Record Nr. UNINA9910438346303321 Prisoners of war: archaeology, memory, and heritage of 19th- and **Titolo** 20th-century mass internment / / Harold Mytum, Gilly Carr, editors Pubbl/distr/stampa New York, : Springer, 2013 **ISBN** 1-283-62382-X 9786613936271 1-4614-4166-8 Edizione [1st ed. 2013.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (336 p.) Collana Contributions to global historical archaeology, , 1574-0439 Altri autori (Persone) MytumH. C CarrGillian Disciplina 355.11309 940.472 Soggetti Prisoners of war - History - 19th century Prisoners of war - History - 20th century Concentration camps - History - 19th century Concentration camps - History - 20th century Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto pt. 1. Introduction -- pt. 2. Eighteenth- and nineteenth-century experiences -- pt. 3. Twentieth-century Britain and Europe: military prisoners of war -- pt. 4. Twentieth-century Britain and Europe : civilian prisoners of war -- pt. 5. Twentieth-century Japanese-American civilian North America -- pt. 6. Postscript. Sommario/riassunto The archaeology of war has revealed evidence of bravery, sacrifice. heroism, cowardice, and atrocities. Mostly absent from these narratives of victory and defeat, however, are the experiences of prisoners of war, despite what these can teach us about cruelty, ingenuity, and human adaptability. The international array of case studies in Prisoners of War restores this hidden past through case studies of PoW camps of the Napoleonic era, the American Civil War, and both World Wars. These bring to light wide variations in historical and cultural details, excavation and investigative methods used, items found and their interpretation, and their contributions to archaeology, history and

heritage. Illustrated with diagrams, period photographs, and historical

quotations, these chapters vividly reveal challenges and opportunities for researchers and heritage managers, and revisit powerful ethical questions that persist to this day. Notorious and lesser-known aspects of PoW experiences that are addressed include: Designing and operating an 18th-century British PoW camp. Life and death at Confederate and Union American Civil War PoW camps. The role of possessions in coping strategies during World War I. The archaeology of the 'Great Escape' Experiencing and negotiating space at civilian internment camps in Germany and Allied PoW camps in Normandy in World War II. The role of archaeology in the memorial process, in America, Norway, Germany and France Graffiti, decorative ponds, illicit saké drinking, and family life at Japanese American camps. As one of the first book-length examinations of this fascinating multidisciplinary topic, Prisoners of War merits serious attention from historians, social justice researchers and activists, archaeologists, and anthropologists.