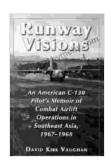
# **An American 130 Pilot Memoir Of Combat Airlift Operations In Southeast Asia**

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Couch begins his memoir by describing his early days as a young pilot, eager to prove himself in combat. He quickly learns, however, that war is a

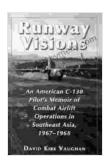
far cry from the training exercises he had experienced. The C-130s are constantly under fire from enemy anti-aircraft guns and surface-to-air missiles, and the pilots must constantly be on the lookout for enemy aircraft.

Despite the dangers, Couch and his fellow pilots continue to fly their missions, delivering supplies to troops on the ground and evacuating the wounded. They witness firsthand the horrors of war, but they also find moments of camaraderie and humor amidst the chaos.

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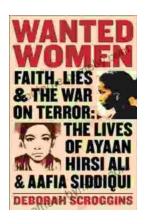
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