



Finally, several vehicles of the battalion are seen parked along the main “street” of an impoverished Soviet village. To the viewer’s right, an early tank destroyer, a *Panzerjäger I*, moves down the road. JASON MARK / LEAPING HORSEMAN BOOKS



After 1943, the face of the German Army in the field became even less homogenous. These scouts of *Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 24* wear a mixture of regulation and non-regulation uniform articles. Two of the scouts have custom-tailored camouflage trousers. The scout in the middle wears an SS *Panzer* tunic with army insignia applied to it. Two men wear M43 field caps, while two other wear outmoded overseas caps that started to be phased out in 1942. The men stand in front of the *König, their Sd.Kfz. 231 (8 Rad)*. JIM HALEY



This reconnaissance officer from *Panzer-Aufklärungs-Abteilung 16* of the *16. Panzer-Division* also wears a number of non-regulation items. His overseas cap has been upgraded from an enlisted version by the addition of crown piping in either white or silver-colored cord. He has the divisional cap badge on the side of his cap, which was authorized for wear by members of the division by an entry in each individual's *Soldbuch*. To top this off, he also wears a custom-made tunic in *Panzer* style that is constructed out of SS camouflage.

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The same officer talks to men from his unit, one of whom wears the first-pattern army-style reed green denim special-purpose uniform for armored car personnel. STEVE ANDROSKO