

Battleground Weird War II

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Baron von Strucker: Wolfgang von Strucker was born to a noble Prussian family at the end of the 19th Century. He was raised in the manner of a strict and proper Prussian military background and would soon become a Heidelberg master fencer. He excelled in military science and when hostilities broke out in 1914, he joined the Imperial German Army. Von Strucker met with great success during the war, leading to many promotions and a reputation as an excellent leader and soldier. After the war, von Strucker would again lend his military genius to the Germans, only this time as a Nazi under Adolph Hitler's rule. Wolfgang was tasked by the Fuehrer to head several secret missions across the globe in the name of furthering the cause of Nazism and was made commander of the Death's Head Squadron. As the war heated up, Hitler again looked to von Strucker to personally discredit the famous Allied commando team led by Sgt. Nicholas Fury. He was able to capture Fury but failed to kill him and this would later become a common practice. Due to his failings, Hitler issued orders for the Gestapo to arrest von Strucker. With the help of the Red Skull, von Strucker escaped to Japan. The Red Skull foresaw the collapse of the Third Reich and sent von Strucker to Japan to start recruiting for a new paramilitary organization called HYDRA, which the Red Skull would take over once his work with the Nazis was complete. Wolfgang succeeded in organizing HYDRA with members from Germany and The Hand. HYDRA then began raiding both Allied and Axis armies for supplies, weapons and equipment with devastating results. As the organization grew, it was defeated in a raid against their headquarters by a joint US and Japanese commando force. After his humiliating defeat, von Strucker returned to Germany and found favor with Hitler after developing some battlefield drugs that were found to be extremely useful in the war effort. Realizing that the Allies were going to be victorious, von Strucker continued to secretly recruit for and finance HYDRA. HYDRA was soon equipped with weapons, vehicles and equipment that were purchased by stolen war booty or taken from whenever they could be found. Wolfgang von Strucker continues to play dual roles as both a Nazi officer charged with secret missions for the Third Reich and leader of the underground HYDRA military organization. He intends to bid for world domination in the near future.

Name: Wolfgang von Strucker

Rank: Coronal

Nationality: Germany

Military Affiliations: Waffen SS, Death's Head Squadron, Blitzkrieg Squad & HYDRA

Base of Operations: Occupied Europe

Height: 6' 2"

Weight: 225 lbs

Eyes: Blue

Hair: None

Actions: The Baron has 2 Actions per turn as normal

Senses: von Strucker acts like anyone else when making any sensory-based tests.

Strength & Toughness: von Strucker possesses the normal strength and toughness of a man of his age that is engaged in intensive physical activity.

Movement: The Baron can move up to 5" per Action as normal.

Training: The Baron has been extensively trained in military science and is a proficient scientist in his own right. His organizational skills are as such that he is able to motivate, deploy and inspire men quickly and efficiently to perform just about any task. He is a master at all known Axis and Allied weapons, explosives and vehicles and is capable of operating advanced equipment with a successful Skill Check. Wolfgang is also an expert swordsman and when he is equipped with any sword, he will receive an additional -3 to his Close Combat score.

Leadership: von Strucker is considered an 18-3 Elite Leader ignoring all Man Alone, Enemy Vehicle and Breaking Points rules. He also has a Command Range of 16" to all German units and 20" to any HYDRA units he is commanding. Von Strucker can command German or HYDRA units while on the battlefield but he can never command both at the same time unless the HYDRA units are undercover and not in their HYDRA uniforms. This is due to direct orders from Hitler himself to kill any and all HYDRA units that may be found on or off the battlefield.

Weapons & Equipment: Wolfgang may be armed with any weapon or explosive within the German military arsenal that he chooses. He also has access to advanced weapons and equipment developed by HYDRA and himself from unknown sources. The most common weapon he uses of advanced design is his Satan Claw. This armored gauntlet fits over his right hand and gives him incredible strength when used. It is able to rip into armor with ease and can also displace a destructive energy when it hits its target. The Satan Claw has an armor value of 30 with a -5 to the penetration result while in close combat. This weapon can also bend and tear so if the armor is panned, he may choose to do what he wants with the location, be it ripping off something from the target location or just punching through it.

HYDRA: Because of von Strucker's rank within the HYDRA organization, he is able to command large HYDRA forces on the battlefield. These forces comprised of HYDRA mercenaries may be equipped with any Allies or Axis weapons, equipment or vehicles that are prominent of the time. All HYDRA mercenaries are of Veteran Troop Quality or better, as only the best can join this group. HYDRA will never ally themselves with anyone unless directly commanded to do so by von Strucker himself. See the HYDRA rules for more information.

Hatred: Like all Nazis, von Strucker is full of hate and he hates no one more than Sgt. Nicholas Fury. If Fury is present on the battlefield and is sighted by von Strucker, then Wolfgang will direct all his forces to engage and destroy him. If Fury falls from von Strucker or his forces, then all those who were directly involved with his death will automatically receive an addition point to their Morale, as they know they will be rewarded by their commander for their deed.