



History | 历史介绍

In the summer of 1943, with the Battle of Kursk looming, the German armored forces were concentrated in Army Group South, the main offensive corps on the southern front under Manstein's command. On July 3, 1943, the German armor was concentrated in Manstein's Southern Army Group, the main offensive corps on the southern front, while the Central Army Group, which served as the northern offensive corps, was short of troops, especially armor. Thirty-one Tigers of the 505th Heavy Armor Battalion, seven long-barreled No. 3Ns and eight short-barreled No. 3s, under the command of Major Schwandt, arrived on the north side of the Kursk Bulge and the 505th Battalion was assigned to the 9th Army Group under the command of General Modell and awaited the arrival of the Tigers. This unit was to be its first in combat. The entire Kursk battlefield had already brought together 182 of the then 310 German Tigers.

The battle was fierce on the first day of the battle, and Modell ordered the newly-arrived, breathless 505th Battalion to reinforce the 6th Infantry Division and immediately engage the western flank of Orekhovatka. The appearance of the 505th Battalion shocked the Soviets, not only helping the Germans to break through the 15th Infantry Division's defenses, but also posing a threat to the entire right flank of the 70th Red Army Group. At dawn the next day, two Red Army tank armies launched a massive counter-attack, but were cut off by their own minefields, leaving the battlefield at a stalemate. 505th Panzer Battalion actually arrived with only 16 Tiger tanks, the equivalent of only one tank. The 505th Battalion defeated the Red Army's first two battalions, the 88mm gun at a distance of about 1500 meters, and the 39 armor-piercing rounds easily exploded the T-34's turret or frontal armor. The Front Tank Brigade, destroyed 42 tanks of the 107th Tank Brigade, 15 of which were hardy KV-1 heavy tanks. This was followed by the Soviet 164th Tank Brigade, which lost half of its tanks. In the fierce firefight, all of the 505th Battalion's tanks were destroyed by the Soviets'Anti-tank fire hit several times, but the T-34's 76.2mm gun did not effectively penetrate the Tiger's front armor until 400 meters away, resulting in only one Tiger being lost in the 505th Battalion.

The Reds' counterattack was repulsed, but their carefully deployed anti-tank gun emplacements and minefields made it difficult for a single battalion of the 505th Armored Battalion to break through. Even though Modell continued to commit troops, the entire offensive remained unchanged. The Red Army continued to commit reserve troops to counterattacks from time to time, and the battle was already heating up.On July 10, with the addition of three Tigers, the 505th Heavy Armored Battalion still had a substantial strength of 26 Tigers and 10 No. 3 tanks, and on July 15, the battalion was flanked by the Red Army in a counterattack near Velts Taglow. In response Major Schwandt sent two Tigers to stop the attack In just one hour, these two tanks destroyed 32 T-34s without a single scratch, making the Tiger an unbeatable monster for the Soviet armored forces.

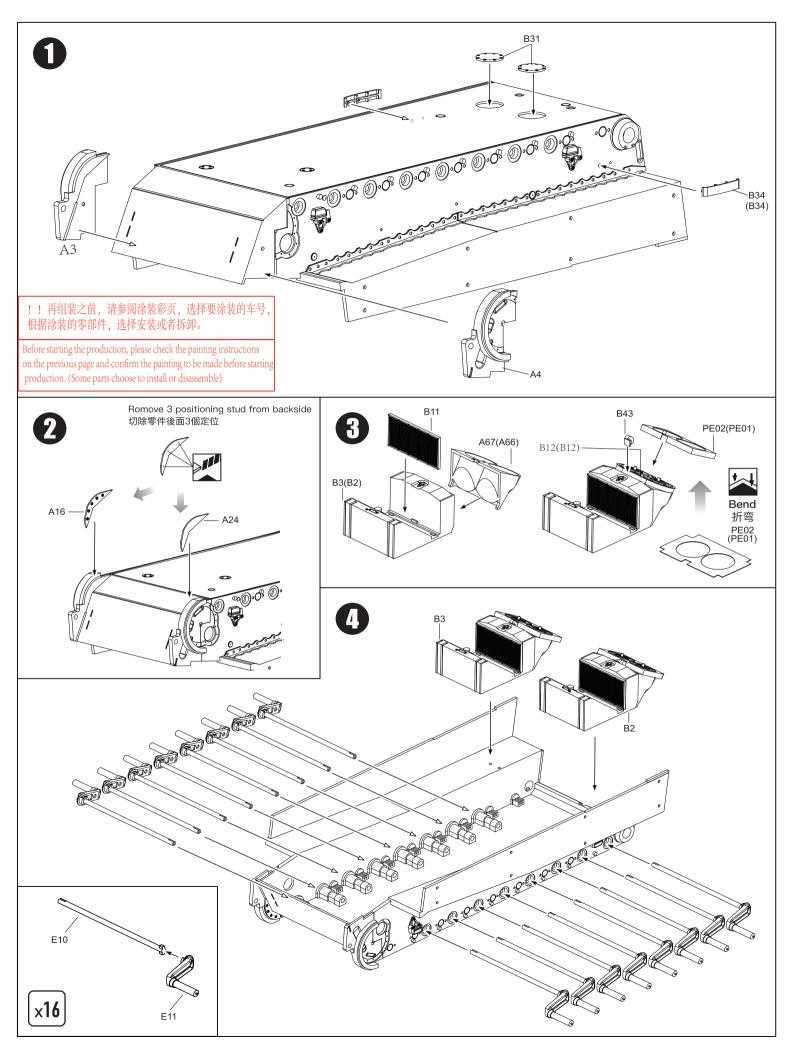
A Red Army tank commander wrote in his report, "I attacked an MK-6 tank ("Tiger") at a distance of 400 yards. I fired 8-10 shots at its flanks and turret with armor-piercing rounds, and each hit was bounced off. The Tiger destroyed the tanks on both of my flanks and left the battlefield. The 505th Heavy Battalion lost only four tanks during the days of the Battle of Kursk. However, compared to the 505th's successes on the Northern Front, the Tiger's successes on the Southern Front were not as impressive. Underestimating the depth of the Soviet defensive positions, Manstein lost nine of the 503rd's Tigers to Soviet mines and anti-tank guns, and by July 8 the battalion had lost 34 of its tanks. The Soviets recovered most of the Tiger wrecks, and with the Tiger abandoned for lack of fuel, mechanical failure, or road blockage, the Red Army had accumulated a considerable number of German heavy tanks, which the Soviet military-industrial complex would soon give the Germans a taste of their own medicine.

