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Kurzbeschreibung

War and Peace is a novel by Leo Tolstoy, first published from 1865 to 1869 in *Russkii Vestnik*, which tells the story of Russian society during the Napoleonic Era. It is usually described as one of Tolstoy's two major masterpieces (the other being *Anna Karenina*) as well as one of the world's greatest novels. War and Peace offered a new kind of fiction, with a great many characters caught up in a plot that covered nothing less than the grand subjects indicated by the title, combined with the equally large topics of youth, marriage, age, and death. Though it is often called a novel today, it broke so many conventions of the form that it was not considered a novel in its time. Indeed, Tolstoy himself considered *Anna Karenina* (1878) to be his first attempt at a novel in the European sense. Synopsis

The text of this revised "Critical Edition" of Tolstoy's novel is based on the Maude translation. The editor has revised the text and updated and expanded the annotations. Three maps of Napoleon's campaigns and battles in Russia are included. The "Backgrounds and Sources" section includes the publication history of "War and Peace", selections from Tolstoy's letters and diaries and three drafts of his introduction to the novel. The book also includes 20 critical essays that provide diverse perspectives on the novel. Über den Autor und weitere Mitwirkende

Leo Tolstoy (1828-1910), a giant of world literature, is the author of many classics, including War and Peace and *Anna Karenina*.

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