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*The story of the Ghost Army (Watch trailer 2 minutes)*

**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***

**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.)

*Operation Mincemeat (Summary video)*



*Bio of Ian Fleming (Video)*

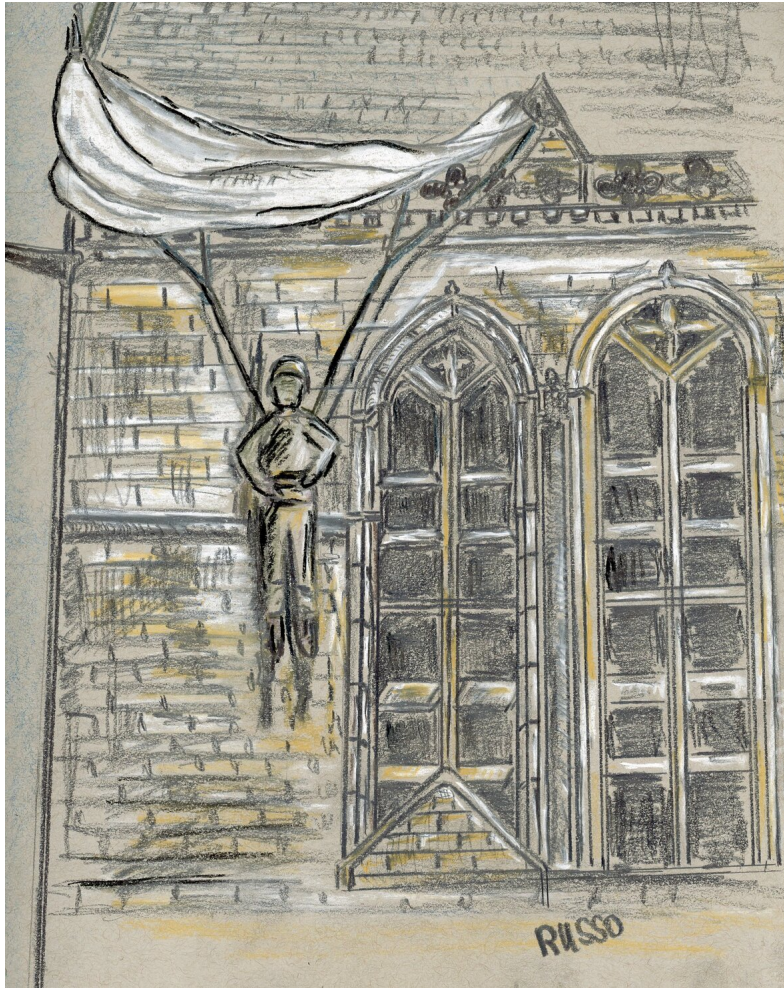
A BBC documentary tells the story of Ian Fleming) and the origins of James Bond (click on the photo above to view the documentary).

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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