



# El Alamein

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sought in the abrasive personality of the new army commander Lieutenant General Bernard Law Montgomery But the long running controversies surrounding the commanders of Eighth Army Generals Auchinleck and Montgomery and that of their legendary opponent Field Marshal Erwin Rommel have often been allowed to obscure the true nature of the Alamein campaign This is also the story of how an army learned from its mistakes For too long the change in personalities at the top has blurred the real continuity of experience that saw the Eighth Army transform itself from a tactically inept collection of units into a battle winning army Pendulum of War explores the Eighth Army s learning curve and shows how lessons from bitter experience were used to develop improved tactical methods that eventually mastered the veterans of Rommel s Afrika Korps Book Jacket

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