Reference sources which are mentioned are bibliographies, dictionaries, encyclopedias, directories and periodicals.

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**Reader’s Digest illustrated story of World War II: Cape Town: The Reader’s Digest Association South Africa, 1980**

This work presented in two volumes proves to be an immensely readable account of WW 2. It is very well illustrated with many photographs and several maps.

Against the background of WW2 the South Africans who fought on every front where the Allies fought, are portrayed. To quote the introduction to volume 2: ‘They played a worthy part in the immense united effort which finally brought to an end the most widespread, total War in the history of the World’. Under several chapter headings the roles of the South African Army, Air Force and Navy are described.

Other chapters deal with Hitler, Rommel, Eisenhower, the role of the Allies, and Japan.

**_The Soldiers by Willem Steenkamp:_ Cape Town: Don Nelson, 1978**

In this book the author portrays six South African generals who fought in three great wars in which South Africa was involved between 1899 and 1945.

They are General J. H. de la Rey, General C. R. de Wet, Major-General Sir Henry Timson Lukin, Lieutenant-General Sir Jacob Louis van Deventer, Major-General D. H. Pienaar, and Major-General H. Evered Poole. The portrayals are biographical and allow the reader to see the man behind the image of the soldier. The contents is highlighted by rare photographs from different South African Sources and the text is interspersed with anecdotes. This book deserves a special place among books about the South African soldier.

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