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"Sajer is blunt in explaining his reason for sharing his experiences: 'to reanimate, with all the intensity I can summon, those distant cries from the slaughterhouse.' He succeeds in doing just that. . . . This book will remain relevant because it explores the psychology of the soldier at war."

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Guy Sajer served in Germany's Gross Deutschland Division during World War II.

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