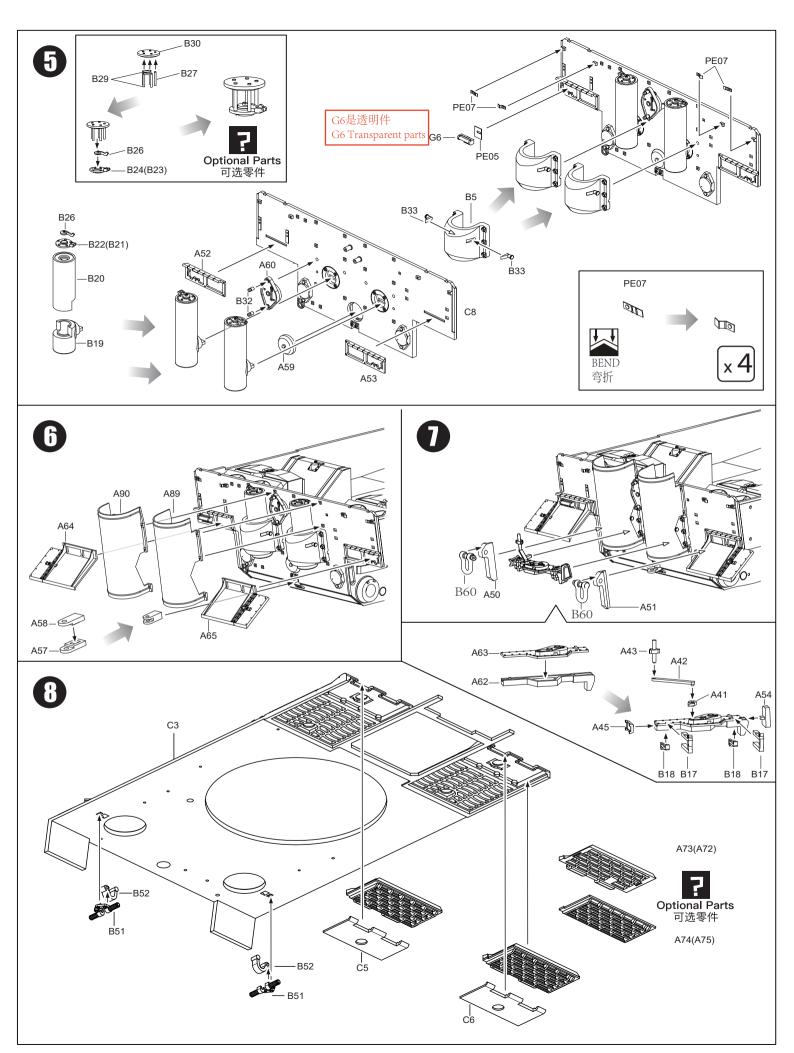
-南方集闭军群。而担任北路进攻的中央集团军群则兵力不足,尤其缺少装甲力量。7月3日, 1943年夏,库尔斯克会战在即,德军装甲力量云集在曼施坦因指挥的南线主攻兵团 第505重装甲营的31辆"虎"式,7辆长炮管3号N型,8辆短管3号电克,在施旺特少%的指挥下抵达了库尔斯克突出部北侧,505营被配属到莫德尔大将指挥的第9集团军麾下,等待这支部队的将是其第一次实战。而整个库尔斯克战场上已经汇集了当时德军310辆老虎中的182辆。

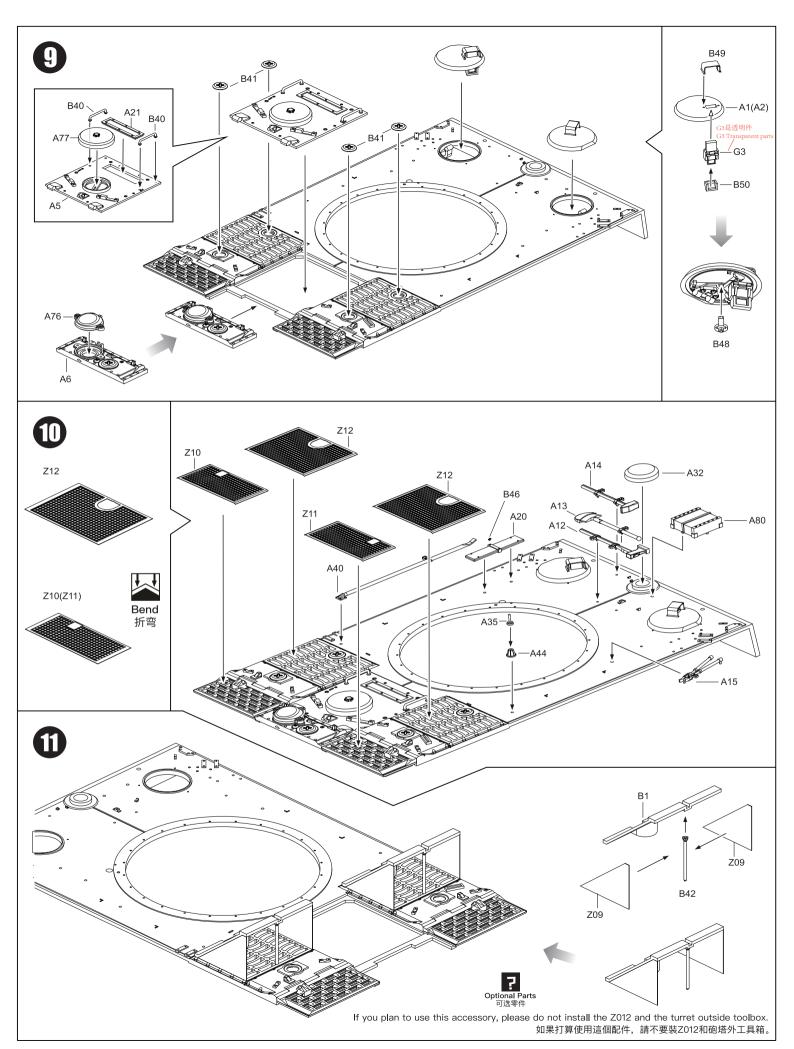
战役第一天的战斗就非常激烈,莫德尔命令刚刚抵达、喘息未定的505营加强给第6步兵师,立即投入到奥里霍瓦特卡西面的战斗。505营相当部分的坦克还在运输卸载途中,初 次参战就建制不整,还是一场硬仗,而这,就是东线的特色!505营的出现震骇了苏军,不仅帮助德军突破了第15步兵师的防线,而且对红军第70集团军的整个右翼都构成了很大威 胁。

