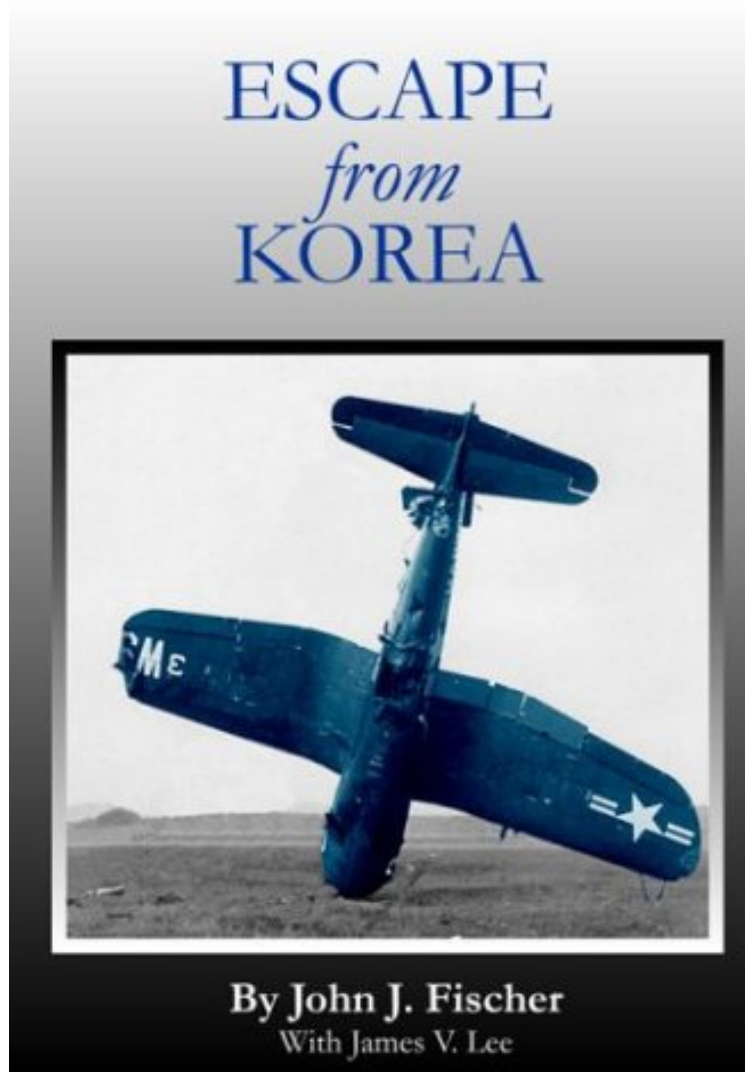


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John J. Fischer : Escape from Korea before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Escape from Korea:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy MRUAVPleased with product and satisfied with service.1 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Expecting something different, instead got something MUCH better!By LumberjackAxeI thought this was going to be a non-fictional account of a guy who debriefed American POW pilots, and basically a first hand description of what all these different POWs must have said.INSTEAD, the author apparently took all those experiences he heard from the POWs and combined them all into one fictional pilot who gets shot down and returns home. This is even BETTER than what I was expecting, because

instead of a collection of disjointed stories, it is a fusion of all of them into one coherent story line. The actual prose is very high quality as well, even a layman could pick this up and understand everything going on. If you are reading this, then buy it... it is 4.99, less than a five dollar foot long. Skip lunch one day and buy this instead. Oh actually, I do have one complaint... the cover art could be better! 4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Fascinating life-or-death tales

By Midwest Book Review

Escape From Korea is the personal story of John J. Fischer, a veteran marine aviator who served in the Korean War. John's military career began in 1942 and he flew combat missions in World War II, the Bay of Pigs, and on the beginning onset of what was to become the Vietnam War. Part of John's service involved debriefing those fellow aviators who were captured yet succeeded in escaping and braved terrible odds with the goal of rescue. From these true stories, Fischer presents a compelling military anthology of fascinating life-or-death tales. In this highly recommended selection of case stories and deadly challenges to human survival, the reader is provided a kind of "window" into what life as a combatant in the Korean "police action" was truly like.

While the pilots of F15s, Stealths, and the high-tech Apaches fly their 21st century missions above Iraq, return to their bases, and down their MREs, seasoned aviator John J. Fischer can still taste the soggy cornflakes he ate 50-plus years ago aboard a lumbering carrier in the Yellow Sea. Served in pitching mess halls just off the coast of North Korea—such meals were often the last for pilots catapulted from their flight decks into the reality of mid-20th century battle. Fortunate Korean War pilots returned mission-accomplished, however many others perished in the dangerous waters of enemy rice paddies. A number survived capture, made daring escapes, and performed heroic acts of survival and rescue. Back on ship, these men were often met and debriefed by Major John J. Fischer. Fischer draws from these individual and compelling tales of mission, capture, escape and survival to write a convincing narrative of the trials of war. It was once Fischer's job to assist those who endured to return, retrace, and relate those horrible, trying and heroic moments of battle. Escape from Korea does the same.

For those who admire America's warriors, John Fischer has it just right in Escape From Korea...absolutely riveting. -- Oliver North, Host of "War Stories" Fox News Channel

John Fischer in his book relates to us a whole new aspect of marine pilots who served in Korea. -- Randy Mills, Associate Professor of History, Oakland City University

John Fischer's Escape from Korea held my attention throughout. This is a story made for a movie. -- Ray LaFleur, Lt. Col. USAF (Ret.)

About the Author

John Fischer's military career began in 1942 and carried him through more than twenty years of service in the U. S. Marine Corps. Fischer, a Marine fighter pilot, flew combat missions during World War II, the Korean War, the Bay of Pigs, and the onset of the Vietnam Conflict. He endured hardships common to most combatants, yet while many pilots did not make it home to recount their struggles, Fischer returned to later pen his and their stories of duty, mission and survival. Once a combatant in North Korea, today a published author, Major Fischer left military service on February 1, 1963, did a tour of duty in the corporate world, and continued to fly as a Certified Flight Instructor until 1993. At the age of seventy-one, EKG results clipped his instructional wings. When the flying ended after almost sixty years, he had logged almost 23,000 hours. A fourth-generation Texan, born in Austin, and raised in the area's semi wild-west environment, he extends his gratitude to his wife of fifty-seven years for her patience. It was an evening of brandy sipping and rowdy recollection with an old Marine Corps buddy that inspired Fischer to write his stories. Then with the encouragement of his wife and children, he returned to the cockpit of his mind, strapped in, and readied himself for the ultimate mission—to live it all again with pen in hand.