

Panzerkämpfer V “Walküre”

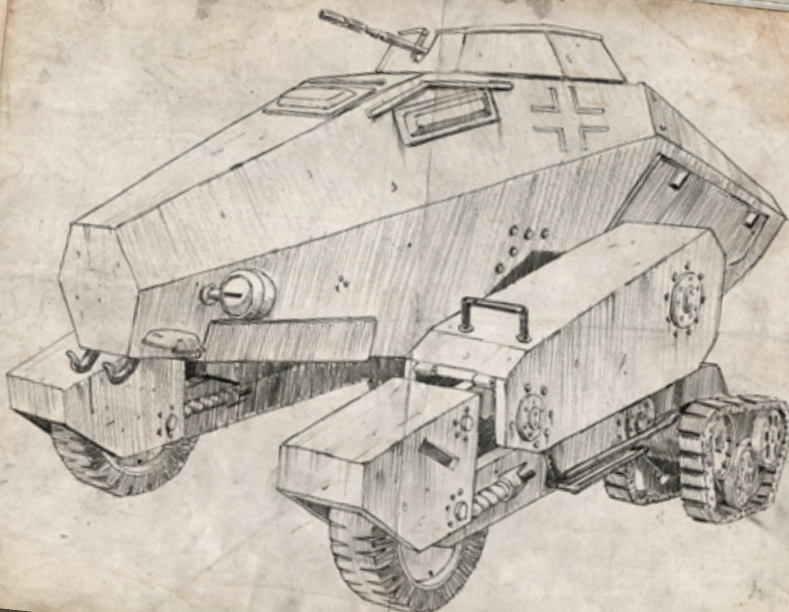
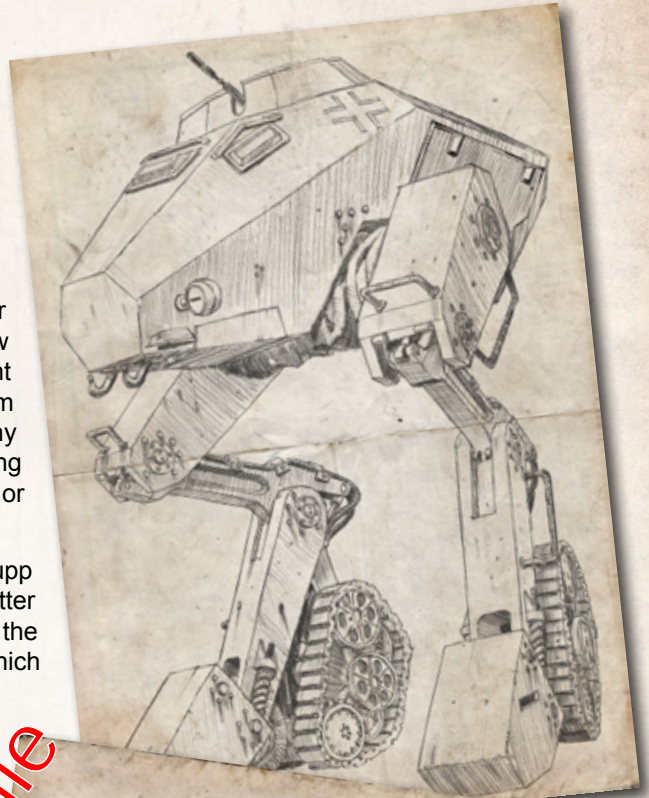
As early as 1935, it was realized that the Loki would not meet the planned goals of the Walker program. A new vehicle was thus put into development, which would eventually become known as the Panzerkämpfer V “Walküre”.

Specifications by Waffenamts were issued to Daimler-Benz AG (Berlin-Marienfelde), Rheinmetall-Borsig (Berlin) and Krupp AG (Essen).

Like the Loki before it, the Walküre was crewed by a driver and a commander that doubled as the gunner. Though the new chassis was faster and sturdier than its predecessor, armament remained light (1.8cm gun for the Ausführung A and B, 3.2cm for the Ausführung C), mostly due to recoil consideration. Many of the subsequent versions were concerned with upgrading the firepower, often with the addition of more lower-caliber or recoilless weapons.

The Walküre was the first to benefit from the new style Krupp suspension, which featured articulated tracks at the rear for better traction and shock absorption. From the Ausführung B onward, the chassis could also mount a pair of Krupp H6 grasper arms, which were primarily used for demolition and field engineering work.

The Panzerkämpfer V gained a reputation for being a highly reliable and effective vehicle, which shaped walker development in all factions. It was the best German walker in the first half of the war, and remained in service until the end of the conflict. It was also exported to other nations, allies or pro-German client states. Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria and Slovakia each received about a half-dozen Ausführung A walkers along with the necessary technical support. A small number of Ausführung A and B vehicles was also exported to Croatia. During Operation Barbarossa, the Soviets captured large numbers of Panzerkämpfer V of all types, some of which were hastily pressed into temporary service or used as bait.



PzKpf V Ausführung A “Walküre” – 95 points

In Service: 1940 **Availability:** C **Asset:** Support

The Panzerkämpfer V Ausführung A was the first to come out of the production line. Like the “Loki” before it, was poorly armed, with a pintle mounted MG and some demolition charges.



Type	Size	Move	Close Combat	Facing	Target	Save	Kill	Traits
PzKpf V A “Walküre”	G/2	G/5”	G/2xD10	Front	7+	5+	9+	Hits/2, Lumbering, Multiple Movement System, Recon, Tracks/12”, Walker/8”
				Sides	7+	5+	8+	
	W/3	W/4”	W/3xD6+1	Rear	7+	5+	8+	

Unit: PzKpf V A (unit leader) with one Pintle MG (FaF) and Anti-Tank Explosives

Random Shutdown: While using the Walker movement system the Unreliable trait is gained.

Weapon	Range	Damage	Traits
Anti-Tank Explosives	Placed	D10	Lethal Zone/2”, One-Shot, Piercing/2
Pintle MG	24”	3xD6	AA, Auto, Double Suppression

Options:

- Up to 4 extra PzKpf V of any Ausführung may be added to the unit for the appropriate points keeping in mind the “In Service” date (Ausführung A +95 points each, B +105 points each, C +130 points each)

