

WWII TANKS

AND HISTORICAL MILITARY VEHICLES

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TANKS AND VEHICLES OF THE SECOND WORLD WAR

[] n the 1st of September 1939 the invasion of Poland by the German armed forces began. This was the beginning of a long war in which the armoured forces of all the countries involved would play an essential role.

In just a few days the world witnessed the military actions of the German panzer divisions, now fundamental to the new offensive strategy developed by the German high command. *Blitzkrieg*, or lightning war, consisted of breaking up the enemy defences via their most vulnerable points and penetrating deeply, in the form of a spearhead, into enemy territory.

In the following years, and until the end of the war, the military industry of the Axis countries and the Allied powers produced a huge variety of tanks and armoured vehicles, some of which were the most advanced tanks that fought on all fronts in the Second World War.

Now you have the opportunity to learn all about the weapons and vehicles that formed the armoured divisions. Discover their technical characteristics, their history, their development and their action on the various battlefields. And find out why, in many cases, these fighting machines became so well-known at the time and were extensively studied in detail by military historians.

The Sherman was one of the American tanks most used by the allies in the Second World War.



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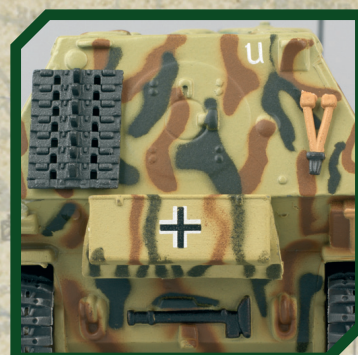
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Display stand with information identifying
each tank: specification of the model and the
theatre in which it fought

THE ARMoured VEHICLES THAT MADE HISTORY DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR



**Pz.Kpfw. VI Tiger II Ausf. B
(Sd.Kfz. 182) Porsche Turret (Germany, 1944)**

Three metres tall and more than ten metres long, this gigantic heavy tank mounted an 88mm gun. It was the largest and most powerful tank used by the German army during the Second World War. Its thick armour plating and its advanced design made it the tank most feared by allied forces.



**Schwerer Panzerspähwagen Sd.Kfz. 232
(Germany, 1941)**

This powerful, heavily armour-plated, eight-wheeled reconnaissance vehicle was armed with a 20mm gun and was designed to travel over all kinds of ground. It had a large loop antenna on the roof, through which the actions of several vehicles could be coordinated.

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Churchill Mk. VII (United Kingdom, 1944)

The heavily armoured Churchill was the most widely used British tank of the war. Its 75mm gun proved particularly effective against German armoured vehicles during the fighting on the Western Front in the final years of the conflict.



**M4A3 Sherman
(USA, 1945)**

Easy to produce and highly versatile, this legendary American tank became an essential weapon in the victory of the Allied armies over the Axis armed forces. Numerous versions were produced during the war, armed with different types of guns and howitzers.



M36 Jackson (USA, 1945)

This US heavy tank destroyer was equipped with a 90 mm self-propelled gun. This made it one of the few armoured vehicles that could to stand up to the German Panther and Tiger combat tanks.



**Panzerjäger Tiger (P) 'Elefant'
(Sd.Kfz. 184) (Germany, 1944)**

This large, heavy tank destroyer was armed with a powerful 88mm gun and protected by impressive armour plating that reached a maximum thickness of 200mm at the front.



**Pz. Kpfw IV Ausf. G (Sd.Kfz. 161/I)
(Germany, 1942)**

The versatile Panzerkampfwagen IV medium tank became the backbone of the *Panzerwaffe* and was used on all fronts. It was armed with a 75mm long gun and continued in active service in different countries for two decades after the end of World War II.



**Pz.Kpfw. V Panther Ausf. A (Sd.Kfz. 171)
(Germany, 1942)**

Considered one of the most effective tanks in WWII, this second production series variant of the Panther V included several improvements, such as a stronger running gear and drive train and better cooling systems for the engine exhausts.



