

MINISTERS AT WAR

WINSTON CHURCHILL
AND HIS WAR CABINET

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In May of 1940, with France on the verge of defeat, Britain alone stood in the path of the Nazi military juggernaut. Victory hinged on the leadership of newly elected prime minister Winston Churchill. But Churchill did not save Britain on his own.

As renowned historian Jonathan Schneer reveals, Churchill depended on a team of powerful ministers to manage the war effort as he rallied a beleaguered nation. Selecting men from across the political spectrum—from fellow conservative Anthony Eden to leaders of the opposing Labour Party—Churchill assembled a war cabinet that would balance competing interests and bolster support for his national coalition government. The group possessed a potent blend of talent, ambition, and egotism, but Churchill masterfully kept their rivalries and political challenges in check.

In this dramatic story of British high politics during World War II, Schneer shows how the cabinet's teamwork—and Churchill's brilliant leadership—paved the way for Britain's victory.

**"One of the best recent treatments of [Churchill's] role...
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An exceptional history on an extremely important topic."**

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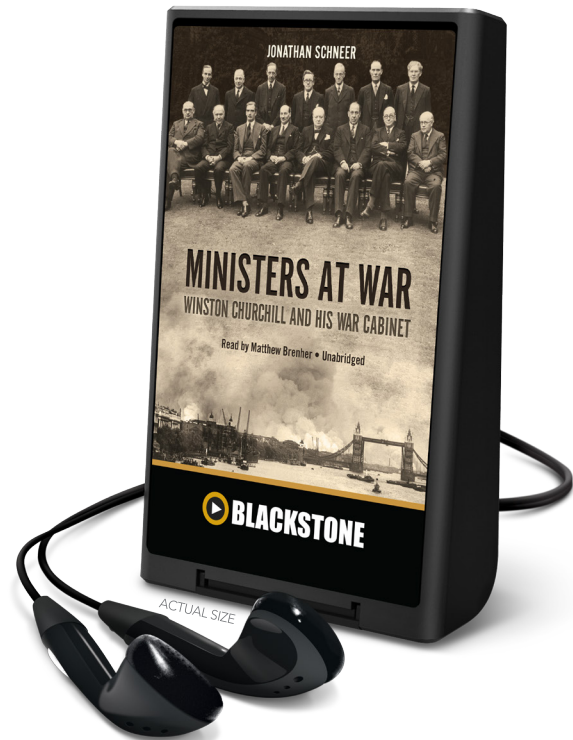
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