



Arracourt



The Battle of Arracourt was a significant tank battle fought in September 1944 during World War II, as part of the Allied push into Germany after the successful Normandy invasion. It took place near the town of Arracourt in northeastern France, primarily between American forces and the German Wehrmacht, specifically the German 5th Panzer Army.

6 VP's



Card Balance:

Allies - 6

Axis - 4



Complexity:

4

Conditions:

Location:

France

Year:

1944

Theater:

Western Front

Campaign

Codename

Summary:

The Arracourt scenario is dominated by a hilly ridge of five hexes which cut across a flank and into the central section, and another smaller ridge in front of that. When the armor comes over the ridge, it becomes a mighty tank battle.



Allied Strategy:



1. Be careful to not launch a premature attack on the left flank. If you are not ready, you will be entering a kill box. It may be wiser to pull back to the secondary row of ridges, to get prepared for attack.
2. The Axis forces are together in the upper right section behind the Marne-Rhine Canal. If you can move in with your armor and some artillery attacks, you are may be able to score at least one medal before they can respond.
3. You have three artillery. Use them to your advantage. If you can move your center one forward a bit, it will improve your attack and control of the center section.



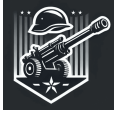
Axis:

1. Your right and center sections are strong; the left units stuck behind the canal is your weak side. As you are able, get them out of harms way, or they will be easy pickings for the Allies.
2. Grand Strategy for Axis: the battle will be fought on your right flank with the armor from both sides on the two ridges and the valley between. You need to get your tightly condensed and no-retreat armor out into the open so you can battle well. If you stay backed up against the border on the right flank, your troops will be destroyed.
3. Early goal: eliminate the enemy Infantry at G7, or they will do unnecessary harm to your forces in the center section.

Battle Reports:

(percentage of Allied victories)

60%



12

BR - Arracourt

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