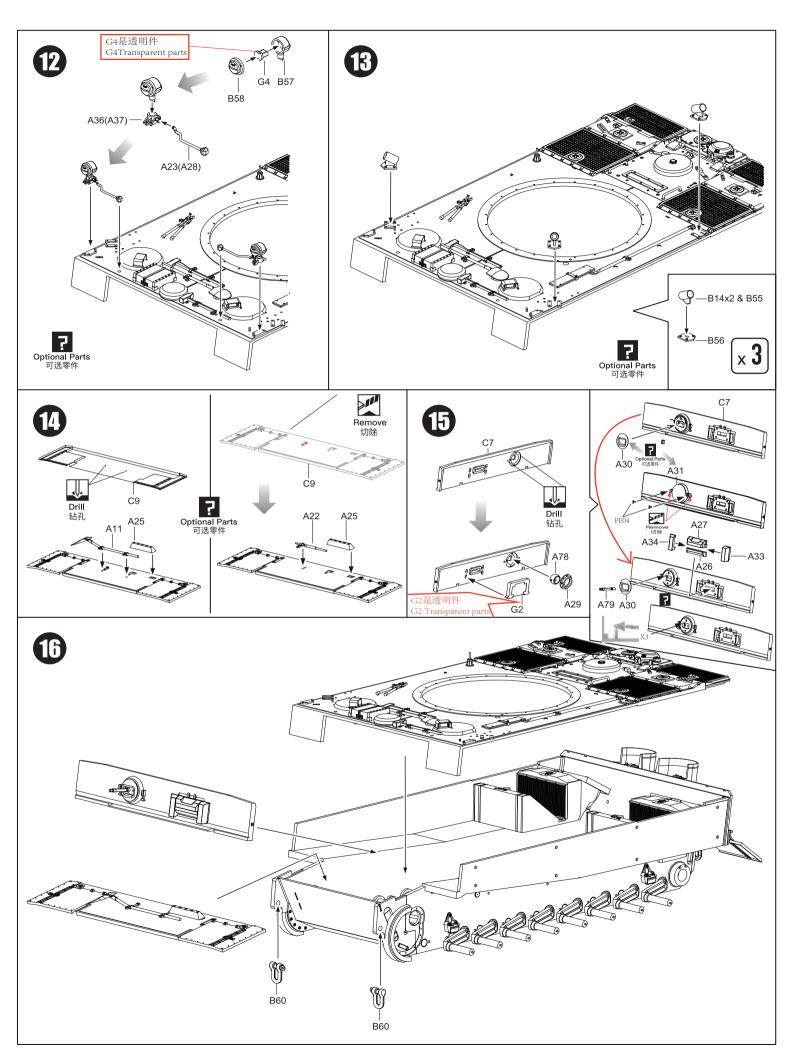
第二天黎明,两个红军坦克军发起了大规模逆袭,但却被自己埋设的雷场给阻截了一半的兵力,战场境况趋于胶着。505装甲营真正抵达的只有16辆"虎"式坦克,仅相当于-第二人条明,网门红手是光手及脸上不及喉咙,但却被自己连续时里均匀阻蔽了一个时天刀,成功来加起了底面。500名,自然是17万万万万万万万万万万万万万万万万万万万万 半连的兵力,施旺特少校将坦克排成锲型战斗队形,88毫米炮在1500米左右距离就远程发炮了,39型穿甲弹很轻松地打爆了T-34的炮塔或正面装甲。505营先后击溃了红军两个先锋坦克旅,摧毁了第107坦克旅的42辆坦克,其中有15辆是很难缠的KV-1重型坦克。随后跟进的苏军第164坦克旅的坦克也有一半战损。在激烈的交火中,505营所有坦克都被苏军的 反坦克炮火多次击中,但T-34的76.2毫米炮却要到400米以内才能有效击穿"虎"式的前装甲,因而505营只有一辆"虎"式战损。 红军的反攻虽然被打退,但他们精心部署了大量的反坦克炮阵地和雷场,仅靠505装甲营一个营级单位的神勇是难以完成突破的。莫德尔即使不断地投入兵力,但整个进攻仍寸步

