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Sergeant Peter Wellsley is tasked with "paving the way" for the rapid movement of the army, and above all else neutralizing any loyalists who might slip off to provide warning. The entire operation is predicated on complete, total surprise, a near-impossible task for an army moving through areas that harbor strong loyalists. On the other side, Allen Van Dorn, still mourning the loss of his friend Major Andre, receives bits and pieces of reports from civilians that something is afoot across New Jersey and is tasked to find out what. When one of the former friends is captured, both must decide where their true loyalties lie during the heat of the Battle of Yorktown as Washington's professional army, once a "rabble in arms," executes the war's most decisive contest.

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Editorial Review

From Booklist

After chronicling the Continental army's bitter winter at Valley Forge, Gingrich and Forstchen leap ahead several years in their George Washington series. In 1781, the British have a stranglehold on New York, and the revolutionary momentum has all but stalled. A bold and decisive move is needed to end the impasse, and General Washington hatches a risky plan to engage the enemy forces at Yorktown. All they need to do is to march 300 miles south without being detected to launch a surprise offensive. Of course, none of this is accomplished in a vacuum, and Washington and company must count on master spy Peter Wellsley and their French allies for both support and diversion. Following the historical record, the authors combine real-life and fictional figures as all roads lead toward the conclusion of the bitterly fought Revolutionary War. High Demand Backstory: Although Gingrich and Forstchen's military sagas are always popular, count on increased interest in America's first—and only truly bipartisan—president this election season. --Margaret Flanagan

Review

"William Dufris follows the authors' lead and concentrates on emotions...Listeners interested in military history will be familiar with the story but intrigued by the emotions." ?AudioFile Magazine

About the Author

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WILLIAM DUFRIS has been nominated six times as a finalist for the APA's prestigious Audie Awards. He garnered eighteen Golden Earphones Awards through *AudioFile* magazine, which honored him as one of "The Best Voices At The End Of The Century." Of his work, *AudioFile* magazine said, "William Dufris commands a dazzling array of voices that bring to life the dozens of audiobooks he's narrated."

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