



SOVIET MEDIUM TANK T-34-85 (1944 MODEL)

55th Guards Tank Bde. 7th Guards Tank Corps, Berlin 1945

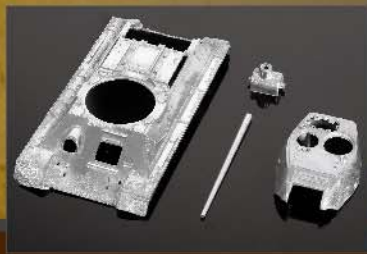


Although the German Military had known about the T-34 for quite a long time, it wasn't until they encountered it in combat that they realised how much of a step forward the Tank was compared to previous Soviet designs. Most noticeable was the glacis Front plate of the Soviet T-34, which helped alleviate the impact from enemy weaponry. Even with these advances the T-34 was still outgunned and less damage resistant compared to its German counter parts, but the sheer quantity that they were able to produce the tank (almost 1200 a month at certain points in the war), Gave the Soviets a massive advantage when it came to the number of tanks they could deploy at any one point.

The initial version of the T-34s was equipped with a 76mm main gun, however it proved to be inefficient against their main rivals, in particular Tiger and Panther tanks.

As a result, upgrading the firepower of the T-34s became essential to the Russians ability to fight back against the invading Germans.

Eventually the Military ordnance department upgraded the T-34 to a 85 mm main gun which proved far more effective, and to distinguish the T-34s with different main guns, it was named T-34-76, and T-34-85 respectively.



• Die-cast turret, hull top, mantlet and gun barrel



• Engine compartment details



• Realistic landscape display



• New tooled hull bottom, road wheels and caterpillars



• Open hatches



• Authentic weathering effect



• Highly detailed pad prints



• Moveable suspensions and spinning wheels