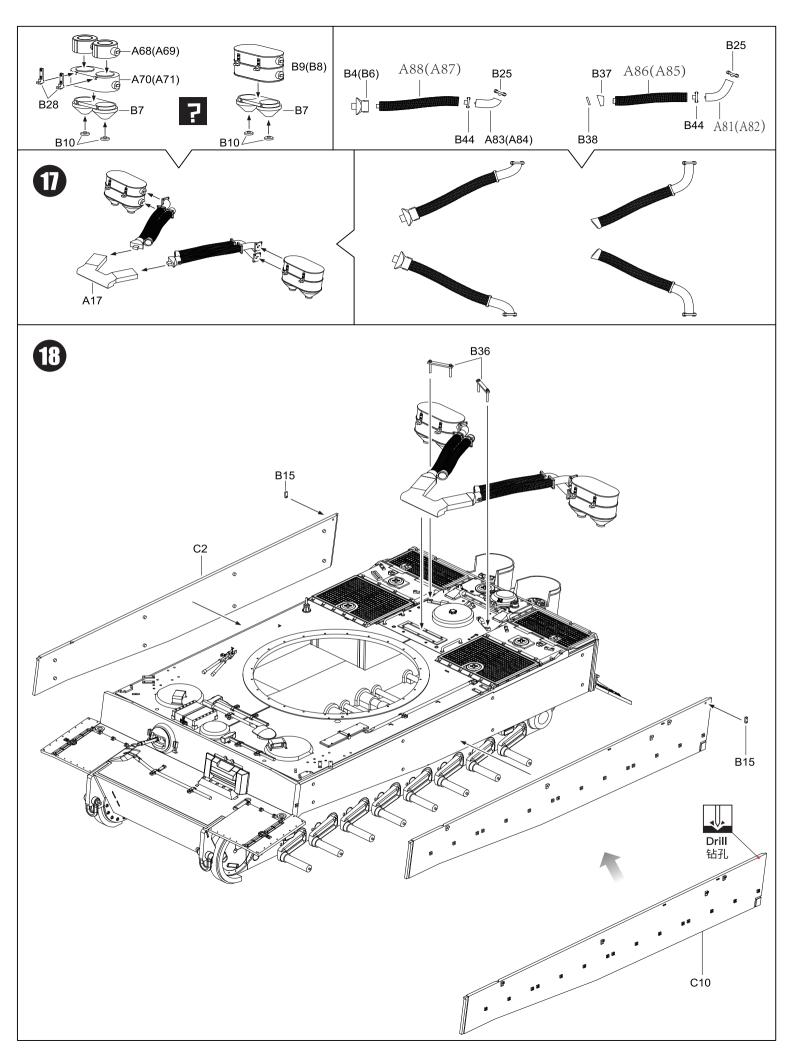
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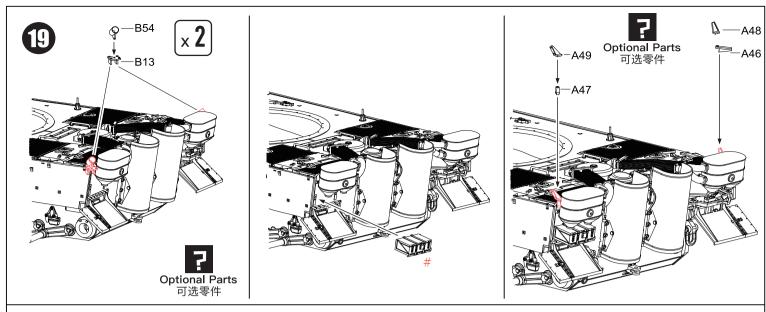


