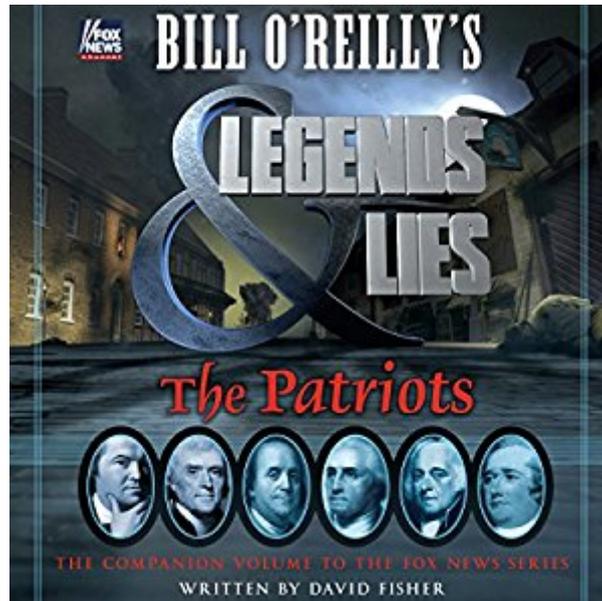


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# Bill O'Reilly's Legends And Lies: The Patriots



## Synopsis

The must-have companion to Bill O'Reilly's historical docudrama *Legends and Lies: The Patriots*, an exciting and eye-opening look at the Revolutionary War through the lives of its leaders. The American Revolution was neither inevitable nor a unanimous cause. It pitted neighbors against each other as loyalists and colonial rebels faced off for their lives and futures. These were the times that tried men's souls: No one was on stable ground, and few could be trusted. Through the fascinating tales of the first Americans, *Legends and Lies: The Patriots* reveals the contentious arguments that turned friends into foes and the country into a war zone. From the riots over a child's murder that led to the Boston Massacre to the suspicious return of Ben Franklin, the "First American"; from the Continental Army's first victory under George Washington's leadership to the little-known Southern guerilla campaign of "Swamp Fox" Francis Marion and the celebration of America's first Christmas, *The Patriots* recreates the amazing combination of resourcefulness, perseverance, strategy, and luck that led to this country's creation. Told in the same fast-paced, immersive narrative as the first *Legends and Lies*, *The Patriots* is an irresistible, adventure-packed journey back into one of the most storied moments of our nation's rich history. Introduction read by Bill O'Reilly.

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## Customer Reviews

This book will surely be greatly criticized (as, I suspect, will any positive reviews of it) by those who despise Bill O'Reilly. Yes, his name is attached to it and he introduces it, but all the rest is by David Fisher. The book is actually quite engaging and informative (no matter who wrote it), and though I am not an historian, I found nothing in it of a substantive nature to find fault with. It's not a "heavy" or

tedious, scholarly tome meant for a select few; rather, it entertainingly informs and enlightens the general reading-public, for whom it was intended, thus proving suitable for youngsters as well as adults. The book will remind some older readers of the type of U.S. history once taught in public schools at a time before it became unfashionable and politically-incorrect to be unabashedly patriotic and not denigrate or vilify historical personages for not embracing "enlightened" 21st century sensibilities. As an honest, objective look at history, this book tells it like it really WAS, not as some today would have us reinterpret and revise the past to suit THEIR present-day social agendas; those so inclined will likely fault it on that basis. The only quibble I personally have with the ebook version is its price; for that amount of money, given its colorful pictorial content and lively formatting, I opted for a hardcovered copy (rather than a B&W Kindle Paperwhite ebook edition). I found this worthwhile book delivered what it promised, and because I greatly enjoyed reading it, have rated it accordingly.

I love this book! Each chapter features a different founding father. With various historical events, the author skillfully weaves a biographical sketch of each founding father. This is not a dry, technical recount. Rather, the author provides interesting anecdotes and clear explanations of why the colonials responded to various British intrusions. Descriptions of battles are thorough and engaging. Also, the author gives a close-up view of the founders' interactions with each other. Until reading this book, I never knew that their signing the Declaration of Independence required bravery because it was essentially equivalent to signing a death warrant! When someone can't put a book down, it's usually a suspense novel or murder mystery. This history book was difficult for me to put down. (Housework be damned! I had to keep reading this book -- ha, ha!)

Very worthwhile introduction to the Revolutionary War period. After reading this, you may want to pick up some books by Joseph J. Ellis related to the same historical period.

Bill O'Reilly's Legends and Lies: The Patriots by David Fisher If you like or don't like Bill O'Reilly you have to read this book. The book gives you an inside look to the Revolutionary war and its players. Fact: Paul Revere was not the only rider yelling that the British have landed, there were other men and women who rode that night. Meet the heroes and the villains of the Revolutionary war in this book. Take it from a history junkie like me this is a must read.

I thought that this book written by David Nash was a good one. It did an effective job of covering the

many important events and individuals leading up to, during, and immediately following the American Revolution. It certainly painted a very glowing approach of Washington the General, Leader, and President. I thought it came up a bit short in its focus on Jefferson as well as John Adams. Overall a good book for history followers to read.

Much of the book is a refresher from school history classes but includes many details omitted. For example, history classes did not cover what happened to Burr after the duel. The book is well written and maintained my interest throughout.

Contents are spellbinding. I am a history major, which makes this book doubly meaningful! This is one history book that should be given to children in schools. It is about time our children learned just what it took to become Americans.

While reading this book one has the opportunity to revisit American history as it developed. Our forefathers were brave and wise to provide the framework for what we know now as the USA. This book fills in the gaps of what we learned as history students.

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