

Busting the Bocage

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Résumé ou extrait : "Busting the bocage: American combined arms operations in France, 6 June-31 July 1944" shows how the U.S. Army identified and overcame the problems of fighting in difficult terrain. The adoption of new tactics combined with technical innovations and good small-unit leadership enabled American forces to defeat a well-prepared and skillful enemy. In the hedgerow country, the U.S. Army eventually brought the separate components of the combined arms team--infantry, armor, and artillery--to bear on the enemy simultaneously. The resulting successes were costly but effective. Combat in the bocage demonstrated the U.S. Army's capability to fight and win in a new and hostile environment." (éd.)

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