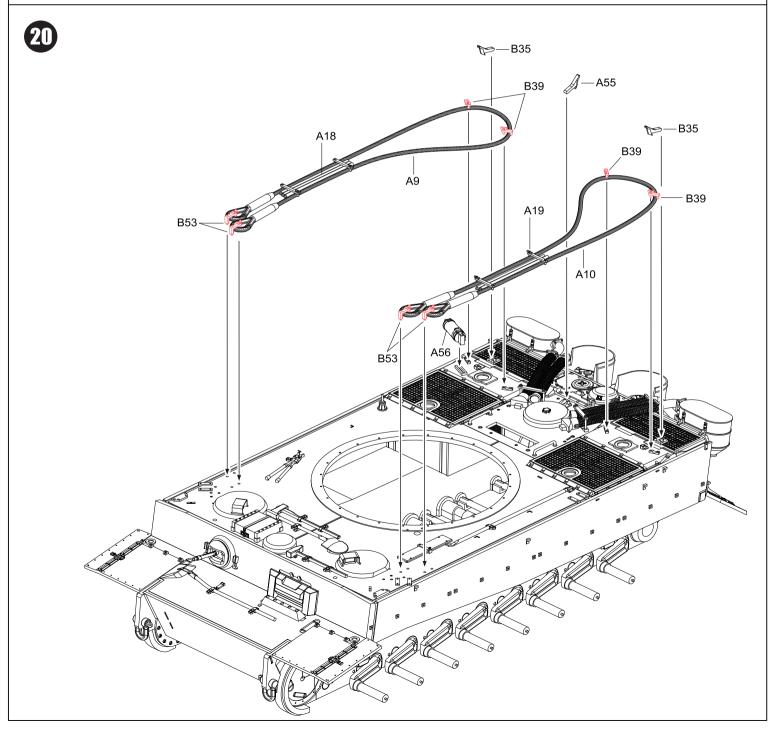


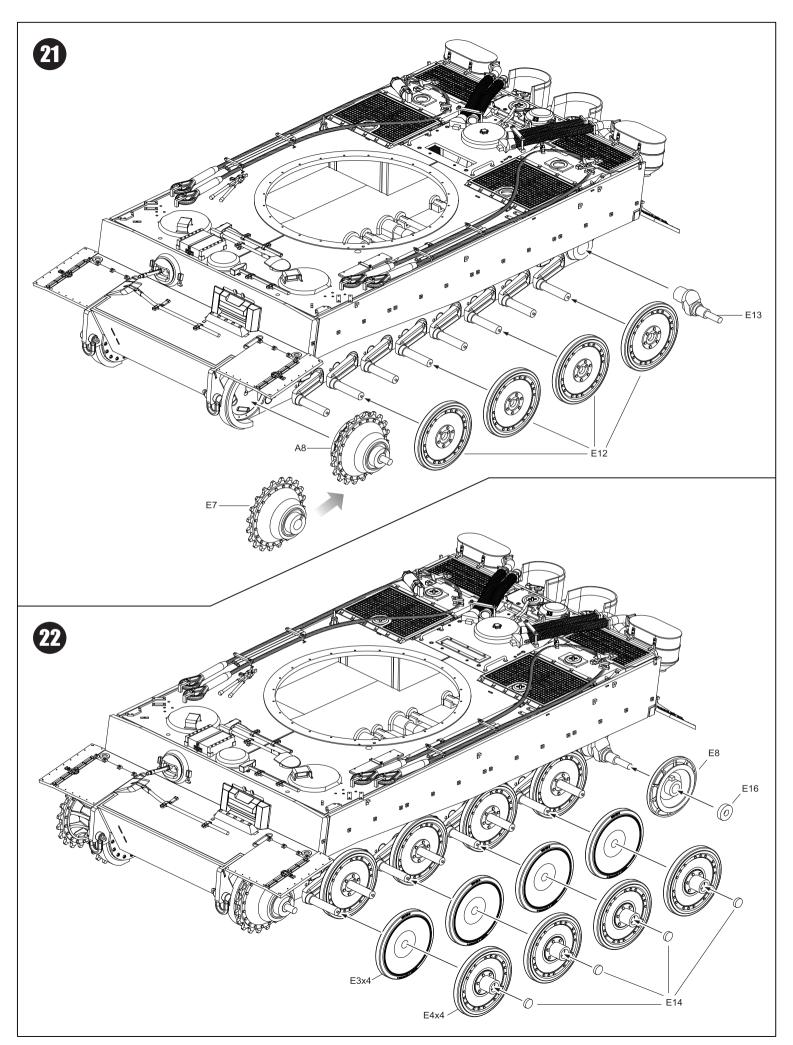


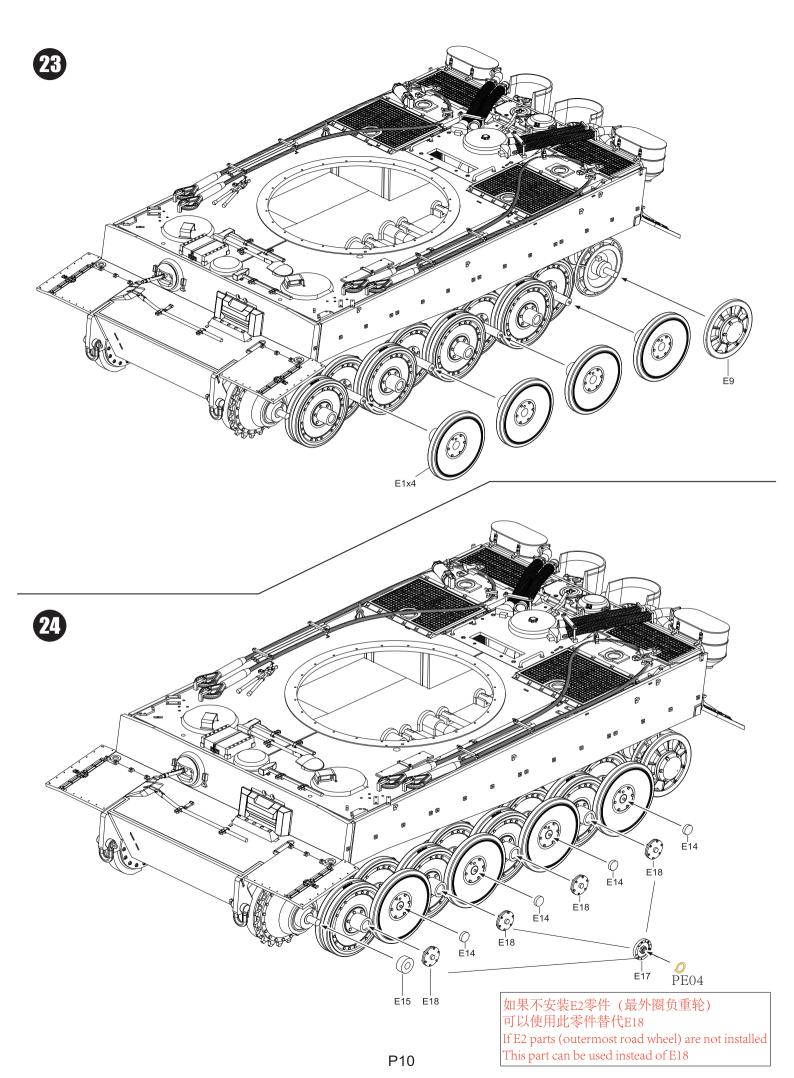


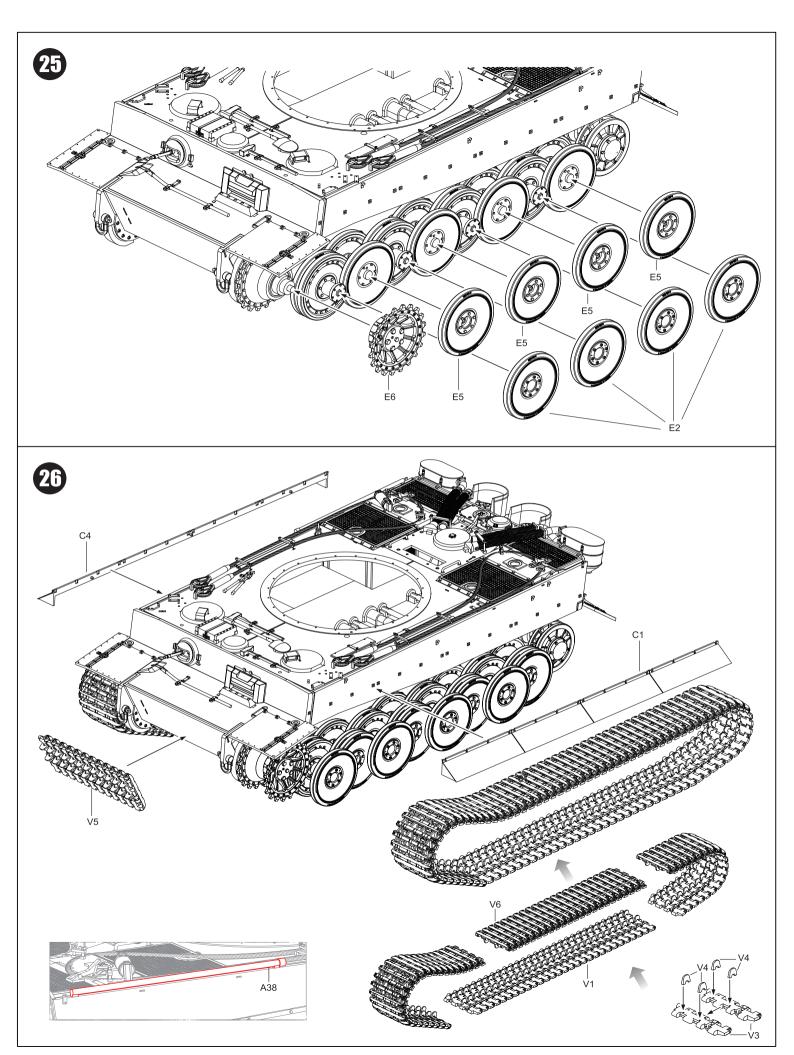


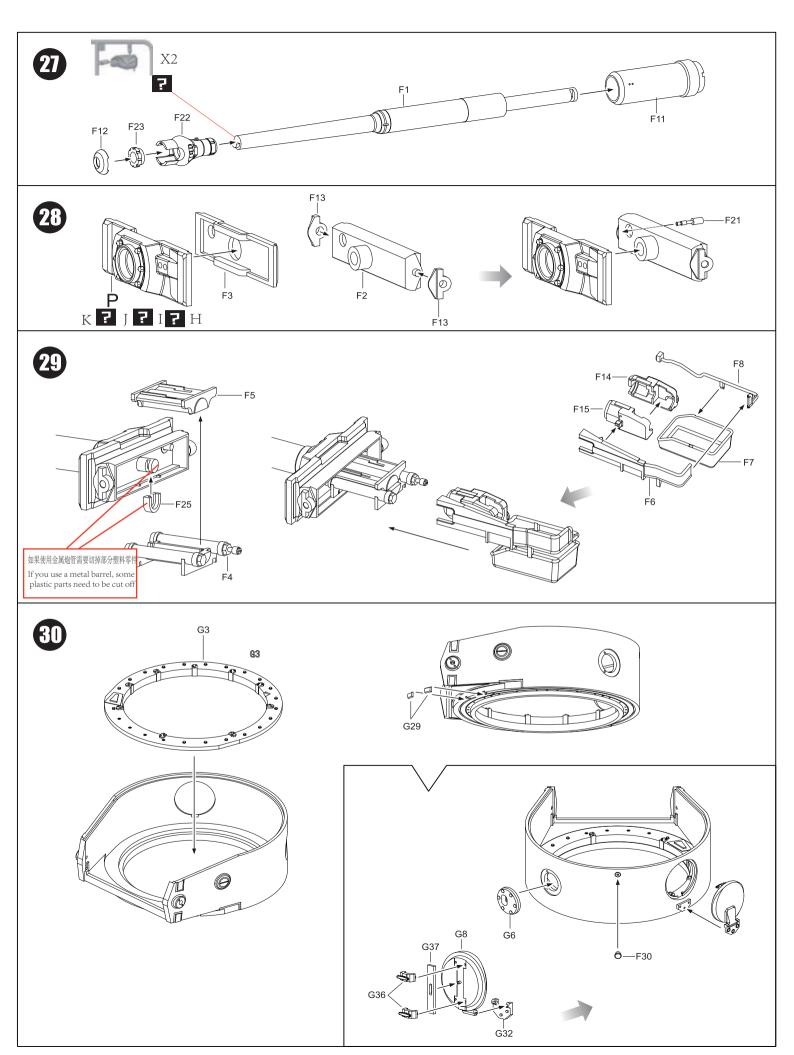




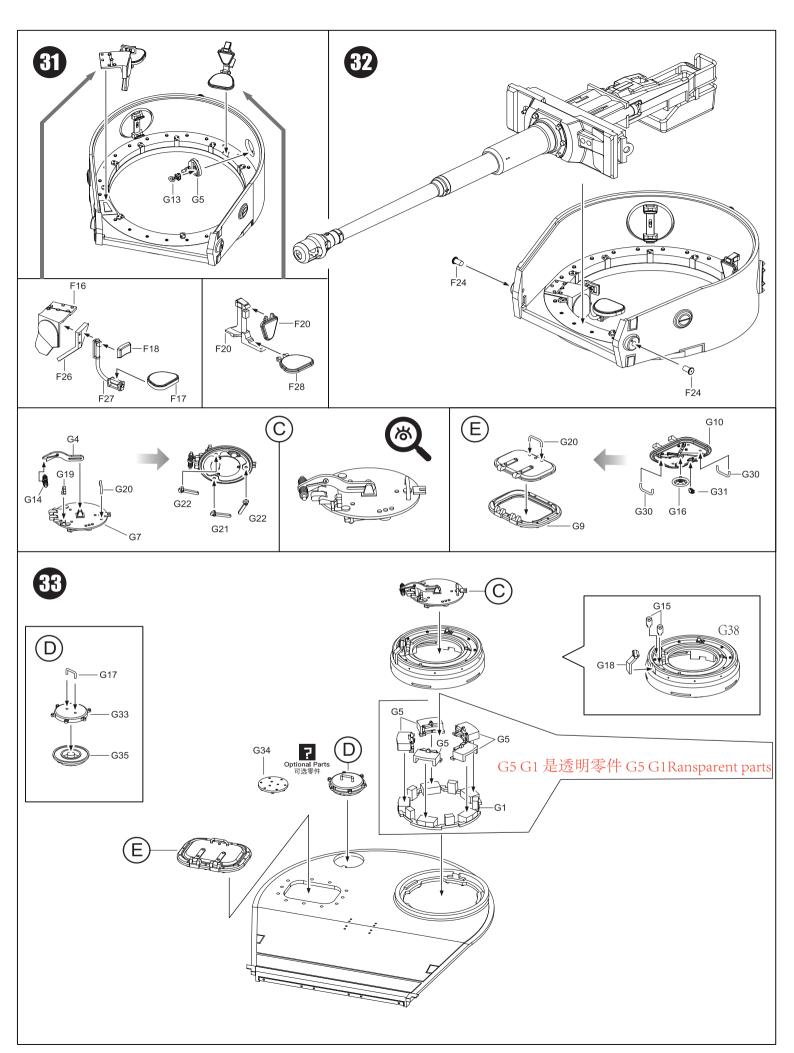


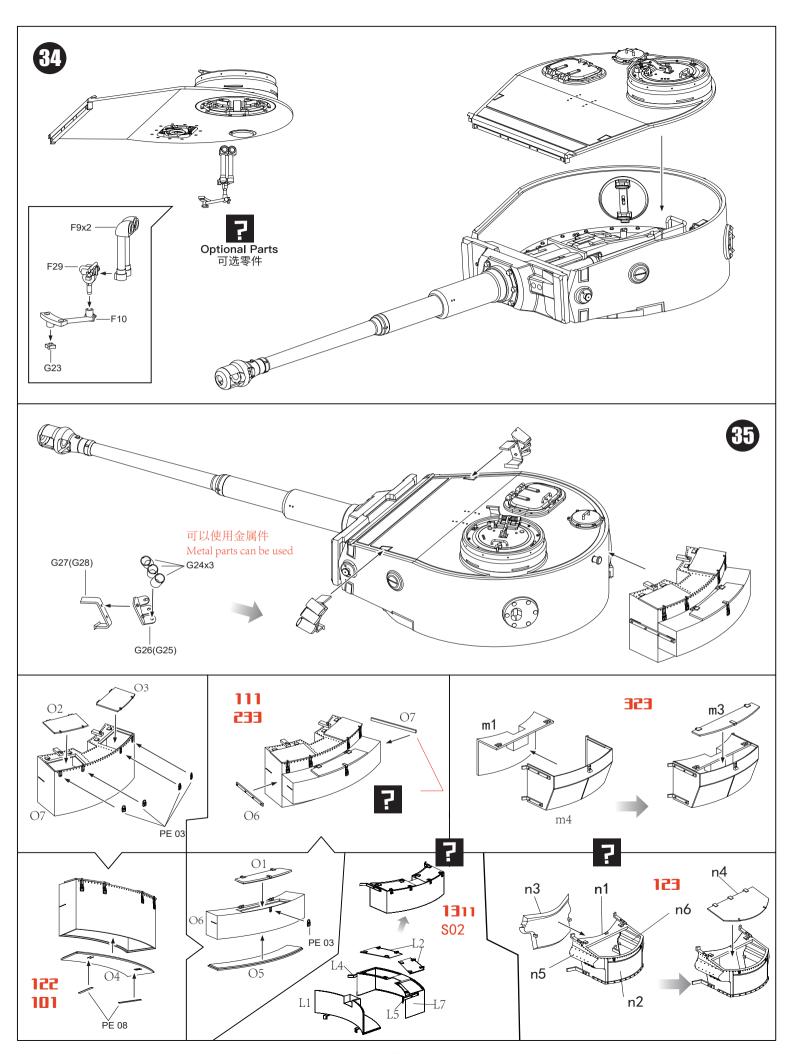