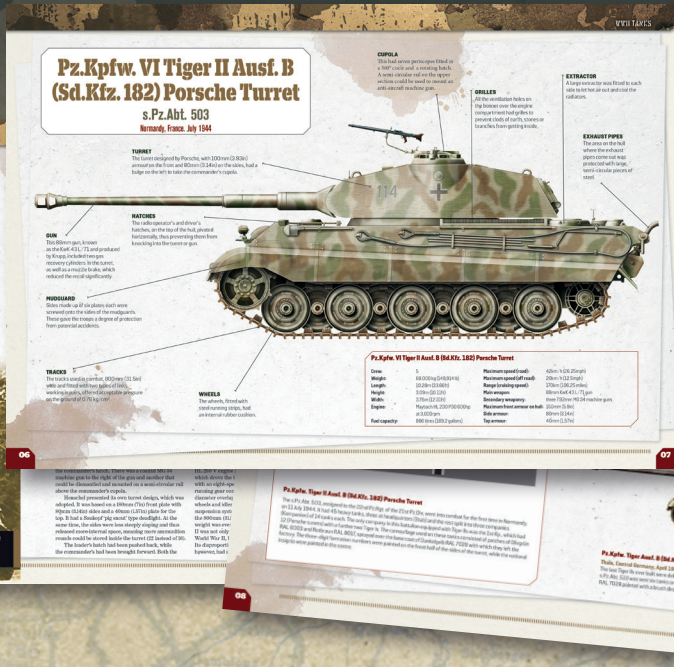
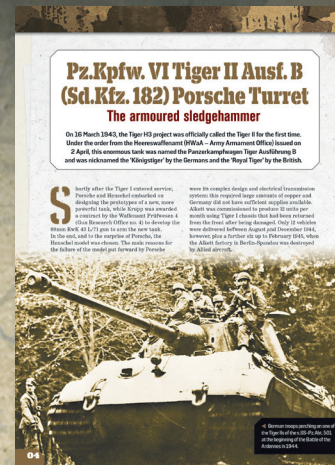
**Sd.Kfz. 9 FAMO 88 mm Flak 37
(Germany, 1944)**

The most powerful of all the German half-track tractors was the enormous Sd.Kfz. 9 FAMO, which, with a towing capacity of up to 18 tons, was used chiefly as a recovery vehicle for broken-down tanks at the front and for towing heavy guns, like the famous 88mm Flak 36/37.

...AND MANY MORE

AN EXCEPTIONAL PUBLICATION

The highly illustrated magazines are packed full of information on armoured vehicles and the role they played in the Second World War. From the legendary tank battles to the history of the armoured divisions, from the technical specifications to the weaponry they carried, discover all there is to know about these amazing fighting machines.



WWII TANKS

Discover everything there is to know about the most impressive tanks and military vehicles in history: their technical features, their armaments, their decoration and camouflage, together with detailed information on the battles they fought in. Highly illustrated with accurate artworks and historic images. Look forward to discovering impressive models such as the Panzer IV, the Tiger, the M4A3 Sherman, the M3 Lee and many more.



BATTLES AND TACTICS

In 1939, the German army's tank divisions revolutionized the concept of tank warfare. But the response from their rivals on the battlefield was not long in coming. Discover the battle history of the armoured units throughout the Second World War in this magazine section, written and supervised by expert historians.

HISTORY AND DEVELOPMENT

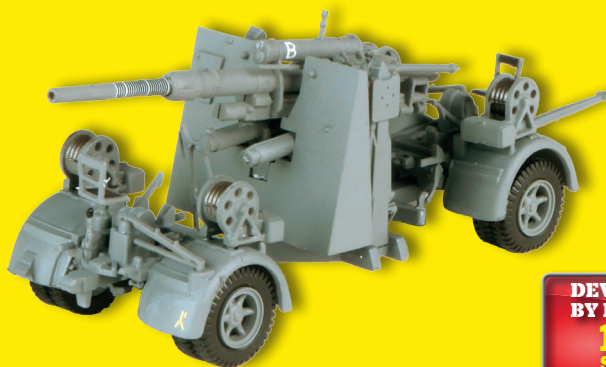
This section focuses on the various ways in which armoured units were used by the major armies that fought in the Second World War. Learn all about how and why they were created, the battles and operations they took part in, the tactics they employed and their preparation and training.

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88mm Flak 37

Originally developed as an anti-aircraft gun, this mighty weapon works equally well for targets on the ground.



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2nd GIFT

Steyr RSO 0/1

This artillery tractor was developed for the difficult ground conditions on the Eastern Front and pulled heavy weaponry.



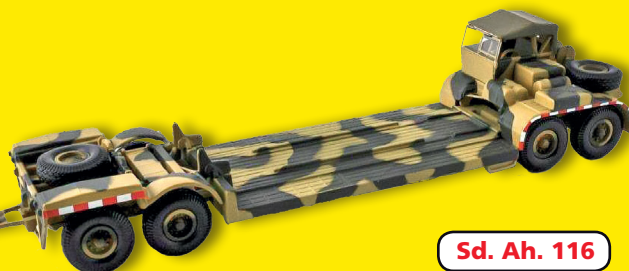
75mm Pak 40 anti-tank gun

One of the most effective anti-tank guns the German Wehrmacht had at its disposal.

3rd GIFT

FAMO (Sd. Kfz. 9)

This half-track artillery vehicle towed heavy guns and recovered damaged tanks.



Sd. Ah. 116

A 4-axle lowboy strong enough to carry heavy tanks.

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