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Operation Torch - November / December 1942: The Anglo-American Invasion of Vichy French North Africa: v. 1: 1960-2000

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Airfile Publications. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Operation Torch - November / December 1942: The Anglo-American Invasion of Vichy French North Africa: v. 1: 1960-2000, Neil Robinson, Peter Scott, Operation Torch was the code name given to the first Anglo-American amphibious operation of World War Two. It began on 8 November 1942 and was the invasion of Vichy French controlled Morocco and Algeria. Over 400 ships and 70,000 men were involved with overall command being the responsibility of American Lt Gen Dwight D Eisenhower. Air cover for the allied ground forces, was initially provided by aircraft flown from Royal Navy and US Navy aircraft carriers. The RNs Fleet Carriers HMS Victorious, HMS Formidable and HMS Furious and the escort carriers HMS Biter, HMS Dasher, HMS Argus and HMS Avenger, which had every current operational Fleet Air Arm aircraft type embarked from the relatively newly introduced Seafires to Sea Hurricanes, Fulmars, Martlets, Albacores and Swordfish, plus Walrus from the Catapult Flights of battleships and cruisers. The US Navy carriers included the Fleet Carrier USS Ranger and the escort carriers USS Santee, USS Suwannee and USS Sanamon, plus USS Chenango which was carrying P-40F Warhawks of the USAAF's 33rd Fighter Group....



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