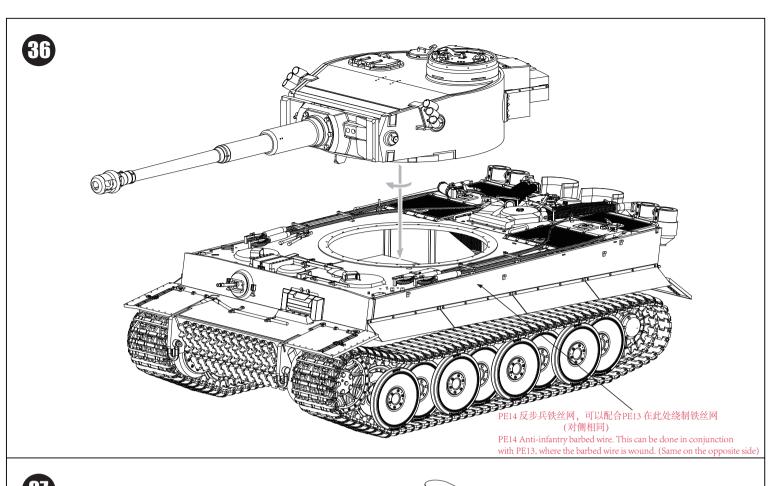


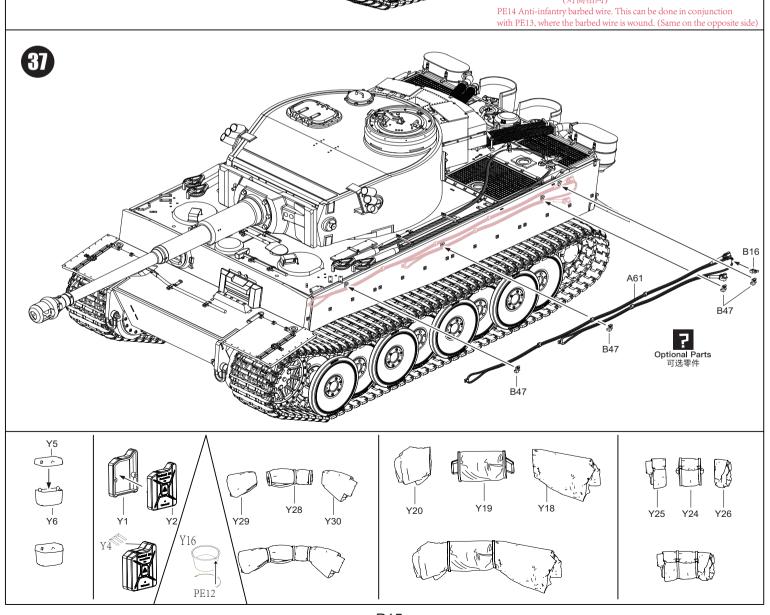
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WEATHERING STEPS WITH AMMO PRODUCTS

A.MIG-1010 Neutral Wash

2 FILTER A.MIG-1501 Grey for White

A.MIG-1255 Streakingbrusher Winter Grime 4 TRACKS WASH

A.MIG-1002 Tracks Wash

6 DUST A.MIG-3029 Winter Soil

5 RUST A.MIG-1204 Streaking Rust Effects

0034

A.MIG-1705 Wet Mud 8 SPLASHES A.MIG-1754 Damp Earth

9 FUEL A.MIG-1409 Fuel Stains 10 OIL A.MIG-1408 Fresh Engine Oil

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WEATHERING STEPS WITH AMMO PRODUCTS

