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the 5th ss division wiking was the first international i e largely non german waffen ss division and the only german panzer division comprised largely of foreign troops the division quickly earned itself a deserved combat reputation but also served as a finishing school spinning off a host of additional waffen ss divisions

this military history examines the ss wiking one of germany s top fighting units in wwii who were largely recruited from foreign volunteers of german occupied countries butler describes their service on the eastern front for the nazi cause

a photographic documentation of the german foreign volunteer unit a valuable addition to any enthusiast s library of wwii military history books firetrench drawing on a superb collection of

rare and unpublished photographs the 5th ss division wiking 1941 1945 is the 5th book in the waffen ss images of war series by ian baxter the book tells the dramatic story of the 5th ss panzer division wiking at war the men of the division were recruited from foreign volunteers in denmark norway sweden finland estonia the netherlands and belgium under the command of german officers not all were collaborators the choice they were all too often presented with was join up or be locked up or worse during the course of the war the division served on the eastern front in 1941 it surrendered in may 1945 to the american forces in austria the photos are mostly unpublished before and give an excellent impression of wiking at war we see a good variety of conditions over the 5 years of their war from the height of summer to the depths of winter we see fine detail of their uniforms and personal equipment as well as the development of larger equipment from motorcycles and early panzer ivs to the larger panthers of the final period there is also good coverage of anti aircraft and anti tank weapons as well as heavier artillery there is a good spread of detail in here which will interest the historian as well as the reenactors militaria collectors and modelers alike military model scene

the second world war illustrated 1944 follows the author s visual tour of the war by means of painstakingly researched and digitally restored pictures from the period of the key battlefields and events of the period from september 1943 to the late summer of 1944 this year marked a defining change in the balance of the war by its end the axis powers were in serious trouble on all their fronts the book begins with a visual history of the allied invasion of italy at salerno and the subsequent slow progress made in italy including the battle for monte cassino the landings at anzio and the liberation of rome the focus then shifts to the planning for the normandy landings we are reminded of the magnitude of the task facing the allies with an analysis of the formidable defenses of hitler s atlantic wall and the beach defenses along the french coast there are fascinating pictures of preparations by the allies during operation tiger and detailed maps that explain the build up and execution of the invasion beaches there is detailed coverage of the d day landings and the fierce fighting involved in the breakthrough of the german defenses in normandy to the liberation of paris as well as the often neglected allied landings in the south of france the author provides a fascinating photographic history of operation valkyrie the plot to kill hitler on 20 july 1944 including key players the planning and the aftermath of the failed attempt on the führer s life there is a chapter on hitler s new terror weapon the v2 rocket including the men and women who designed them and the allied attempts to disrupt their development with the peenemünde raid a separate chapter looks at the growing air offensive against germany although overshadowed by events in the west there is chapter on the increasingly evident collapse of the german army on the eastern front which included the loss of his army group centre latter chapters turn our attention to the war in the east the american advance continued in the south pacific involving bloody battles to take what appear to be insignificant islands and island groups bringing the allies ever closer to the japanese mainland the british and indian armies continued to be threatened by the japanese army s push to india via burma which was finally halted at kohima and imphal with over 1 000 original photographs this is a true labor of love and an ideal purchase for anyone interested in

the history of the second world war in a more accessible form

this book is chock full of striking photographs taken throughout the war from the invasion of poland to the last battles in hungary a treasure western slope division this book follows the path of the 1st ss panzer division leibstandarte ss adolf hitler 2nd ss panzer division das reich 3rd ss panzer division totenkopf and 5th ss panzer division wiking from the opening stages of the war and the challenges of barbarossa through to the long and bloody retreat to berlin this exceptional collection of images captures the titanic struggle endured by these divisions and the chain of events they set in motion that proved so critical in shaping the face of the second world war featuring rare images this is the definitive record of ss panzer divisions on the eastern front and an essential addition to any enthusiast s collection

15th april 1945 the leader s order order of the day 15th april 1945 last proclamation soldiers of the german eastern front for the last time our deadly enemies the jewish bolsheviks have launched their massive forces to the attack their aim is to reduce germany to ruins and to exterminate our folk many of you soldiers in the east already know the fate which threatens above all german women girls and children while the old men and children will be murdered the women and girls will be reduced to barrackroom whores the remainder will be marched off to siberia we have foreseen this thrust and since last january have done everything possible to construct a strong front the enemy will be greeted by massive artillery fire gaps in our infantry have been made good by countless new units our front is being strengthened by emergency units newly raised units and by the germanic folk militia this time the bolshevik will meet the ancient fate of asia he must and shall bleed to death before the capital of the german reich whoever fails in his duty at this moment behaves as a traitor to our folk the regiment or division which abandons its position acts so disgracefully that it must be ashamed before the women and children who are withstanding the terror of bombing in our cities above all be on your guard against the few treacherous officers and soldiers who in order to preserve their pitiful lives fight against us in russian pay perhaps even wearing german uniform anyone ordering you to retreat will unless you know him well personally be immediately arrested and if necessary killed on the spot no matter what rank he may hold if every soldier on the eastern front does his duty in the days and weeks which lie ahead the last assault of asia will crumple just as the invasion by our enemies in the west will finally fail in spite of everything berlin remains german vienna will be german again and europe will never be russian

designed with the more visual needs of today s student in mind this landmark encyclopedia covers the entire scope of the second world war from its earliest roots to its continuing impact on global politics and human society over 1 000 illustrations maps and primary source materials enhance the text and make history come alive for students and faculty alike abc clio s world war ii a student encyclopedia captures the monumental sweep of the big one with accessible scholarship a student friendly image rich design and a variety of tools specifically crafted for the novice researcher for teachers and curriculum specialists it is a thoroughly

