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Amphibious warfare has a long written history that may be traced back to the wars fought between the Greeks and the Persians 2,500 years ago. However, it can be regarded as coming of age during the Second World War with a large number of landings throughout the war. Possibly the most famous amphibious assault were the Normandy landings on 6 June 1944, in which British, Canadian, and US forces were landed at Gold, Juno, Sword, Utah, and Omaha beaches. Since the Second World War there have been several important operations with the American landings at Inchon in 1950 and the Falklands war of 1982 perhaps being the most notable. British Armed Forces continue to regularly deploy amphibious forces, since 1999 operating in Bosnia, Congo, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, Kosovo, Afghanistan and Iraq. The undertaking requires the coordination of several military specialties which include air power, naval gunfire, naval transport, logistical planning, specialized equipment, land warfare, tactics, and extensive training in the nuances of this manoeuvre for all personnel involved.

This bibliography has been designed to provide a guide as to where to find information on Amphibious Warfare. Please note that the list of references below is a selection of the more relevant titles and information on the subject. The list is not intended to be exhaustive or definitive but is an introductory guide to some of the resources available.

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