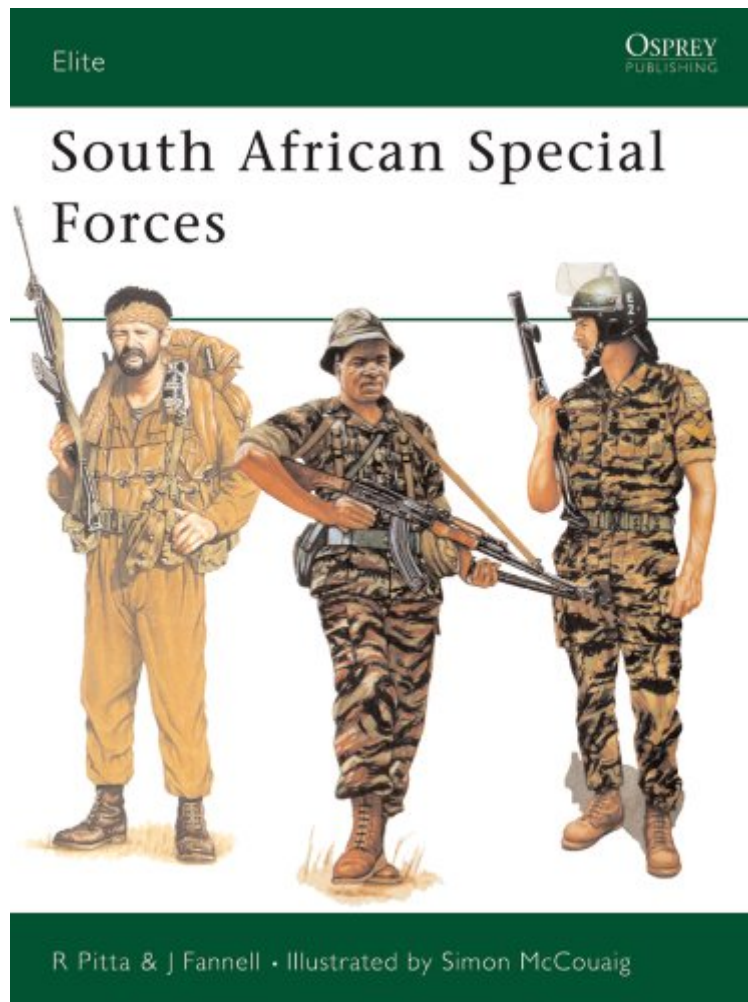


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South African Special Forces (Elite)



Synopsis

This book provides a highly detailed account of the history, organisation, uniforms and insignia of South African Special Forces from their origins up to the early 90s ? units such as the 44 Parachute Brigade, the Hunter Group and the infamous SWA Police COIN Unit 'Koevoet'. These elite units of the South African Defence Force and the special anti-terrorist units of the South African Police Forces comprised the largest, best trained and best equipped of any country in southern Africa. Robert Pitta and Jeff Fannell provide the text in a volume packed with photographs and illustrations.

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A very short summary of South African special forces with lots of photographs and illustrations showing the aforementioned forces. When read with other books about this time and place of conflict throughout southern Africa it definitely enhances the knowledge base.

I think there is an argument that given the units covered, there might be some that feel other units should also have been included. But overall it provides a very useful reference for the "specialist" units that operated within the SADF. Many of the units may still exist in the SANDF (post 1994), but many believe (me included) that there is a clear difference between the units of the SADF and SANDF. Irrespective of these arguments, it's still a very good and interesting book.

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