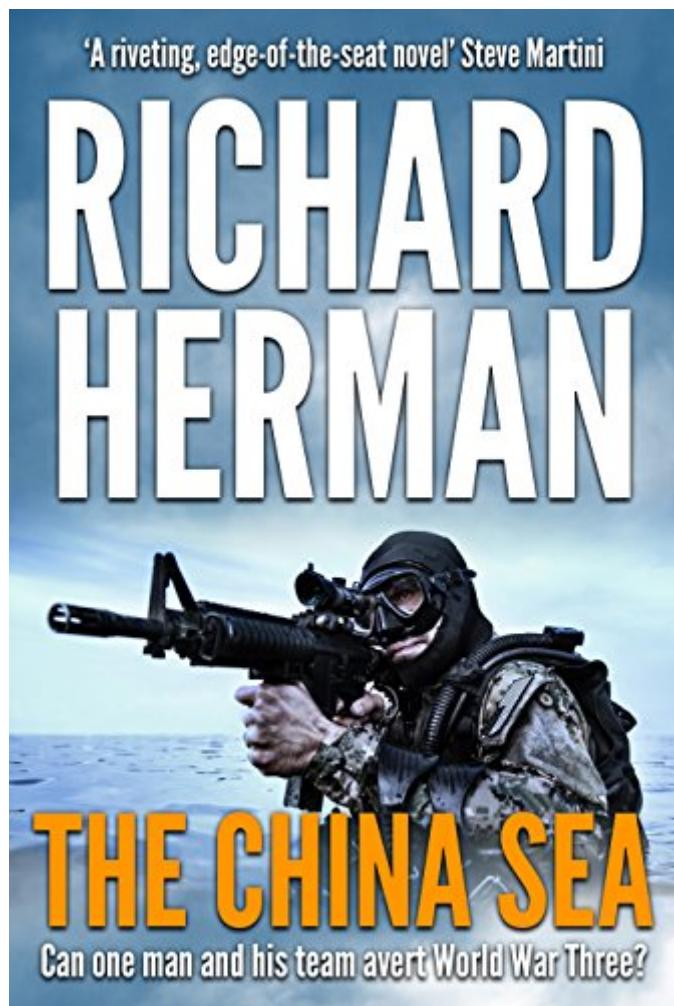


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# The China Sea



## Synopsis

The Chinese Dragon has awoken - and is narrowing its sights on the South China Sea. America - and its president Morgan Taylor - cannot permit such territorial expansion to go unchecked. But America also cannot afford to go to war. To square the circle the President decides to employ the services of David Santos, a retired air force general and intelligence officer, and his "Bravo" team, a company of trained specialists. As the unit is deployed into South East Asia they know that America will deny all knowledge of their existence. Capture will mean torture - and death. Santos and Bravo team must try to prevent a war, working in the shadows. But they will not be alone. China has deployed its own unit, to counter the Americans and foment conflict and conquest. The fate of Bravo team in the South China Sea could shape - or shatter - the peace between two global superpowers. The clock is ticking. The race is on. The China Sea is the latest thriller from New York Times bestselling author Richard Herman. Perfect for fans of Tom Clancy, Vince Flynn and Andy McNab. Praise for The China Sea "The China Sea goes from zero to sixty and never slows down. Great story, great characters, and the real chance this is the blueprint of things to come. Must read." - William P. Wood, author of Broken Trust starring Tom Selleck "Cleverly crafted and masterfully written, with characters rooted in the dark realism of special ops, The China Sea by Richard Herman delivers a riveting, edge-of-the-seat novel of global intrigue as real as this morning's headlines. Herman, an experienced story-teller and former U.S. air warrior captures both the subtle nuisance and stark dangers of a world teetering on the edge of mass destruction." Steve Martini Praise for Richard Herman "A skilled storyteller" | Richard Herman knows how to describe the pressure and unpredictability of battle | He has a sure command of what it takes to hold the reader. • - Sacramento Bee "Herman is a master." • - Florida Times-Union "One of the best adventure writers around." • - Clive Cussler "Too many of today's geopolitical thrillers ring false, but not Herman's." • - San Francisco Examiner "Herman shines when he describes combat tactics" | But it's his characters that carry the story. • - Air & Space Richard Herman is a retired Air Force officer who flew C-130s and F-4s. While on active duty, he logged over 240 combat missions. He also taught at the Air Force Academy and served as an operations plans officer. After retiring, he turned to writing about the aircraft he loves, and is the author of fourteen novels including critically acclaimed "The Warbirds" and "Force of Eagles".

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Thoroughly Entertaining. This is the first time I've read a Richard Herman novel, and I was happily surprised at how much I enjoyed it. The plot is quite elaborate, and I quite liked that the story moves around a number of different countries. I also enjoyed the Authors writing style, and how easily he captured my attention all the way to the end. America is certainly nervous with China's expansion into the South China Sea. So much so that the President wants to see what he can do to slow them down. He may have only just come into office, but he certainly doesn't want China becoming an even bigger threat then they already are. This is going to be a pretty sensitive operation, as the US doesn't want to start a war with such a powerful nation. So the President enlists the help of David Santos, who jumps straight into putting his own team together, to do everything they can to disrupt China's plans. Caleb Tanner hadn't really done much with his life since losing his foot during his time in the Army, so it was a pretty easy choice to join David's team when

Lonsdale asked him, and even easier when his girlfriend Alexandra Caden also joined. China is smart enough to realise that the US are aware of their plans, and they aren't above sending in kill squads to stop David's team. The Author has done a fantastic job with the Characters, and there is plenty of action to make this a very pleasurable story. Definitely worth a read.

Richard Herman is a master storyteller. He's changed the subjects in this book a little, but it seems like he's been writing about things not particularly aircraft.. I thoroughly enjoyed reading. It's almost like reading the news. If you like a lot of actions and great personalities, you'll like this one. I very highly recommend it.

Though fiction, the plot is based upon the geopolitical concepts that are being played out in the east China sea today. Herman is right on target, the action is swift and quick. It dovetails what our men and women in our military forces are capable of when it comes to protecting our freedom. This is one you'll have to read.

I have read a large number of Mr. Herman's novels. They have never lacked suspense. They were well characterized, with dialogue superior to most novelists. They all inhabited a consistent universe, united by realistic aviation action. This novel lives in a recognizably current world, you will recognize it because you live in the same world every day. There is a new cast of characters, the sole holdover is Mazie Kamigami. The storytelling has lost nothing in the transition. This is a fast moving, exciting thriller with everything the reader could ever ask for. It is an extremely enjoyable read. Have fun.

As always, Mr. Herman provides a great read that could be pulled from the headlines!

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