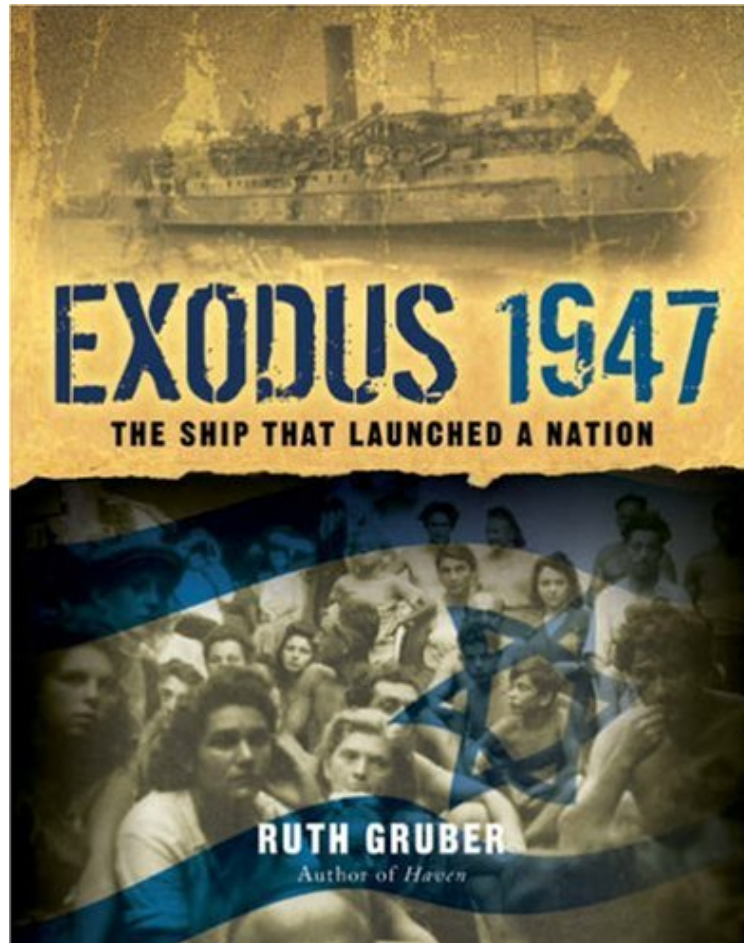


## Exodus 1947: The Ship That Launched a Nation

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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Heard Ruth Gruber speak in 2001 and bought one of ...By JerryHeard Ruth Gruber speak in 2001 and bought one of her books which she autographed. Saw the Haven on TV concerning her efforts during WWII. Saw the movie Exodus. Exodus 1947 detailed the plight of the Jews trying to enter Palestine and the ruthless treatment given by the British to keep them out. Did not realize until I read this book that the people on the Exodus were not sent to Cypress , but back to Germany to former detention camps.4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. ExcellentBy D. WollrichI first became acquainted with the story via Leon Uris's novel, Exodus. The actual story is much more dramatic than the fictional account. British behavior during and after World War II, whether under the Conservatives or Labour, was reprehensible. It was characterized by gross anti-semitism and pro-Arab bias (the US was not any better until the end of 1947). The captain of the Exodus was an

American - and he was murdered by the Brits in international waters. People who survived Adolph Hitler and the Nazis were shipped back to German concentration camps, only this time with British guards rather than Germans. The book is well written, originally published in 1947, and I would recommend it to all who are interested in how the current mess in the middle east developed. The Brits screwed up in every area they colonized, whether it was the United States, South Africa, the middle east, India, or Kenya (where about 500,000 Kenyans perished in British concentration camps). 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Glad I read it. By WeeselThe "EXODUS" started life as a Chesapeake Bay steamer and that was my initial interest. The story is a LOT deeper than that.

On July 18, 1947, American journalist Ruth Gruber stood on a wharf in Haifa as the Exodus 1947 limped into harbor. The evening before, this unarmed ship, crammed with more than 4,500 Holocaust survivors, had been rammed and boarded by sailors of the British Navy to prevent her desperate human cargo from seeking refuge in Palestine. Gruber rushed to the scene and began witnessing the events as they unfolded, ultimately spending the next several months pursuing the exiles from port to port on the Mediterranean. Gruber's quest produced riveting dispatches and vivid photographs published in the New York Herald Tribune and the New York Post that shaped worldwide perception of the plight of the DPs and arguably influenced the U.N. to create the state of Israel. This gripping book contains Gruber's moving images and text, plus additional reporting on the wretched camps in Europe where the refugees lived before boarding the Exodus 1947, as well as details of many passengers' eventual fates. In this edition marking the sixtieth anniversary of the voyage, Gruber's masterpiece remains as stirring and unforgettable as ever.