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Militant Anti-Fascism: A Hundred Years Of Resistance



Synopsis

Fascism is not a thing of the past. In this era of crisis and austerity, it is growing even stronger. The question is: How do we stop it? According to M. Testa, the fight against it must be aggressive and unrelenting. Using a mixture of orthodox history, eyewitness accounts, and unflinching analysis, he makes the case for a resolutely militant anti-fascism, one that gives no quarter and tolerates no excuses. Unlike other partisan accounts of contemporary battles against fascism and ultra-nationalism, *Militant Anti-Fascism* takes us from proto-fascists in nineteenth-century Austria to modern-day street-fights in London, providing a broad context for its arguments and looking at numerous countries over a longer period of time. The result is both a serious historical study and a story of victory and struggle, past and present, designed to inspire and energize militants. Lay aside, as M. Testa does, your faith in liberal, legislative, and state-approved approaches to today's fascist threat. Start by reading this provocative and unapologetic overview of militant anti-fascism and the strategies that have successfully confronted the far right when it has reappeared in its many guises. M. Testa, undercover anti-fascist blogger, has analyzed the changing fortunes of the British far right since 2009. He has written for the anarchist magazine *Freedom* and is a member of the Anti-Fascist Network.

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Customer Reviews

M. Testa is better known as the anti-fascist blogger "Malatesta," who has analysed the changing fortunes of the British far right since 2009, particularly the British National Party and the rapid rise

and collapse of the English Defence League. He has also written for the anarchist magazine Freedom and is a member of the Anti-Fascist Network.

.com is openly selling hate-based products rooted in left-wing domestic terror ideology. *Antifa*, a violent group of alt-left agitators and would-be mass executioners, has been designated a domestic terrorism group by the FBI and the Department of Homeland Security. Yet .com gladly sells *Antifa* products for profit, including: *Antifa: The Antifascist Handbook*, a how-to guide for committing domestic terrorism, murder and mayhem, all while celebrating left-wing communist executioners who commit mass murder in the name of left-wing fascism. *Antifa: How They Make A Difference & Why We Need Them*, a guide that worships the domestic terrorism of *Antifa* agitators and violent lynch mobs, arguing that lawless violence is the pathway to a left-wing utopia rooted in *eno* hate. *Antifacist Action Flag*, a hate-filled symbolic flag that inspires *Antifa* domestic terrorists to commit acts of violence and terrorism in the United States. The flag says *Antifascist Action*, with the *Action* part meaning bashing heads with bike locks, bombing government buildings and calling for the open murder of those you oppose.

White nationalists love giving negative reviews on things they haven't even purchased, let alone read.

The Art of The Deal was much better. I find it surprising that the same people who would destroy history and burn books actually have a book about them. Let's honor their wishes and burn this one too.

I gave this book to my Ethics Professor as a gift, and only two days later he takes a bike lock and starts bashing the fash. 10/10

i wish this covered the us as well. that's not made clear in the product description.

Covering 100 years of anti-fascist resistance in Europe, M. Testa has written an important piece of radical scholarship that reads like riot porn for intellectuals. While more than half of the book focuses on the violent street fights in England against the British National Party, the English Defense League, the National Front, and other neo-Nazi and ultra-nationalist far right organizations,

the book also has excellent chapters on Italy, France, Austria, Germany, Spain, Hungary, Romania, Poland, Ireland, and Scotland. Rejecting liberal, legislative, and state-approved tactics, M. Testa identifies three successful strategies to defeat the far right: physical resistance, political organization, and propaganda. Unfortunately, fascism didn't die with Hitler, Mussolini, and Franco, and as the economic crisis worsens globally, we are witnessing a frightening resurgence of right-wing extremism in places like Greece, India, the Ukraine, Israel, and the United States. Given this grim reality, I strongly recommend this book for anarchists to study as we simply cannot allow neo-Nazi skinheads and other fascists to gain political power and threaten the lives of Jews, Muslims, queer and transgender people, and people of color.

This, like most of the solid collection of available books on physical resistance, is primarily focused on the street war with the National Front in Great Britain during the last thirty years of the twentieth century. It's good to read into that history, and this is certainly as good as any of the books available in showing how a working-class resistance war, bridging the native-born and immigrant communities, can fight racism and fascism, and win. That's all very heartening, but things are moving very quickly now, and anarchists shouldn't think they will be any better at winning the last war than anybody else has been. Everybody's looking at Greece, now. All the little Hitlers gathered in Charlottesville were buzzing about the Golden Dawn and how that's what they want to be. They made the transition from street thugs to an electoral party almost instantly. The question is how much direct action will be a necessary part of shutting them down electorally, and how the Greek left does that. That brings us to the US. Nobody knows what's going to work here, either for or against an apparently legitimate fascist right. The thugs who showed up at Charlottesville are a police management problem and I am absolutely unqualified to write or say anything about that, except that I'm looking forward to reading Mark Bray's handbook when it comes out next month. If there will be any such thing as an anti-fascism self-help literature, it will start there.

Antifa is a Bolshevik Communist outfit dating from the early 1930s. They *say* they are "fighting fascists," but everyone who is not a Communist is a 'fascist' to them. Communism killed more than 100 million people in the 20th century. It is concentrated evil. I've attached a picture of Antifa ca. 1930. Look at it carefully. Same people.

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