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SS Panzer SS Pride (Eyewitness Panzer Crews) Book 1: Barbarossa To Italy





Synopsis

â œWe shot at the Russian tanks when they came at us out of the dust cloud . . . the T34 exploded like a rotten fruit . . . engine, turret and deck all going in different directions, with the crew torn apart likewise . . . â •Told by the men who fought in the tanks, with all the searing aggression and violence that they experienced . . . the shocking first hand stories of the SS panzer troops themselves. These are the crews of the Panzer IV, the Stug, the Panther, Jagdtiger, Tiger and King Tiger . . . hear the authentic voices of the gunners, commanders and drivers who fought in some of the deadliest battles in human history. In 1962, a German researcher conducted a series of interviews with former members of the Waffen SS Panzer troops who had fought in World War 2. He intended to probe their motivations and psychology, but found them unwilling to discuss these matters in depth. The SS veterans were willing, however, to describe their combat experiences, and gave astonishing accounts of tank battles in Operation Barbarossa, Normandy, Italy, the Russian Front, the massive conflict at Kursk, the Ardennes and during the final desperate battles against the Soviets within the Reich and for Berlin itself. These were men whose memories of the battles were still vivid, and were ready to share the physical details of combat â " the explosive sights, sounds, and sensations of tank fighting, the weapons and tactics that they used, their triumphs and humiliations. Told in ice-cold, clinical detail, with phenomenal drama and sense of crisis, these first-hand accounts stand out today as one of the most remarkable testimonies to the experience of tank warfare in WW2. They will fascinate anyone interested in tank combat, the Waffen SS and the use of armor from 1941 to 1945. This is Book 1 in the series, with interviews covering tank battles in: Operation Barbarossa (Panzer IV) Onslaught in the East (Stug III) Kursk (Tiger I) Italy (Elefant and Panther) The full set of interviews from Books 1 and 2 is available in the book 'SS Panzer SS Voices.' This new edition of 'SS Panzer SS Pride' also features four evewitness accounts from the Sprech Media collection 'Hitler's Children - Spitting Fire' relating the combat of the 12th SS Panzer Division in Normandy after the D Day landings.

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Customer Reviews

Interesting group of short stories! I enjoy talking to the old veterans and hearing their first hand accounts. These are just veterans primarily from the other side. It is amusing to understand their motivation to fight as saving Europe from Bolshvism.

Interesting stories from direct witnesses. This was my first book of the series and I should have not bought 2 others right away. Indeed, some stories are re-used across books of the same series by the 3rd book, I only good enjoy one new story, all other were already narrated in one of the other 2 books

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I loved the stories. Just wish it had been longer or one complete book not broken into many small reads.

Always interesting, sometimes disturbing stories. I sometimes found myself hoping that they weren't 100% accurate, but I'm afraid that they probably are.

If you have read any of the other books in the series then sadly other than two stories you have read this book as well. Not worth the money.

I found the variety of the translated accounts to be fascinating perspectives of the war. It was easy to read and hard to put down.

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