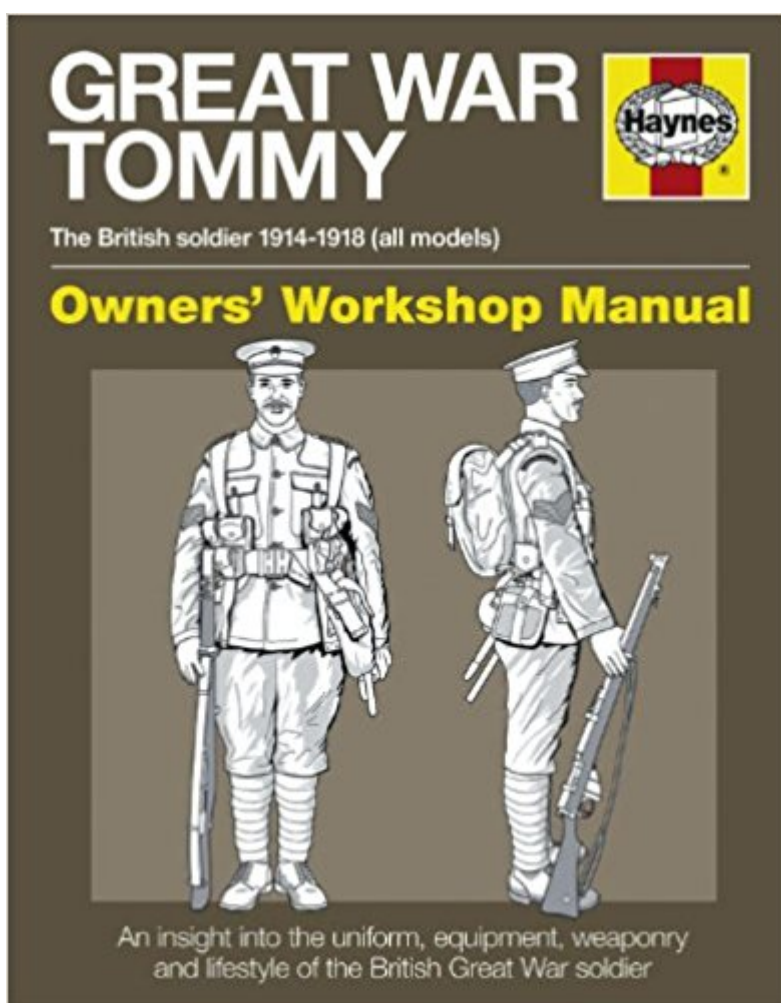


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# Great War Tommy: The British Soldier 1914-1918 (all Models) (Owners' Workshop Manual)



## Synopsis

The Great War continues to fascinate, and never more so as we approach 2014, the centenary year of its outbreak. There is an abiding fascination in the uniform and equipment of the British Great War soldier. What was it like to wear? What were puttees? What does a gas mask look like? How heavy was the equipment? How did you dig a trench? These and other typical questions will be answered in Haynes Manual style, providing a vivid insight into life during the Great War for the average "Tommy Atkins."

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## Customer Reviews

Peter Doyle is a scientist and military historian specializing in the role of terrain in warfare, and has been collecting objects relating to the role of Britain in both world wars all his life. He is a resident of London, England.

This book is focused on themes of interest to historians, reenactors, and history buffs. The illustrations are beautifully done and provide a great deal of detailed information. So I highly recommend the book. One note is worth mentioning. Author Peter Doyle collaborated on another book called 'Remembering Tommy.' Both relate to different aspects of the British soldier's experience in the Great War. Although the illustrations are different, both books use almost identical text.

Interesting series from my favourite car manual publisher. Good info on Tommy Akins and his Kit.

Great book with excellent pictures and interesting stories!

The weird subtitle "Owner's Workshop Manual" and cover design seems to stem from the fact that this book belongs to a series of books on vehicles and ordinance, and serves as a reference manual for any repairs and maintenance. It also appears to be a book that is published on demand, based on the look and feel. Despite this, it is a really attractive book. It shows the basic uniform and accoutrements as was worn on the Western Front by the British tommies during WWI. The coverage has to be restricted to infantrymen only, due to space limitations. The text is graced by many pictures and colour photos, many including re-enactors showing how these items were worn or carried. There are also some aspects of what life in the trenches were like, with reconstructed field works as well. I suspect that many re-enactors will want to have a copy, if they realise that this book is for them.

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