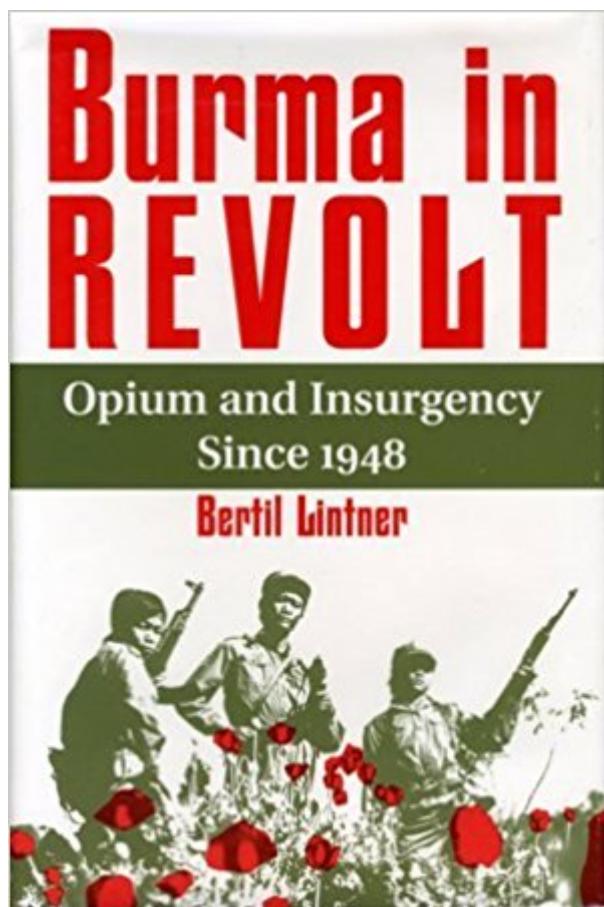


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# Burma In Revolt: Opium And Insurgency Since 1948



## **Synopsis**

Drawing on his extensive travels and personal meetings with rebel commanders, ethnic leaders and other key figures, this book presents a comprehensive picture of politics and society in the poor and bitterly divided country of Burma.

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Thick with history on Burma since World War II. This is a great book, not difficult to read. For anyone who doesn't understand Burma this is an excellent source for learning. I keep this book for reference!!

The spouse is Burmese and survived 8/8/88. They found this an excellent book that describes the opium trade in Burma.

The reader who have appreciated Lintner's maybe most famous work, Land of Jade (the description of a journey through insurgency-held areas in Burma around mid 80s), cannot miss this volume. Under the surface of an extremely documented essay, it's a pleasant and instructive work, recommended to the concerned traveller and to the scholar, to the journalist and to the reader fond of adventure stories. The book shows the connections between the legitimate aspirations of autonomy of ethnic minorities of Burma and the strategies to get them, the collapse of the dream of a real Union of Burma with full rights for every people of that country, the rationale which lies behind opium production and its exploitation by Rangoon military. The search for profit on the behalf of the

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