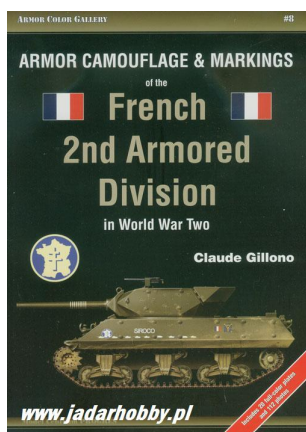


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M4A2 (28), "Tarentaise", from 2nd Company, 12 RCA is seen unloading from LST 517, probably on 1 August 1944. The prescribed set of markings is plainly visible. The division was equipped almost exclusively with variants of the early M4A2, with direct vision ports and welded or cast drivers' hoods, three or one-piece transmission covers and M34 or M34A1 gun shields. [NARA]



M4A2 (45), "Ile-de-France" (420657), is from 3rd Company, 12 RCA and was lost on 12 August 1944. While part of GACA, the 12 RCA fought gallantly against the Axis equipped with Somua S35s, which were allowed by the Armistice terms to defend French North Africa. They suffered grievous losses late in the Tunisian Campaign. This is why crews decided to remove the SOMUA manufacturer's plate on their former mounts and fix it on the glacis of their M4A2s. [NARA]



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## M31/M32 Tank Recovery Vehicle



"Fayo" is probably a M31S1 TRV, based on the diesel-powered M3A2 chassis. It is probably from the GER XV, the ordnance battalion. Post war reports established that the unit worked on 1,200 tanks and tank destroyers, doing major repairs on 651, and performed respectively the same work on 2,000 and 924 wheeled vehicles. [MLJMVP]

An M31 TRV of the XI/54 RADB in Paris. Additional TRVs were received in the UK just before shipping out for France. The French had to ask for the TRVs in December 1943, because the T5s or T6s allocated in the TOEs, when they were written down after the Lend-Lease agreements were signed in early 1943, were never built, and they needed an adequate means to recover AFVs under fire. [MLJMVP]

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## Armor C & M of the French 2nd Armored Division

M4A1 Medium Tank, "Lieutenant Barzilai", 1<sup>er</sup> Groupe du 3<sup>e</sup> Régiment d'Artillerie Coloniale (1/3 RAC). This Command/OP tank is an M4A1, with appliqué armor fitted only to the turret cheek. It probably replaced an M4 called "L'Ours" ("The Bear") in the 1st Battery. Lieutenant Barzilai was killed while fighting with the battery and the tank was named to his honor. It is a remanufactured tank, one of many Shermans used in the US for training

purposes which were brought back to the factories or stateside depots to be overhauled and refitted with the latest available accessories. Later in the war, the division's tanks received slightly different markings; here a simplified divisional insignia is applied only on the left side towards the front. The

Allied star was of a unique design and was applied in four positions (side and turret). The US registration number was retained as were some stencil on the left front side. The existing photographs probably show it just before the move to Germany in late April 1945.



M4A1 Medium Tank No. 48, 12<sup>e</sup> Régiment de Cuirassiers (12 Cuir). This early M4A1 of the 3<sup>e</sup> Escadron de Combat (3rd Company), fitted with the direct vision slots, has the rare modification of appliqué plates welded in front of the drivers' hoods. This was not thought necessary on the M4A1 due to the curvature and thickness of the glacis of this cast hull variant, but, apparently, this was done in Italy. 116 Shermans were handed over to the French Forces in the ETO by the US



5th Army. The 2<sup>e</sup> DB photo archives show it as "Durtal II" (the first "Durtal" was number 50) but it might also be "Saint Chamond II" (the first "Saint Chamond" was also numbered 48). A circled Allied star is visible on the transmission cover. While stars were infrequent early in the campaign, they became much more frequent from the autumn onwards. Some left over stencils appear on the side front, too. Place and date, the 2<sup>e</sup> Division's parade in Germany on 19 May 1945.



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