

AMX-50-100

The amx-50 was an attempt to develop a powerful medium tank for the French Army. However, developments in anti-tank technology made it obsolete and only five prototypes were manufactured before the project was terminated.

The AMX-50 was developed immediately after World War II to give the French army a powerful new medium tank. Many of its design features were adopted from French experience with German Tiger and Panther tanks. The first AMX-50 was armed with a 90mm cannon which was soon upgraded to 100mm. Subsequent versions were armed with a 120mm cannon to counter Russian heavy tanks but the development of new anti-tank ammunition, which could penetrate very thick armour, made the AMX-50 concept obsolete and it was abandoned in favour of the lighter and more mobile AMX-30 as France's MBT.

This model represents the third AMX-50 prototype in 1950.

Data: *Engine* one Maybach HL295 12VC engine of 850hp. *Hull width* 3.4m. *Hull length* 7.35m. *Height* 3.41m. *Combat weight* 57.8 tonnes. *Maximum speed* 51km/h. *Operational range* 250km. *Armament* 100mm main cannon with autoloader and one 7.63 machine gun. *Crew* 4.

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