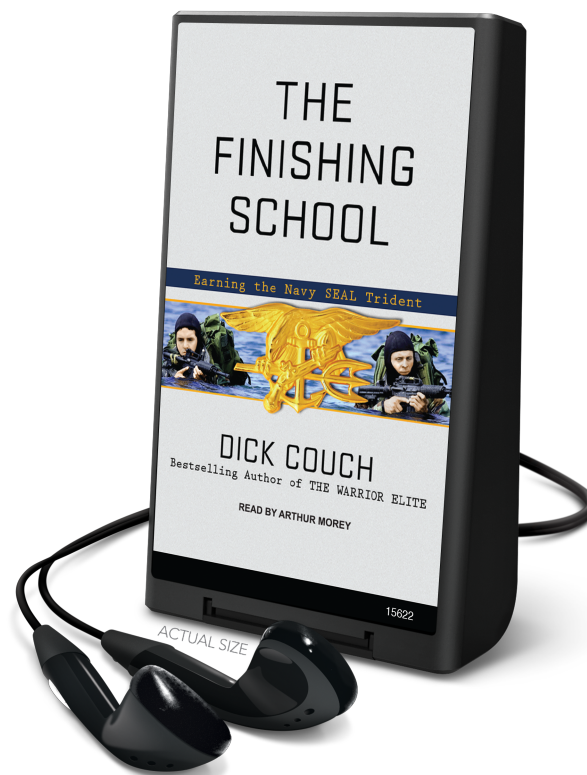
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