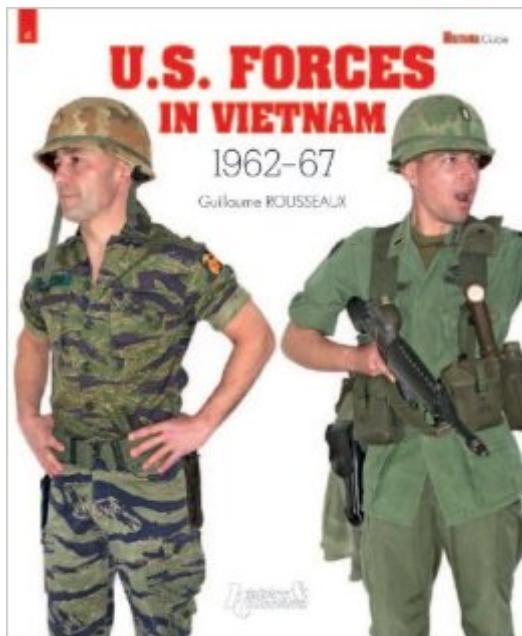


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# U.S. Forces In Vietnam: 1962-1967 (Militaria Guides)



## Synopsis

This publication covers the chronological evolution of uniforms, equipment and weaponry issued to the American soldier during the first years of the conflict, from 1962 to 1967 (a second volume will cover the 1968 to 1975 period). All of the uniforms and equipment shown are period, however some of the weapons are replicas. In the aim of depicting characteristic servicemen at given periods, a great deal of research was undertaken in order to guarantee coherence between the units, dates and geographical situations. Differing from other publications, the author has deliberately chosen to illustrate all types of service personnel rather than solely combatants in order to give an exact presentation of the American military during this period. Indeed, it should be remembered that 85% of service personnel in Vietnam were support troops and advisors. **REVIEWS** Ideal for those interested in the detail of uniforms and history of the US involvement in Vietnam generally, but especially aimed at the militaria collectors and re-enactors who want to re-create specific uniforms for a specific time, place and unit. For the modeller, it is equally ideal thanks to modern colour photos showing real items of clothing and equipment from the period. ...The quality of the photos is excellent, and the variety shown makes for a very handy uniform reference [Military Modelling.com](http://MilitaryModelling.com)

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## Customer Reviews

I was looking forward to this book when I saw the announcement for it several months ago, having an interest in Vietnam and the uniforms of that ever-evolving conflict. Having several other books on the subject, and knowing H&C's reputation, I obviously thought that this would be a stellar book to

add to that collection, as the author states he is using all authentic uniforms and gear from the era. True. However, after assembling a very nice representation of uniforms from all branches of the US military, he then proceeds to put them on the absolute **WORST** collections of models! The men, and one woman, depicted as US military personnel, serving in Vietnam, all look like a collection of pasty white, bloated drunks from your local pub! The look and feel of the photographed models, wearing the uniforms, looks, at best, like a poorly-done off-Broadway musical. The effect if almost comical is certain pictures, with the models "mugging" for the camera, or trying to play it up, often with an over-the-top presentation. Some of the descriptions of the uniforms, gear, or personnel seems to be culled directly from wikipedia, or google. Glaring omissions in terms of how **SOME** of the Marines are presented is downright insulting, not to mention in error. A few of the US Army soldiers are disappointing as well. All in all, buy Kevin Lyles book "Vietnam: US Uniforms IN Colour Photographs" if you want a **GOOD** representation on model studies of the people and equipment used in SE Asia. Shelby Stanton's book, "US Army Uniforms of the Vietnam War" is also a much more in depth study of this area. I know that this particular book was designed with scale modelers and figure painters in mind, but it is a sorely lacking, poorly executed attempt, and should best be avoided.

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