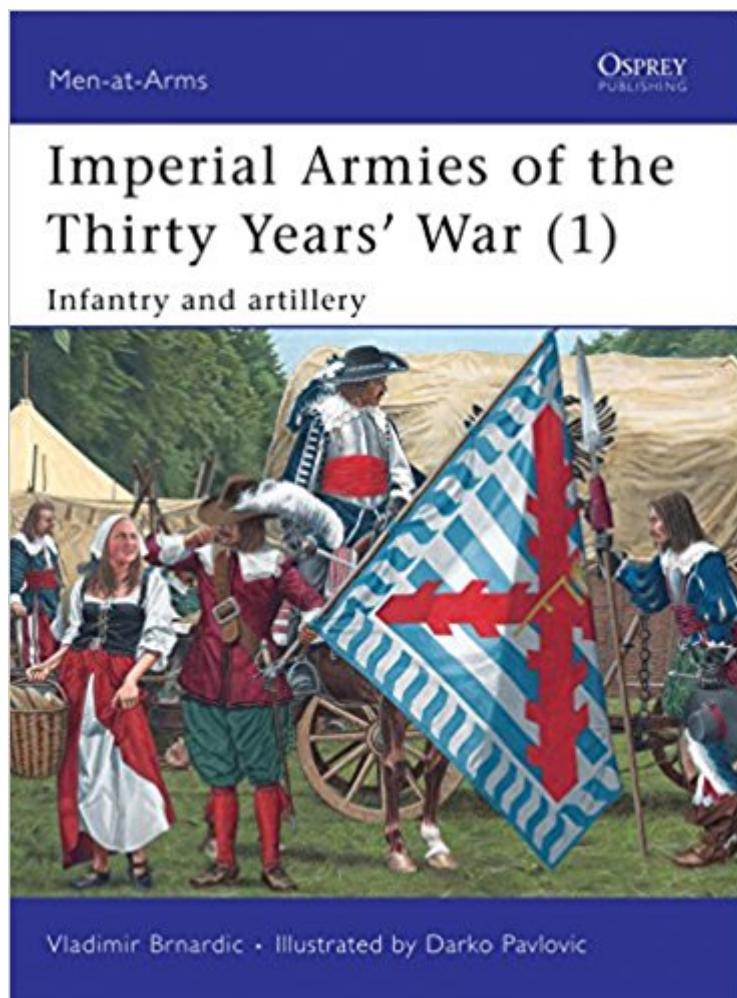


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Some of Osprey's products are really first class; others are no better than your average Wikipedia article. Even so, I was surprised by the low quality of this book. Most of the text seems to be written for someone who has little knowledge of 17th century warfare; it reads more like a general guide to the Thirty Years War than to the Imperial army specifically, and doesn't do that very well either. The writer is clearly a non-native English speaker - and many of the specialist military terms are incorrectly translated or simply 'off', for example the term 'marksman', meaning perhaps musketeer? 'Rifleman' (figure E3) where JÃ¤ger would have been much better. 'Pikeman in light dress'... hmm, perhaps 'unarmoured pikeman'. The photo-realistic artwork is jarring at first, but I can get used to it. More alarming are the mistakes - almost every reconstructed plate has serious errors, from the

anachronistic buckles on shoes and hatbands and the strange-looking lace collars, to entirely bogus figures, such as the 'Rifleman' E3, which is taken directly from a mannequin in the Army Museum in Vienna, designed many decades ago using outdated research. It is customary in the plates commentary section to describe the basis of the illustrator's reconstruction, a custom that here, with one or two exceptions, gets thrown aside. Both author and illustrator seem to have a poor feel for the period and this shows on every page. Even the information on the Hungarians and Croats, where they might have some local expertise, is sparse and generalised and the reconstructed Hayduk and Croat on plate E are two-dimensional and in places, plain wrong.

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