

Edged Weapons of the Kuban Cossacks, Boris Frolov, Krasnodar, 319 pp, Russian language.

Large 8 1/2" x 11 5/8" format. Excellent and comprehensive photo reference of Cossack weaponry.

There were over twenty different "hosts" of Cossacks in Imperial Russia and those from the Kuban region of Southern Russia were among the most important. This heavily illustrated book explores the weaponry favored by this group of mounted warriors: sabres, shashkas, kindjals, firearms, etc. There is also a selection of the flags and banners associated with the Kuban cossacks. The photography throughout is exceptional as is the selection of period photographs of the weapons in wear.

If you were to own only one book about the cossacks, this would be the one to choose. Highly recommended.

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