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Military Masterminds

4 x 60'

EPISODIC BREAKDOWN

1. Rapid Dominance

From Julius Cesar to Napoleon Bonaparte, ancient generals took advantage of a military tactic still used in modern warfare based on the use of overwhelming power to paralyse the enemy. A tactic known as Rapid Dominance. This episode explores the lives and feats of four men who used it to achieve victory: Moshe Dayan, Erwin Rommel, Colin Powell and Isoroku Yamamoto.

2. Combat Power

Combined arms operations use the force of different military corps to increase the combat power against an enemy. Combining these forces needs incredible planning, decisiveness and authority. This episode explores the lives and feats of four military leaders who used the tactic to achieve victory: Bernard Montgomery, William Westmoreland, Georgy Zhukov and Norman Schwarzkopf.

3. Deception

Disinformation, decoys, and traps. Strategy and tactics can be creative. But behind every deception, misinformation and masquerade are the Military Masterminds creating, planning and executing each strategy to defeat an enemy. This episode explores how leaders Winston Churchill, Nikita Khrushchev, George Patton and Muhammad Anwar Sadat, used the tactic to achieve victory.

4. Guerrilla Warfare

To surprise the enemy, attacking and disappearing without a trace. To harass, sabotage, ambush. Throughout the 20th Century the majority of guerrilla warfare centred around the confrontation between right and left ideologies. This episode looks at how Mao Zedong, Fidel Castro, Josip Broz Tito and Võ Nguyên Giáp used Guerrilla Warfare to overcome a militarily superior enemy.