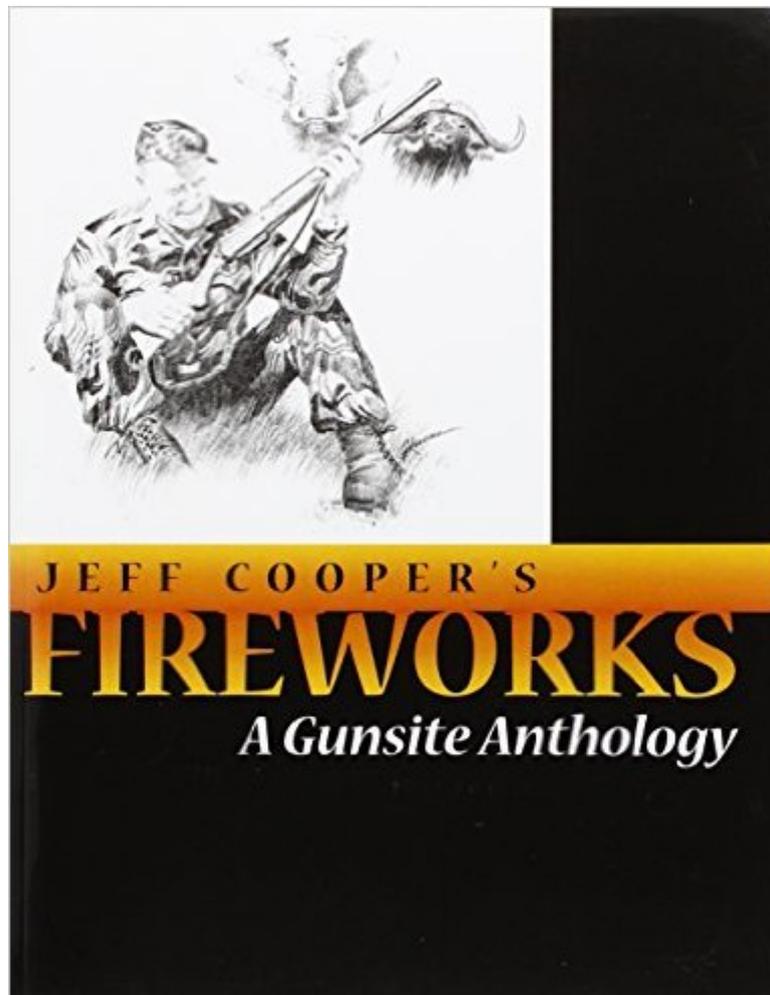


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# Fireworks: A Gunsite Anthology



## Synopsis

Fireworks is a collection of wild, hilarious, shocking and always meaningful tales from the remarkable life of an American firearms legend. Mount up and ride along with Cooper as he fights the Japanese in the Pacific, hunts giant Cape buffalo in Africa, recounts the exploits of such fighting men as Wild Bill Hickock and Medal of Honor winner Col. Herman Henry Hanneken and much more.

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Fireworks is Cooper at his best; with tales ranging from battles and hunts to tequila making and returning home from war. Cooper knows how to tell a story right; leaving in the details that breath life into every sentence. Whether making a carbine exciting or describing some of the best history of the twentieth century, Cooper draws the reader in with his masterful use of the English language. Originally purchased for my husband, now one of my favorites!

Fireworks is a typical Jeff Cooper book, being primarily a compendium of previously published magazine articles and essays. "To Ride, Shoot Straight, And Speak The Truth" has more coverage of shooting-related topics. This one covers a much broader range. Someone commented that this book is a series of disjointed essays. True, but they are really good essays! Each chapter is its own unique story. Kriegssoberst!, the tale of Hans-Ulrich Rudel, is among my favorites. Even though coverage of shooting topics is spotty, this is my favorite Jeff Cooper book, to be read simply to enjoy

the tale!

This Gunsite anthology from Jeff Cooper is full of the wit and wisdom that he singularly possessed. From philosophical examinations of violence in the historical heroes of American lore to good recipes for tequilla (or mezcal), this work gives a little more insight into the mind of a real American icon. I wish I could've met this great man.

Col. Jeff Cooper put this book of various stories and observations a number of years ago. I have looked for it in its original edition but had not found one. This paperback reprint by Pallidan Press became available and I had to have it and read it.

This Jeff Cooper classic is filled with many of his best magazine articles and essays. The content is great and definitely 5 stars. However, the publisher's choice of a large trim size (8"x11"), big font size, and extremely long rows of text make this very difficult to read without making one's eyes and neck sore from craning back and forth over the page. From a technical perspective, this is an extremely poorly designed book. The publisher should reset and redesign the interior of this title in a smaller trim size in order to make it easier to read and more portable.

You're either a Colonel Cooper fan, or you're not: I am. Interesting and varied stories kept me turning the pages until, alas, there wasn't another page to turn. If you like action/adventure stories, this may be just the book for you!

From the stories of Kreigsoberst to La Llorona, when I read this book it expanded my horizons in unexpected ways. The book unlocks insight into what the ancient Greeks called "arete," meaning, excellence, particularly in the sense of fulfillment of purpose, and how it manifests as a virtue in a person's life. Students of history, martial arts, cultural differences, may all find stories in this book which make it a most worthwhile acquisition.

Jeff Cooper has truly walked the walk and his insightful writing captures the spirit of the dying breed of the American individual. This read is entertaining and informative as well as a philosophical discourse on living the right way.

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