

13. Panzer-Division (13th Panzer Division)

This division was formed from the 13. Infanterie-Division (mot.) on October 9, 1940, near Vienna, Wehrkreis XVII, and transferred to Rumania, where it was organized as Lehrstab R.I der deutschen Lehrtruppen in Rumänien, October 25, 1940, for the training of Rumanian Army units. In May 1941 it was transferred from Rumania to Germany and was again redesignated the 13. Panzer-Division. The division was transferred in June 1941 to the Polish-Russian border, where it took part in the campaign against Russia in the southern sector and in the encirclement of Kiev. In 1942 it suffered heavy losses in the Terek and Taganrog areas, transferred in the winter of 1942 to the Kuban and North Caucasus areas, and retreated in

the spring of 1943 to the Taman Peninsula, crossing to Kerch in the Crimea in July 1943. Although there are no records of the division available dated later than July 30, 1943, the situation maps of Lage Ost and the records of OKH/Allgemeines Heeresamt, Abwicklungsstab (H 41/3, 5, 24, and 57) show that the division withdrew from September 1943 to September 1944 through the southern Ukraine and Rumania to the Carpathian Mountains. The division was refitted in October southeast of Budapest and in November and December defended Budapest, where it was finally encircled in the latter part of December 1944.

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Ia, Kriegstagebuch 4. Training of the 13. Inf.Div. (mot.) at Muskau and its transfer to Wehrkreis XVII in Sep 1940 and redesignation as the 13. Panzer-Division on Oct 9, 1940; transfer to Rumania and reorganization in Oct 1940 as Lehrstab R.I der deutschen Lehrtruppen in Rumänien for the training of Rumanian Army units; and transfer from Rumania to Germany and redesignation as the 13. Panzer-Division, May 15, 1941. The division was subordinate to the XVI. and LX. A.K., Chef H.Rüst. u. BdE., Heeresmission Bukarest, and Panzergruppe 1, successively. Generalmajor von Rothkirch und Panthen was division commander.	Jul 10, 1940 - May 19, 1941	10286/1	638	1
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4. Order of battle charts, training instructions, and evaluation reports.	Sep 24, 1940 - May 10, 1941	10286/2	638	193
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, Aufenthalt im Heimatkriegsgebiet. Division orders, training instructions, and special supply regulations.	Jul 10 - Aug 29, 1940	10286/3	638	343
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, Taktische Befehle und Ausbildungsbefehle.	Aug 29, 1940 - Jan 31, 1941	10286/4	638	506
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, Taktische Befehle und Ausbildungsbefehle, Rumänien.	Feb 1 - May 13, 1941	10286/5	638	905
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, "Legionärputsch". Reports pertaining to Rumanian demonstrations and uprisings in various towns and cities.	Jan 21 - Feb 6, 1941	10286/7	639	1
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, Versorgungs- und Tagesbefehle.	Aug 29 - Dec 28, 1940	10286/9	639	72

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Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, Besondere Anordnungen für die Versorgung und Divisions-tagesbefehle.	Dec 30, 1940 - May 14, 1941	10286/10	639	364
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, Verlegung nach Rumänien.	Oct 18 - Nov 10, 1940	10286/11	639	560
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, Ausbildungspläne der Lehrgänge, Rumänien.	Nov 8, 1940 - May 12, 1941	10286/12	639	600
Ia, Anlagen z. KTB 4, Paraden, Übungen, Berichte und Besprechungen.	Oct 7, 1940 - Apr 20, 1941	10286/13	639	723
Ic, Tätigkeitsberichte mit Anlagen.	Jul 10, 1940 - May 19, 1941	10286/14	639	892
Ia, Tätigkeitsberichte, Stabsquartier.	Jul 10, 1940 - May 19, 1941	10286/16	639	1075
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 5. Transfer of the division from Rumania to Germany during May 1941 for reorganization and training, movement to the Polish-Russian border for the invasion of Russia, advance in the southern sector of the eastern front from Tomazov to Zhitomir, encirclement of Kiev, and the advance to Rostov on the Don River. The division was subordinate to Panzer-gruppe 1, III. A.K., and the XIV. A.K. at various times during this period and under the command of Generalmajor Divert from Jun 19, 1941.	May 20 - Dec 15, 1941	16151/1	2325	1
Ia, Anlage I, Heft 1 z. KTB 5, Korps-, Divisions- und Tagesbefehle, Besondere Anordnungen für die Versorgung und Einzelanordnungen.	May 13 - Jun 23, 1941	16151/2	640	1
Ia, Anlage I, Heft 2 z. KTB 5, Korps-, Divisions- und Tagesbefehle, Besondere Anordnungen für die Versorgung und Einzelanordnungen.	Jun 22 - Aug 25, 1941	16151/3	640	302
Ia, Anlage I, Heft 3 z. KTB 5, Korps-, Divisions- und Tagesbefehle, Besondere Anordnungen für die Versorgung und Einzelanordnungen.	Aug 26 - Oct 9, 1941	16151/4	640	696
Ia, Anlage I, Heft 4 z. KTB 5, Korps-, Divisions- und Tagesbefehle, Besondere Anordnungen für die Versorgung und Einzelanordnungen.	Oct 10 - Dec 17, 1941	16151/5	640	1016
Ia, Anlage III, Heft 1 z. KTB 5, Gefechtsberichte.	Jun 24 - Aug 9, 1941	16151/34	641	1

