

Picasso's War

RUSSELL MARTIN

Read by OLIVER WYMAN

"What do you think an artist is? An imbecile who has only eyes, if he is a painter?
...No, painting is not done to decorate apartments. It is an instrument of war."

—Pablo Picasso

From the bestselling author of *Beethoven's Hair* comes a stirring account of the town that inspired one of the world's most celebrated and controversial paintings, and of the artist whose passion and vision altered the course of modern history and art.

"Imaginative cultural historian Martin crafts a well-integrated and fascinating account of Picasso's famous painting and the horrible events that inspired it...deftly weaving such multiple disciplines as politics, history, art, science, and even current events into a narrative forming a coherent whole."

—Kirkus Reviews

"Martin meticulously describes the painting's creation and context [and] focuses on the controversies that haunted the canvas for decades...Within this larger narrative, he weaves a memoir of his own trek to visit *Guernica*, which finally arrived in Spain in the 1980s. The culmination of this thread, when Martin coincidentally views the painting on September 11, 2001, brings the narrative into the contemporary world and highlights *Guernica's* brutal relevance today."

—Publishers Weekly

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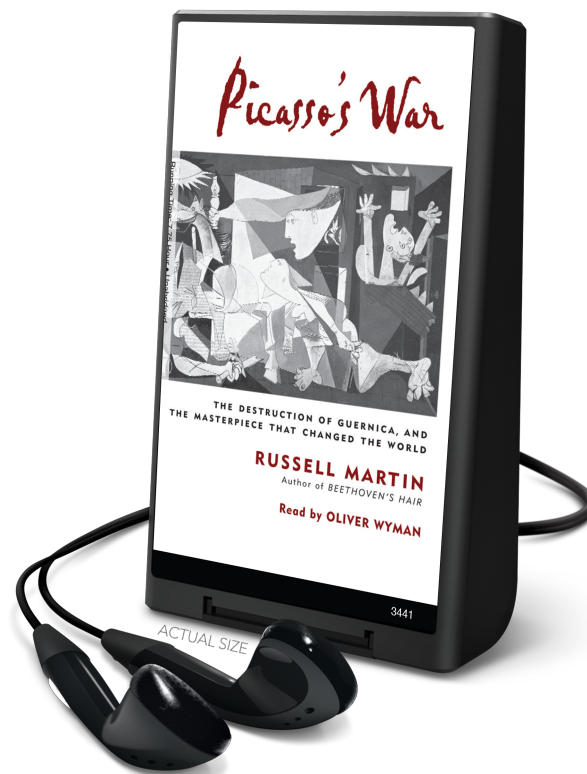
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