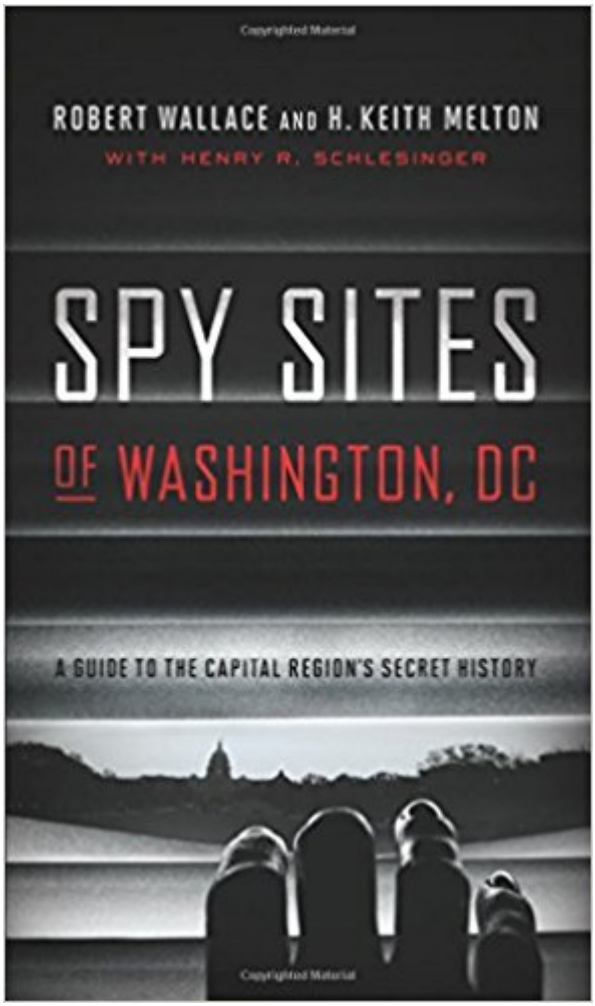
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Washington, DC, stands at the epicenter of world espionage. Mapping this history from the halls of government to tranquil suburban neighborhoods reveals scoresof dead drops, covert meeting places, and secret facilities Ã¢â ¬â ¢ a constellation ofclandestine sites unknown to even the most avid history buffs. Until now.Spy Sites of Washington, DC traces more than two centuries of secret history from the Mount Vernon study of spymaster George Washington to the Cleveland Park apartment of the "Queen of Cuba." In 220 main entries as well as listings for dozens more spy sites, intelligence historians Robert Wallace and H. Keith Melton weave incredible true stories of derring-do and double-crosses that put even the best spy fiction to shame. Maps and more than three hundred photos allow readers to follow in the winding footsteps of moles and sleuths, trace the covert operations that influenced wars hot and cold, and understand the tradecraft traitors and spies alike used in the do-or-die chess games that have changed the course of history.Informing and entertaining, Spy Sites of Washington, DC is the comprehensive guidebook to the shadow history of our nation’s capital.

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Robert Wallace is the former director of the Central Intelligence Agency's Office of Technical Service. He and H. Keith Melton have co-authored four books, including Spycraft: The Secret History of the CIA's Spytechs, from Communism to Al-Qaeda, The Official CIA Manual of Trickery and Deception, Spy Sites of New York City, and Spy Sites of Philadelphia.H. Keith Melton is an intelligence historian and author of several books,including Ultimate Spy: Inside the Secret World of Espionage. He owns one ofthe largest collections of spy paraphernalia in the world.

This is one of the best books I have bought. No kidding. I love history and it is full of history. I love and am proud of the intelligence community and this has great foundational knowledge on the art and science and leadership of required for success in the IC. And living in DC makes this book especially useful. I read it cover to cover, but it is now useful as a reference when I want to plan an outing. For example, I always knew about the OSS training camps at what is currently Prince William Forest Park. But now I have the background and guidance I needed to go visit the places myself. You will also find connections to what can be considered the first imagery collector/analyst, a man who could be thought of as the father of today's NGA. His old building in DC is still there and

is home to a pub so find it and have a cold one and toast what this guy did for our nation.

This book presents a fascinating look at the spies and the sites they inhabited. There are a lot of pictures which is a wonderful addition to the text. It definitely would be a ’take along’ on any trip to D.C. My only ’complaint’ is the gray type used throughout. It makes reading a little difficult.

Great book, Surprisingly comprehensive guidebook, with items ranging from George Washington to Anwar al-Awlaki. Whether you’re a long-time resident of the Washington area or a tourist interested in the area’s espionage history, you’ll appreciate this easy to use volume full of insider insights.

Interesting information about secret activities in the Washington D.C. area. Fun reading.

Very interesting "stories" from somber cases. Didn’t know that key bridge Marriott that I frequent was part of a plot.

Very cool book

Hello....I’m still reading it

First of all this book feels and looks great, I plan to carry it in my coat pocket on my next trip to D.C. I have been a fan of Wallace and Melton’s other books - "Spy Sites of NYC", "Philadelphia", "Ultimate Spy", etc. - but this one may be the best yet....after all, Washington D.C. is our national’s capital and it is loaded with foreign embassies full of foreign intelligence officers. This book covers the real world of espionage in DC from 1790 through to 2016. I love the easy to follow chronological flow of the book and it’s logical layout full of lush photos, maps and even the rare (FBI captured, etc.) Soviet cipher pad and other intelligence tradecraft artifacts. Only the historian and owner of the ’world’s largest collection of spy artifacts’ and the former CIA OTS (Office of Technical Services) director could combine forces and deliver this book! The perfect weekend trip: this book and its 220 sites to visit plus a trip to the International Spy Museum! (James Bond would be jealous!). I can’t wait for the "Spy Sites of Moscow"!

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