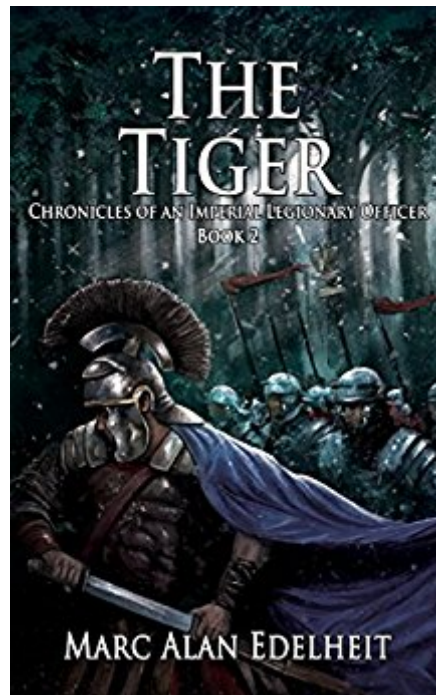




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Synopsis

Abandoned and cut off from friendly lines, Stiger takes the fight to the enemy! A nobleman from an infamous family, imperial legionary officer, and a born fighter— Captain Ben Stiger captured Castle Vrell and rid it of a minion of a dark god. Now he finds himself cut off from the empire with a hostile rebel army marching on the legion's fortress where they guard the entrance to the Vrell Valley. It is not in Stiger's nature to simply wait for the enemy. Badly outnumbered and facing odds greater than twenty to one, he sets out to impede the enemy's advance and show them the steel that the legions are made of. To help him on his way he has the services of his friend, Eli one of the last remaining elven rangers. As if matters could not get worse, an army of dwarves is preparing to retake Castle Vrell, a sacred place they name Grata-Kor. There are forces at play greater than Stiger can imagine. To survive, he must not only contend with a well-supported rebel army, but a hostile dwarven nation intent on fulfilling a mysterious prophecy that has the potential to shatter the world and bring ruin to the empire. The battle to save the empire and the world continues in this action packed adventure.

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Customer Reviews

I loved Marc Edelheit's second novel, I cannot wait for the third installment. The plot kept me wholly engaged and in suspense in relation to the twists that developed through to the excellent world building. The nature of the story was told from someone who knows their Roman History. My only complaint is that the book wasn't longer as I became completely engrossed in the story. Hoping that the next novel is not long in coming.

Wow! What a great story! Again Wow! What to say...? I picked it up, got teleported, and finished at 3 am and debated with myself if it was too late to start the third book. LOL! Wizards, Dwarves, Elves, Legionaries, and let's not forget the nasty little Gnomes, they're all here! But, the best thing is it is not too absurd, not too fantasy, too over-the-top. No. It is harsh, gritty even bloody as the legionaries slug it out doing what they do best. It is just a wonderful story and the way Marc Edelheit tells it is - well - perfect. He nailed it! Sir, you have just won yourself a new fan and we shall be 'following you'. Thank you! Now, on to the third book...

The second book in this fantasy series is excellent. Better even than the first book in the series, this is an excellent fantasy novel blended with Roman military style action. The plot is very well handled, builds to an exciting culmination, & I must say that at times it was so good I got chills. The characters are delightful, very interesting, & well constructed. The writing is excellent and involving. If you like fantasy or Roman military historical fiction you will love this book. I cannot recommend this book more highly.

Captain Stiger has triumphed over an evil minion and secured Castle Vrell. One might think he would have some time to enjoy his accomplishments. But of course, his relationship with the elves is about to get more complicated, the people of the valley are pissed off at all things imperial, the confederacy to the South is speeding up its land grab in the empire, and seems to have special plans for Vrell. With a magic sword to figure out, enemies before him and an untrustworthy populace behind him, Stiger just keeps pushing like the legionary officer he is. And of course, those pesky dwarves keep ominously hanging off to the side of the plot waiting for resolution...

Wow, again another great book that further builds on the previous one. I actually have loved reading this book as it further expands on the characters and of course the bigger picture. I enjoyed the story and can't wait to read the next book. I also like the magical aspect and characters that have

been woven throughout the plot, along with the awesome action scenes it holds you right to the end.

The only thing I HATE!! about this series so far is that the damn books are too short.... Just when I'm getting totally engrossed in the book it ends. AARRRRRRRRGh!!! That how I sound when I'm frustrated... My wife hates it... I almost wish I could fast forward a few years and read the next 3-5 books in a row. Look if you like military, scifi, sword and sorcery books... your going to love this series. Also, the way the author develops the characters, you become almost instantly emotionally invested with them. The world building he is doing is so unique, but at the same time totally recognizable... You have to read the books to understand, so I won't be giving you any hints. If you like this stuff you'll understand after you start reading and if you don't you won't even be reading this review. AND for you future Imperial Legionnaire fans.. good reading... AND to Mr. Edelheit, DAMN-IT! start writing some longer books... :-)

I greatly enjoyed the first book in this series, but was very disappointed with this offering. I will not be following this series as I see cliffhangers being his goal. I dislike writers that use now he's dead, now he's not as moments for epiphanies. I disagree that over the top graphic descriptions of battle injuries and slow painful deaths as helpful for the story line. The author was doing an interesting job of describing a long gone civilization adding elves was of course a given with his best and only friend being an elf. Now he is preceding on to multiple cultures without giving the reader an intro to them before hand. This decision will mean multiple boring flashbacks causing interruptions to the present story line. I hope he improves as he progresses, but it will be without my support.

The Tiger, book 2 of the adventures of Ben Stiger, is even more of a page-turner than book one. The way Mr Edelheit tells the epic tale of Ben Stiger and the 85th company is so compelling , it was only with great difficulty and my wife's urging, that I could put it down and bring myself back to reality. The way he slowly brings you into the world he has created and tells you the story of the life of Stiger and his Legionnaires and the epic adventure that they are thrust into is incredibly compelling. The merging of military history and a fascinating fantasy world is done brilliantly. It is the best series I have read in ages. Having said that, I am going to go back into that world and read book 3. I urge anyone who enjoys History or fantasy or just great storytelling to read this series. Thanks again Mr Edelheit !

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