



Leningrad: State of Siege

By Michael Jones

Download now

Read Online ➔

Leningrad: State of Siege By Michael Jones

“All offers of surrender from Leningrad must be rejected,” wrote Adolph Hitler on September 29, 1941, at the outset of Operation Barbarossa. “In this struggle for survival, we have no interest in keeping even a proportion of the city’s population alive.”

During the famed 900-day siege of Leningrad, the German High Command deliberately planned to eradicate the city’s population through starvation. Viewing the Slavs as sub-human, Hitler embarked on a vicious program of ethnic cleansing. By the time the siege ended in January 1944, almost a million people had died. Those who survived would be marked permanently by what they endured as the city descended into chaos.

In *Leningrad*, military historian Michael Jones chronicles the human story of this epic siege. Drawing on newly available eyewitness accounts and diaries, he reveals the true horrors of the ordeal—including stories long-suppressed by the Soviets of looting, criminal gangs, and cannibalism. But he also shows the immense psychological resources on which the citizens of Leningrad drew to survive against desperate odds. At the height of the siege, for instance, an extraordinary live performance of Shostakovich’s Seventh Symphony profoundly strengthened the city’s will to resist.

A riveting account of one of the most harrowing sieges of world history, *Leningrad* also portrays the astonishing power of the human will in the face of even the direst catastrophe.

↓ [Download Leningrad: State of Siege ...pdf](#)

📖 [Read Online Leningrad: State of Siege ...pdf](#)

Leningrad: State of Siege

By Michael Jones

Leningrad: State of Siege By Michael Jones

“All offers of surrender from Leningrad must be rejected,” wrote Adolph Hitler on September 29, 1941, at the outset of Operation Barbarossa. “In this struggle for survival, we have no interest in keeping even a proportion of the city's population alive.”

During the famed 900-day siege of Leningrad, the German High Command deliberately planned to eradicate the city's population through starvation. Viewing the Slavs as sub-human, Hitler embarked on a vicious program of ethnic cleansing. By the time the siege ended in January 1944, almost a million people had died. Those who survived would be marked permanently by what they endured as the city descended into chaos.

In *Leningrad*, military historian Michael Jones chronicles the human story of this epic siege. Drawing on newly available eyewitness accounts and diaries, he reveals the true horrors of the ordeal—including stories long-suppressed by the Soviets of looting, criminal gangs, and cannibalism. But he also shows the immense psychological resources on which the citizens of Leningrad drew to survive against desperate odds. At the height of the siege, for instance, an extraordinary live performance of Shostakovich's Seventh Symphony profoundly strengthened the city's will to resist.

A riveting account of one of the most harrowing sieges of world history, *Leningrad* also portrays the astonishing power of the human will in the face of even the direst catastrophe.

Leningrad: State of Siege By Michael Jones Bibliography

- Sales Rank: #1673046 in Books
- Published on: 2008-07-01
- Original language: English
- Number of items: 1
- Dimensions: 9.25" h x .88" w x 6.13" l, 1.40 pounds
- Binding: Hardcover
- 352 pages

 [Download Leningrad: State of Siege ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Leningrad: State of Siege ...pdf](#)

Editorial Review

Review

The Herald (Glasgow), May 17, 2007

“Jones charts the journey through moral and physical nightmare via the recollections of some who clung doggedly to life and from the diaries of many who did not see the end of the torment. It is a powerful narrative, evoking images of a descent into chaos few who had not experienced it could possibly imagine....Jones's gripping account is a tribute to the resilience of the human spirit in circumstances where it might easily have been overwhelmed, not by German firepower, but by sheer horror.”

The Historian

“*Leningrad: State of Siege* makes for compelling reading, and it is recommended to anyone who wants a better understanding of the human, and all too often tragic, dimension of the experience of ordinary people who lived in Leningrad and indeed much of Europe during the Second World War.”

About the Author

Michael Jones has a Ph.D. in history from Bristol University and has taught at Glasgow University and Winchester College. A Fellow of the Royal Historical Society, he has previously written books on Agincourt and Stalingrad. He lives in Croyden, England.

Users Review

From reader reviews:

Clyde Harlan:

Do you one of people who can't read pleasant if the sentence chained within the straightway, hold on guys this aren't like that. This Leningrad: State of Siege book is readable simply by you who hate those perfect word style. You will find the info here are arrange for enjoyable reading through experience without leaving perhaps decrease the knowledge that want to offer to you. The writer regarding Leningrad: State of Siege content conveys objective easily to understand by most people. The printed and e-book are not different in the articles but it just different as it. So , do you nonetheless thinking Leningrad: State of Siege is not loveable to be your top checklist reading book?

Brenda Taylor:

Typically the book Leningrad: State of Siege has a lot of information on it. So when you read this book you can get a lot of gain. The book was authored by the very famous author. The author makes some research prior to write this book. This kind of book very easy to read you can find the point easily after perusing this book.

Nicolas Olsen:

Your reading sixth sense will not betray an individual, why because this Leningrad: State of Siege reserve written by well-known writer who really knows well how to make book that may be understand by anyone who read the book. Written in good manner for you, dripping every ideas and publishing skill only for eliminate your own hunger then you still uncertainty Leningrad: State of Siege as good book but not only by the cover but also by the content. This is one reserve that can break don't determine book by its include, so do you still needing one more sixth sense to pick this!? Oh come on your studying sixth sense already said so why you have to listening to one more sixth sense.

Jennifer Klein:

Is it a person who having spare time then spend it whole day by means of watching television programs or just telling lies on the bed? Do you need something new? This Leningrad: State of Siege can be the answer, oh how comes? The new book you know. You are so out of date, spending your extra time by reading in this fresh era is common not a nerd activity. So what these guides have than the others?

Download and Read Online Leningrad: State of Siege By Michael Jones #3WC418MK5QP

Read Leningrad: State of Siege By Michael Jones for online ebook

Leningrad: State of Siege By Michael Jones Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read Leningrad: State of Siege By Michael Jones books to read online.

Online Leningrad: State of Siege By Michael Jones ebook PDF download

Leningrad: State of Siege By Michael Jones Doc

Leningrad: State of Siege By Michael Jones Mobipocket

Leningrad: State of Siege By Michael Jones EPub

3WC418MK5QP: Leningrad: State of Siege By Michael Jones