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a detailed history of all seven waffen ss panzer divisions in world war ii 1 ss panzer division leibstandarte adolf hitler 2 ss panzer division das reich 3 ss panzer division totenkopf 5 ss panzer division wiking 9 ss panzer division hohenstaufen 10 ss panzer division frundsberg 12 ss panzer division hitlerjugend each unit is presented in detailed history from its formation combat operations throughout the war and final disposition at war's end rare images most never before published including soldbuch and award documents and personal veteran accounts are featured along with equipment commanders maps and charts

a gripping sober and meticulous david margolick wall street journal biography of the infamous nazi doctor from a former justice department official tasked with uncovering his fate perhaps the most notorious war criminal of all time josef mengele was the embodiment of bloodless efficiency and passionate devotion to a grotesque worldview aided by the role he has assumed in works of popular culture mengele has come to symbolize the holocaust itself as well as the failure of justice that allowed countless nazi murderers and their accomplices to escape justice whether as the demonic doctor who directed mass killings or the elusive fugitive who escaped capture mengele has loomed so large that even with conclusive proof many refused to believe that he had died as chief of investigative research at the justice department's office of special investigations in the 1980s david g marwell worked on the mengele case interviewing his victims visiting the scenes of his crimes and ultimately holding his bones in his hands drawing on his own experience as well as new scholarship and sources marwell examines in scrupulous detail mengele's life and career he chronicles mengele's university studies which led to two phds and a promising career as a scientist his wartime service both in frontline combat and at auschwitz where his selections sent innumerable innocents to their deaths and his scientific pursuits including his studies of twins and eye color traumatized or killed countless more and his postwar flight from europe and refuge in south america mengele describes the international search for the nazi doctor in 1985 that ended in a cemetery in são paulo brazil and the dogged forensic investigation that produced overwhelming evidence that mengele had died but failed to convince those who arguably most wanted him dead this is the riveting story of science without limits escape without freedom and resolution without justice

please note that the content of this book primarily consists of articles available from wikipedia or other free sources online pages 23 chapters 5th ss panzer division wiking 23rd ss volunteer panzer grenadier division nederland national socialist movement in the netherlands heinrich boere florentine rost van tonningen 34th ss volunteer grenadier division landstorm nederland meinoud rost van tonningen klaas carel faber henk feldmeijer robert van genechten george kettmann h a sinclair de rochemont friedrich weinreb cornelis van geelkerken herbertus bikker jacob luitjens henneicke column ernst herman van rappard folkert posthuma fritz schmidt excerpt the 5th ss panzer division wiking was one of the elite panzer divisions of the thirty eight waffen ss divisions it was recruited from foreign volunteers from scandinavia finland estonia the netherlands and belgium under the command of german officers during the course of world war ii the division progressed from a motorised infantry division to a panzer division and served on the eastern front during world war ii it surrendered in may 1945 to the advancing american forces in austria after the success of the infanterie regiment mot leibstandarte ss adolf hitler ss verfuigungstruppen division and the ss division totenkopf during the early war campaigns in poland and the west it was decided to expand the number of waffen ss divisions due to the influx of foreign volunteers particularly from denmark belgium the netherlands sweden and norway a decision was made to form a volunteer division of the waffen ss under the command of german officers this unit originally organized as the nordische division nr 5 was to be made up of nordic volunteers mixed with ethnic german waffen ss veterans to this end the ss infantry regiment germania in the ss verfuigungstruppe division was transferred in late 1940 and used as the cadre for a new division in december 1940 the new ss

a new study of tank warfare used in the soviet offensive of operation bagration which destroyed army group center operation bagration the 1944 summer campaign on the russian front has been called hitler s greatest defeat the operation involved substantial tank and armored vehicles on both sides but the german forces were severely hampered by the transfer of dozens of panzer divisions to france to repel an expected allied invasion forced to make hard decisions german tank forces in the central belarus sector were weak compared to the heavy concentration of panzers in northern ukraine the red army exploited this vulnerability crushing army group center and pushing beyond the soviet frontier into poland and east prussia with this crucial victory secured the red army conducted successive offensives beyond the carpathian mountains arriving at the vistula river in poland and forcing romania to switch sides the red army had embarked on a major tank modernization after the kursk battles of 1943 and as a result operation bagration saw the first widespread use of t 34 85 and is 2 tanks as well as self propelled guns germany s panther tank finally reached technical maturity in the summer of 1944 but small numbers weakened its battlefield impact while other innovations such as the tiger ii heavy tank failed to leave their mark using new photos and a fascinating selection of color illustrations explaining the camouflage and markings of these tanks this book describes how the tanks and afvs on both sides contributed to the eventual defeat of army group center

a richly detailed epic narrative that gives the perspective of the german officers soldiers and civilians trapped in one of the bloodiest battles toward the end of world war ii ultimately leading to the massacre of 350 000 german troops shows what it looked felt and sounded like for the german troops encircled by the allied juggernaut in the west as the dealt with hitler s increasingly surreal commands to stand and fight to the last man

despite its belief in germany s superiority to other nations the waffen ss nevertheless raised a number of units that consisted largely of non germans the 5th ss panzer division wiking and its formidable panther equipped spearhead the 5th ss tank regiment rank among the most elite of these or any other formations recruited from anticommunist volunteers from scandinavia and other parts of western europe the vikings served with distinction on the eastern front clashing with t 34s and other soviet armor from the fall of 1942 into 1944 the 5th ss tank regiment s area of operations consisted of the caucasus and ukraine jacket

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