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The dashing and daring Col. Kurt Steiner is the epitome of the German Commando in World War II. His feats of heroism despite incredible odds are the topic of conversation among common infantrymen on the frozen steppes of Russia all the way to the dance and cognac parties of the OKW in Berlin! Kurt Steiner's first action was in Narvik, Norway to secure its airfields at the outbreak of that country's invasion. His success there landed him his first command for the famous assault on Belgium's Eben Emael fortress. Steiner's drop at Crete got him his first Wound Badge and Knights Cross at Maleme. After recovering from his wound and meeting Hitler for his first Knights Cross, he led a volunteer force of 300 Fallschirmjagers into the outskirts of Leningrad where he received a special decoration for unknown, but successful operations. After resting during the winter of 1942, Steiner and his men jumped into the airbase at Pitomnik outside Stalingrad to secure the evacuation of high-ranking officers and wounded during the doomed Sixth Army's final days. Steiner was again awarded by Hitler a second Knight's Cross with Oak/Swords for this operation. His most famous raid was when he again volunteered for a near suicidal operation outside Kiev in '43. His loyal unit, numbering only 167 men, jumped into battle to get two cut-off regiments out of a Russian encirclement. After that operation, Steiner was immediately recalled to Berlin for a top secret assignment.

Steiner's legend among the soldiers of the Wehrmacht reaches even the top leaders of the Third Reich. It is well known that Himmler has a contemptible admiration for Steiner. Himmler has said that Steiner is "daring arrogance, intelligence, a brilliant soldier, ruthless in combat, but a romantic fool." It is no wonder then that Steiner and 15 of his hand-picked men from the 12th Parachute Detachment have now been ordered to parachute into a small village in England in April 1943. Their mission is simple: assassinate Winston Churchill, the Prime Minister of Great Britain!



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HERO SPECIAL RULES

Morale: 18-3

Weapons of Choice: Sten Mk.II SMG and P-08 Luger Pistol

Special Rules

Educated in England Steiner speaks perfect English and is well versed in English mannerisms both necessary to conduct operations against the British and Americans.

Commando Leadership Steiner may only command Fallschirmjager troops. All other German troops are not effected by Steiner's Special Rules. Any Fallschirmjagers under Steiner's command required to take a Morale Check within LOS and 18" of Steiner will roll using Steiner's Morale ignoring his Leadership Modifier. This does not apply to Rally.

Commando Initiative Steiner alone can take his actions each turn off any Fallschirmjagers card he wishes no matter where on the game table he is located or unit he is attached to.

Commando Tactics Steiner can orchestrate the commando moves and tactics of his men. The first Fallschirmjagers card pulled can be any Fallschirmjager unit of controlling player's choice.

Coolness Under Fire Steiner has been in some of the hardest fought battles of WW2 and never failed. As such, Steiner is never forced Prone. If failing a Morale Check, Steiner will simply seek better cover of player's choice within two actions of movement and ignore being Broken. Steiner will never be Broken.

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