

# ENTERPRISE

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TILLMAN

America's Fightingest Ship and the Men Who Helped Win World War II

READ BY TOM WEINER

America's most decorated warship of World War II, the USS *Enterprise* was constantly engaged against the Japanese Empire, earning the title "the fightingest ship" in the navy. Her career was eventful, vital, and short. Commissioned in 1938, her bombers sank a submarine just ten days after the Pearl Harbor attack, claiming the first Japanese vessel lost in the war. It was the auspicious beginning of an odyssey that award-winning author Barrett Tillman captures brilliantly, from escorting sister carrier *Hornet* as it launched the Doolittle Raiders against Tokyo in 1942, to playing leading roles in the pivotal battles of Midway and Guadalcanal, to undergoing the shattering nightmare of kamikaze strikes in May of 1945. This is the definitive history of the ship whose aviators claimed 911 enemy aircraft and 71 ships, a saga of seemingly ceaseless heroism.

**"Military historian Tillman documents life and death aboard the aircraft carrier USS *Enterprise*... Throughout the seagoing drama, Tillman fires off successive salvos of descriptive battle action, the result of exhaustive research."**

—*Publishers Weekly*

**BARRETT TILLMAN** is a widely recognized expert on air warfare in World War II and the author of more than forty nonfiction and fiction books on military topics, including *Whirlwind*. The former managing editor of the *Hook*, Tillman's is a familiar face on television documentaries in the United States and Europe. He has received six awards for history and literature, including the Admiral Arthur Radford Award. He lives in Mesa, Arizona.

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