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## The True Story of 'Operation Mincemeat'

A real-life spy story on an epic scale.

By John DiLillo May 5, 2022

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### Ian Fleming and Operation Mincemeat

In November 2021, this newsletter featured the story of the WW II British Operation Mincemeat, an effort to deceive the Nazis about the Allies invasion of Italy and James Bond author, Ian Fleming's, part in this amazing story.

Recently, I came across another article about Operation Mincemeat and since I think this is such an amazing story, I decided to write about it again. It's particularly timely as this year marks the 80th anniversary of Operation Mincemeat and the subsequent invasion and liberation of Sicily on August 17, 1943.

See more about this story with this web link - [Click this link](#) - [Click this link](#)



## **Ian Fleming - the James Bond author developed a plan of deception to fool the German Army in WW II**

Although the author Ian Fleming dabbled in the visual arts, as most of us know, he ultimately made his fortune and fame writing the James Bond books.

Art Imitates (and is inspired by) Life

In 1939, a British intelligence officer and his superior, drafted a series of memos outlining intelligence operations against the Germans. These operations were designed to make the Germans believe one thing would happen while another operation was executed instead. These were called the Trout Memos, so called because successful fly-fishing for trout was contingent on having the fish believe the fly at the end of the line was real.

One of the authors of these memos was Lieutenant Commander Ian Fleming. The creativity of their ideas led to the development of Operation Mincemeat.

## ***Operation Mincemeat***



*Operation Mincemeat (Summary video)*

### What was Operation MinceMeat?

Operation Mincemeat was a British plan to disguise the 1943 Allied invasion of Sicily (click on photo to view a 58 min. video.)



*Bio of Ian Fleming (Video)*

A BBC documentary tells the story of Ian Fleming) and the origins of James Bond (click on the photo above to view the documentary).

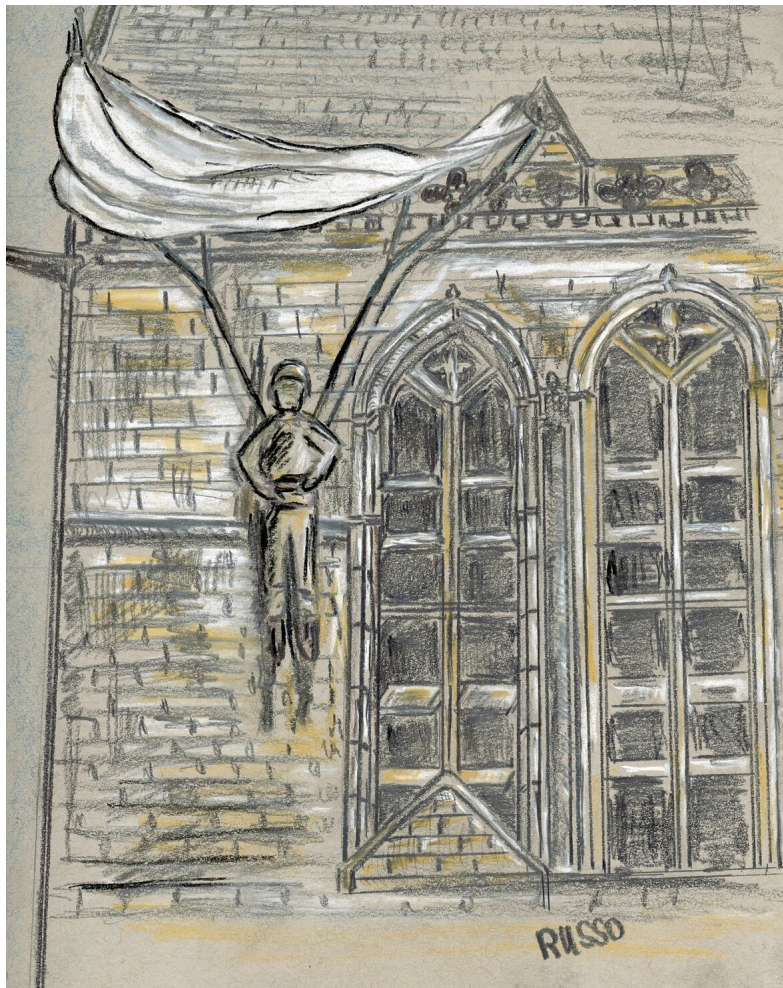


It is amazing that the James Bond character is based on Ian Fleming's real life adventures with British Military Intelligence, including the creation of Mincemeat. The success of this deception changed the course of World War II and ultimately the course of history.

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My drawing above, was inspired by the WW II D Day battle at St. Marie Elise in Normandy.



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