A.MIG-1000 Brown Wash for German Dark Yellow

Filter

A.MIG-1510 Tan for 3 Tone Camo

3 STREAKING

A.MIG-1203 Streaking Grime

4 TRACKS WASH

A.MIG-1002 Tracks Wash

5 RUST

A.MIG-1254 Streakingbrusher Rust

6 DUST

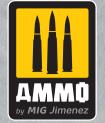
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7 MUD
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8 SPLASHES

A.MIG-1752 Loose Ground

9 FUEL
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10 OIL
A.MIG-1408 Fresh Engine Oil





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A.MIG-0035 Dark Tracks A.MIG-0033 Rubber & Tires

A.MIG-0045 Gun Metal

A.MIG-0038 Ligth Wood

A.MIG-0040 Medium Rust

A.MIG-0010 RAL 7028 Dunkelgelb (Mid War)

A.MIG-0002 RAL 6003 Olivgrün OPT.2



WEATHERING STEPS WITH AMMO PRODUCTS

A.MIG-1000 Brown Wash for German Dark Yellow 2 FILTER A.MIG-1511 Brown for Dark Yellow

A.MIG-1203 Streaking Grime 4 TRACKS WASH

A.MIG-1002 Tracks Wash

6 DUST

A.MIG-1254 Streakingbrusher Rust

A.MIG-3011 Airfield Dust

A.MIG-1702 Turned Earth 8 SPLASHES A.MIG-1751 Dry Steppe

9 FUEL A.MIG-1409 Fuel Stains 10 OIL

A.MIG-1408 Fresh Engine Oil





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WEATHERING STEPS WITH AMMO PRODUCTS

A.MIG-1000 Brown Wash for German Dark Yellow 2 FILTER A.MIG-1510 Tan for 3 Tone Camo

A.MIG-1206 Dark Streaking Grime 4 TRACKS WASH

A.MIG-1002 Tracks Wash

5 RUST A.MIG-1204 Streaking Rust Effects 6 DUST A.MIG-3004 Europe Earth

A.MIG-1704 Heavy Earth 8 SPLASHES A.MIG-1753 Turned Dirt

9 FUEL A.MIG-1409 Fuel Stains 10 OIL A.MIG-1408 Fresh Engine Oil





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1 GENERAL WASH
A.MIG-1008 Dark Wash

2 FILTER
A.MIG-1510 Tan for 3 Tone Camo

3 STREAKING
A.MIG-1253 Streakingbrusher Grime

4 TRACKS WASH
A.MIG-1002 Tracks Wash

5 RUST

A.MIG-3510 Rust

6 DUST

A.MIG-3011 Airfield Dust

7 MUD

A.MIG-1704 Heavy Earth

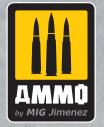
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9 FUEL
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A.MIG-1408 Fresh Engine Oil





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A.MIG-0045 Gun Metal

A.MIG-0037 New Wood

A.MIG-0040 Medium Rust

A.MIG-0010 RAL 7028 Dunkelgelb (Mid War) A.MIG-0001 RAL 6003 Olivgrün OPT.1 A.MIG-0015 RAL 8017 Schokobraun





WEATHERING STEPS WITH AMMO PRODUCTS

1 GENERAL WASH

A.MIG-1000 Brown Wash for
German Dark Yellow

2 FILTER

A.MIG-1510 Tan for 3 Tone Camo

3 STREAKING

A.MIG-1253 Streakingbrusher Grime

4 TRACKS WASH

A.MIG-1002 Tracks Wash

5 RUST

A.MIG-1254 Streakingbrusher Rust
6 DUST

A.MIG-3013 Rubble

A.MIG-1703 Moist Ground

8 SPLASHES

A.MIG-1752 Loose Ground

9 FUEL
A.MIG-1409 Fuel Stains
10 OIL
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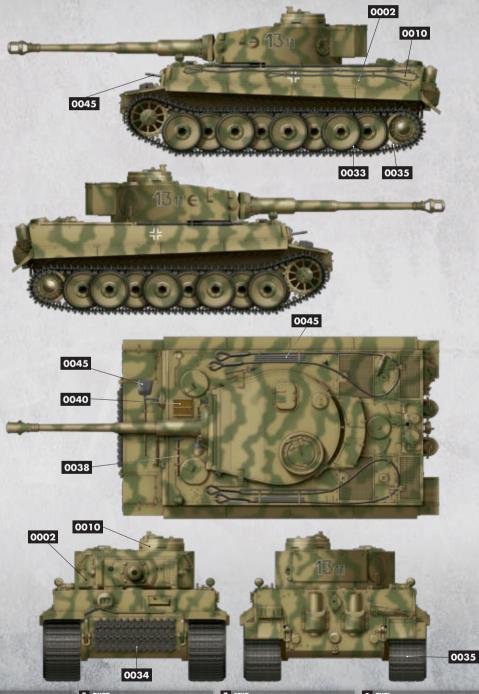
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WEATHERING STEPS WITH AMMO PRODUCTS

A.MIG-1000 Brown Wash for German Dark Yellow 2 FILTER

A.MIG-1511 Brown for Dark Yellow

A.MIG-1253 Streakingbrusher Grime 4 TRACKS WASH A.MIG-1002 Tracks Wash

5 RUST

A.MIG-1204 Streaking Rust Effects 6 DUST A.MIG-3004 Europe Earth

A.MIG-1705 Wet Mud 8 SPLASHES

A.MIG-1754 Damp Earth

9 FUEL A.MIG-1409 Fuel Stains

10 OIL

A.MIG-1408 Fresh Engine Oil





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A.MIG-1005 Dark Brown Wash for Green Vehicles

2 FILTER
A.MIG-1510 Tan for 3 Tone Camo

3 STREAKING
A.MIG-1256 Streakingbrusher
Green-Grey Grime
TRACKS WASH
A.MIG-1002 Tracks Wash

5 RUST
A.MIG-3510 Rust
6 DUST

A.MIG-1703 Moist Ground

8 SPLASHES

A.MIG-1752 Loose Ground

9 FUEL
A.MIG-1409 Fuel Stains
10 OIL
A.MIG-1408 Fresh Engine Oil

A.MIG-3002 Light Dust

