

Kv Heavy Tanks 1939-45 New Vanguard 17 - The Indomitable War Machines



The KV Heavy Tanks, prominently featured in the New Vanguard 17 series, were an embodiment of sheer power and robustness. These formidable war machines played a crucial role during World War II, serving as the backbone of the Soviet armored forces. In this article, we will delve into the rich history of the Kv Heavy

Tanks 1939-45, exploring their technological advancements, combat effectiveness, and lasting impact on the battlefield.

The Birth of the Kv Heavy Tanks

It was the late 1930s, and tensions were rising across Europe. As war loomed on the horizon, the Soviet Union recognized the need for a new generation of heavy tanks that could withstand the onslaught of modern warfare. Thus, the Kv Heavy Tanks were born.



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With their thick armor and powerful guns, the Kv Heavy Tanks were designed to be impervious to enemy attacks. These tanks featured a sloped armor design, which offered increased protection by deflecting incoming projectiles. Additionally, their formidable firepower made them a force to be reckoned with on the battlefield.

Technological Advancements

One of the most significant technological advancements of the Kv Heavy Tanks was the use of welding in their construction. This innovation allowed for faster

and more efficient production, enabling the Soviet Union to quickly bolster its armored forces. The use of diesel engines also provided significant advantages, as they were more reliable and fuel-efficient compared to their gasoline counterparts.

Furthermore, the Kv Heavy Tanks were equipped with powerful guns capable of piercing through enemy armor. Their main armament, the 76.2 mm gun, was highly effective against German tanks, posing a significant threat to the invading forces.

Combat Effectiveness

During the early stages of the war, the Kv Heavy Tanks demonstrated their exceptional combat effectiveness. In the early months of the German invasion of the Soviet Union, these tanks proved to be a formidable opponent, often single-handedly halting the advancing German forces.

One of the most famous examples of their combat effectiveness is the Battle of Raseiniai in 1941. A single Kv Heavy Tank held off an entire German Panzer division for several hours, inflicting heavy casualties and effectively stalling the enemy's advance.

Despite their remarkable successes, the Kv Heavy Tanks were not without their flaws. They lacked mobility and maneuverability compared to their German counterparts, often making them vulnerable targets in fast-paced engagements.

Legacy and Lasting Impact

The Kv Heavy Tanks left an indelible mark on the battlefield and played a significant role in changing the course of the war. Their sheer size and power

intimidated the enemy forces and instilled a sense of invincibility among Soviet soldiers.

Moreover, the lessons learned from the Kv Heavy Tanks heavily influenced the design and development of subsequent generations of Soviet tanks. These advancements laid the groundwork for the future T-34 tanks, which would ultimately become one of the most iconic and influential tanks of the war.

Today, the Kv Heavy Tanks are lauded for their durability and historic significance. Many examples can still be found in museums around the world, serving as a reminder of the ingenuity and determination of the Soviet Union during a turbulent era.

The Kv Heavy Tanks 1939-45, immortalized in the New Vanguard 17 series, were a testament to the Soviet Union's engineering prowess and resolve. Their technological advancements, combat effectiveness, and lasting impact on the battlefield cemented their place in history as the indomitable war machines. Despite their shortcomings, the Kv Heavy Tanks paved the way for future developments and served as a symbol of Soviet strength during World War II.



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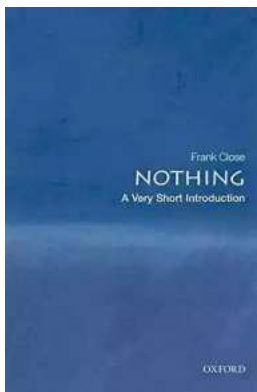
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Named after Kliment Voroshilov, the People's Commissar for Defence, the KVs proved a nasty surprise for German tank crews during the early days of Operation Barbarossa. Although slow, they were extremely heavily armoured. This volume examines the transition from multi-turreted tanks to heavy single-turret vehicles, consisting of the KV-1 and 2, and the increased favour given to the heavy single-turret after the Germans began to develop ammunition capable of penetrating even the thickest armour, whilst detailing the design, development and operational history of the Soviet Union's monstrous KV series of tanks.



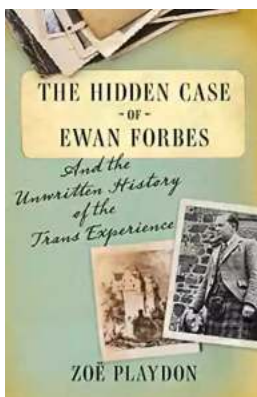
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