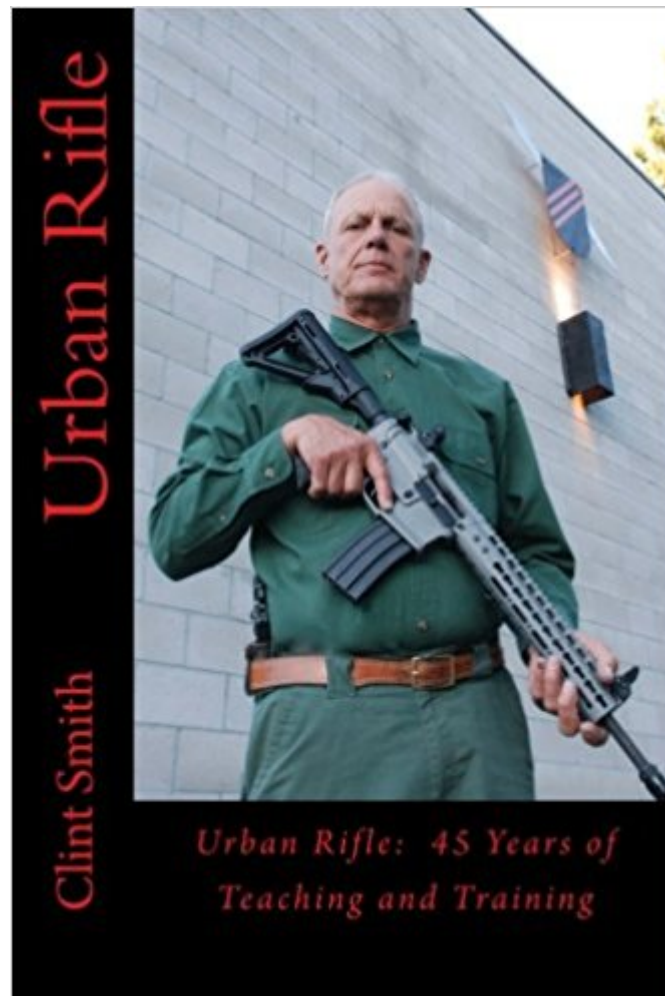




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Synopsis

During a career that has spanned decades Clint Smith has continued to teach the fundamentals of marksmanship to students from all occupations from Military, to Law Enforcement, to Civilian. He continues to teach and learn from his students that travel from around the country and internationally to Lakeview, OR to attend courses at Thunder Ranch. Smith's positive influence on students as well as firearms trainers can be seen in the longevity and success of both Thunder Ranch Texas and Oregon, in addition to ten years of International Training Consultants- ITC. In that time Clint has taught tens of thousands of students in hundreds of classes. LOGIC continues to be the foundation of the school and the approach to learning. This book is a compilation of a lifetime of training and teaching the rifle for over 45 years. In it Clint shares not only technique but wisdom in safe handling and his passion for teaching. This is Clint Smith's Urban Rifle.

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Customer Reviews

Clint Smith, President and Director of Thunder Ranch® is a Marine Corps veteran of two infantry and Combined Action Platoon tours in Vietnam. His experience includes seven years as a police officer during which he served as head of the Firearms Training Division as well as being a S.W.A.T. member and precision rifleman. He left law enforcement to serve as Operations Officer for the American Pistol Institute where he was Dean of instruction and was instrumental in range and curriculum development for A.P.I. In 1983, Clint founded International Training Consultants, Inc., an active mobile training program which is nationally recognized for innovative programs in Urban Rifle, Shotgun, Precision Rifle, and various handgun formats. In 1986, he served as Director of Training for Heckler & Koch, Inc., where he developed and taught progressive courses in fully automatic

weapons as well as conventional weapons systems. In 1993, Thunder Ranch® Inc. opened to show not only innovative training, but numerous range designs and functions of a type not seen before in one facility. Clint is a contributor to American Handgunner, American Cop, GUNS and SWAT magazines and has published articles in many other national and international publications. In 2004 TR was successfully moved to Oregon.

Clint Smith is a known quantity, having been in the field about which he's writing, for years. He's also an instructor who has the gift of distilling information into bite-sized, easily digestible word formulations. The compactness of this book, which is essentially a collection of tips, is indicative of that approach. On a first read through, I'm tempted to give this a 4 star review because I think it's missing a tightly woven narrative thread. It's more a feeling than anything tangible so I'm going to read it again and this time take more in-depth notes. In the meantime, it's getting an "I love it," simply because it's Clint and no matter your level of experience or expertise, Clint has something you can learn.

Not everyone can afford to attend Thunder Ranch. Although a book is not a substitute for training, the low cost of this one compared to the amount of knowledge you will gain is a great trade off. I am a professional firearms instructor, and I would highly recommend this book to my students.

Pretty dang good! If you're into firearms you'll know the wide variety of opinions on every aspect. This is Clint Smith's take on it. He knows what he's talking about and has the solid reputation. He's not a kook like a few teachers of the art and you'll find nothing extreme or controversial just solid approaches that works for Mr. Smith and countless others. Well written with lots of color and B&W photos. Well organized and worthwhile. Seems to be printed by a small almost vanity publishing company so I bet it goes out of print one day, hopefully with an expanded more professionally created edition (Not that there is any complaint about the quality of this edition but you can imagine a more polished version). I think if you have an AR you can benefit from this. If you're new to AR and tactical shooting this is a perfect starting point! Avoid all the internet "experts" and go with a proven master, Clint Smith!

It's a very basic text but basics are what work. Unfortunately, it's not written for beginners. Clint assumes you are already an experienced shooter. It's more of a reminder of the fundamentals for someone who's been through some training. Still, it's an excellent book. I only wish it were longer.

Clint's book is good for beginners or as a refresher for veteran shooters and goes heavily into the use of a rifle for self defense. His more than four decades of military, law enforcement, and training experience is an informative read. The book covers some historical information and then goes into the selection and use of your rifle. It mostly focuses on the AR platform as that is the most common and covers some things I didn't know or hadn't considered. Having gone to Thunder Ranch and trained under Clint you can see his personality in the book. If you have heard of Thunder Ranch and been there or seen the DVDs you will understand, if not I would say pick up the book. I recommend this book to all

This is a review of the Kindle Edition. This is the only kindle book whose photos can actually be clearly seen without having to do anything! the photos in the book are a bit larger (I purchased both the kindle and paperback), but in hindsight the kindle edition would have served. The material presented is timeless, and sure it covers some material you probably already know, but the review and the new nuggets of information make this a very worthwhile read.

Wow Clint Smith does what he does, and cuts through the nonsense, and delivers high quality information that is clear, concise, and actionable. If you are the new or the experienced shooting enthusiast you will not be disappointed with the information contained in this book. I would suggest reading it more than once, and then use it for continued reference. Thank you Clint.

An absolutely fantastic read. This book distills Clint's very personal, very professional training into book form. Clint very effectively stays away from the "Tough Talk and BS Tactical" advice that you tend to see in modern gun magazines. I recommend this book and Thunder Ranch very highly.

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