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Ia, Anlage III, Heft 2 z. KTB 5, Gefechtsberichte.	Aug 10 - Dec 15, 1941	16151/35	641	327
Ia, Anlage V, Heft 2 z. KTB 5; Ic, Tätigkeitsberichte mit Anlagen.	May 20 - Dec 15, 1941	16151/37	641	672
IIa, Tätigkeitsberichte als Anlage V, Heft 1 z. KTB 5 Ia.	May 20 - Dec 13, 1941	16151/38	641	1023
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 6, Textband. War journal concerning operations and activities in the Stalino and Rostov areas. Also, lists of officers' duty assignments and casualties, combat strength reports, and order of battle charts. The division was subordinate to the III. and XIV. Pz.K. and Gruppe von Wietersheim. On Feb 25, 1942, Oberst Traugott Herr became division commander.	Dec 16, 1941 - Jun 15, 1942	21348/1	641	1143
Ia, Anlagenband I, Heft 1 z. KTB 6, Geheime Befehle und Meldungen.	Dec 17, 1941 - Jun 11, 1942	21348/2	642	1
Ia, Anlagenband I, Heft 2 z. KTB 6, Offene Befehle und Meldungen.	Dec 17, 1941 - Jun 11, 1942	21348/3	642	331
Ia, Anlagenband III z. KTB 6, Gefechtsberichte.	Jan 8 - Mar 17, 1942	21348/14	642	590
Ic, Tätigkeitsberichte.	Dec 16, 1941 - Jun 15, 1942	21348/15	642	730
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 7, Heft 1, Textband. War journal concerning operations and activities in the Taganrog and Terek areas. The division was subordinate to Gruppe von Wietersheim, Gruppe Wetzlar, Gruppe Kirchner, the XLIX. Geb.K., LVII., III., and XL. Pz.K., LII. A.K., and the III. Pz.K., successively.	Jun 16 - Oct 8, 1942	30301/1	642	1109
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 7, Heft 2, Textband. War journal concerning operations and activities in the Terek and Rostov areas. The division was subordinate to the III. Pz.K. under the temporary command of Oberst Crisolli and Oberst Kuhnert between Oct 1 and Nov 7, 1942. Gen.Maj. Helmuth von der Chevallerie became division commander on Nov 8, 1942.	Oct 9 - Dec 31, 1942	30301/2	643	1
Ia, Anlagenband Ig, Heft 1 z. KTB 7, Geheim Befehle Nr. 1-95.	May 15 - Dec 31, 1942	30301/3	643	339
Ia, Anlagenband I, Heft 1 z. KTB 7, Offene Befehle 1-180.	Jun 17 - Dec 30, 1942	30301/4	643	555

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Ia, Anlagenband III, Heft 1 z. KTB 7, Gefechtsberichte.	Jun 22 - Aug 14, 1942	30301/31	643	886
Ia, Anlagenband III, Heft 2 z. KTB 7, Gefechtsberichte.	Aug 22 - Dec 16, 1942	30301/32	643	1131
Ic, Tätigkeitsberichte z. KTB 7.	Jun 16 - Dec 31, 1942	30301/35	644	1
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 8, Textband. War journal concerning operations and activities during the retreat from the North Caucasus area to the Taman Peninsula, crossing to Kerch in the Crimea. Also, lists of officers' duty assignments and casualties, combat strength reports, and order of battle charts. The division was subordinate to the III. Pz.K., Pz.AOK 1, LII. Pz.K., XLIX. A.K., 101 Jäger-Div., and H.Gr. A at various times during this period.	Jan 1 - Jul 30, 1943	44016/1	644	171
Ia, Tätigkeitsbericht. Activity report of Arbeitsstab Kühn (Vorkommando 13. Pz.Div.) subordinate to the Befehlshaber Krim.	Feb 8 - May 11, 1943	44016/2	644	638
Ia, Anlagenband Ig, Heft 1 z. KTB 8, Geheime Befehle und Verfügungen.	Jan 1 - Mar 27, 1943	44016/10	644	781
Ia, Anlagenband Ig, Heft 2 z. KTB 8, Geheime Befehle und Verfügungen. Report from the Vorkommando 13. Pz.Div. requesting inactivation of Pz.Gr.Rgt. 93 and assignment of personnel to various other units, Apr 29, 1943. Also, a report concerning the inactivation of Vorkommando 13. Pz.Div. after the arrival of the division staff.	Mar 29 - Jun 29, 1943	44016/11	644	981
Ia, Anlagenband I z. KTB 8, Offene Befehle und Verfügungen.	Jan 1 - Jul 30, 1943	44016/12	644	1279
Ia, Anlagenband III z. KTB 8, Gefechtsberichte.	Jan 1 - Jul 30, 1943	44016/15	644	1420
Ic, IIa, Tätigkeitsberichte.	Jan 1 - Jun 30, 1943	44016/16	645	1