

THE AUSTRALIAN ARMY'S PRINCIPLE ARMOURED FIGHTING VEHICLES 1929 - 1997

68 Years of Australian Armour



Name: **SCOUT CAR - FERRET MK 2**

Technology: Early 1950s. British. 12 mm armour.

Role: Mk 1 - Liaison.

Mk 2 - Reconnaissance: in conjunction with Saladin armoured cars and Saracen APCs in the recon tp

Australian Service: 1953 (replaced Canadian 'Lynx' Scout Car) to 1970

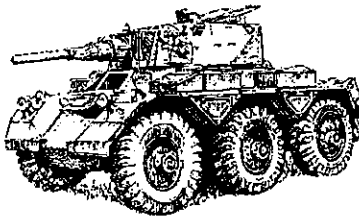
Crew: 2

Armament: 1 x Browning .30 in MG

Engine: 129 hp - Rolls Royce B60 Mk 6A 6 cyl petrol

Speed: 90 km/hr

Weight: 4.4 tonnes



Name: **ARMOURED CAR MK 2 - SALADIN**

Technology: British FV601. 1950s. Up to 32 mm armour

Role: Reconnaissance

Australian Service: 1960 (replaced Staghound Armoured Car in some units) to 1970 (Turrets were removed and fitted to M113A1 hulls to create the first M113 Fire Support Vehicles)

Crew: 3

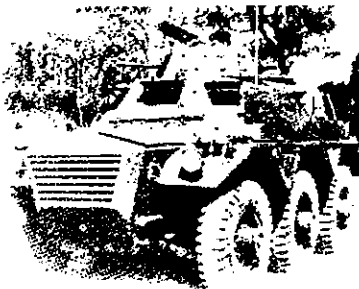
Armament: 1 x 76 mm L5A1 QF gun

2 x Browning .30 in MG

Engine: 160 hp - Rolls Royce B80 Mk 64 8 Cyl petrol

Speed: 70 km/hr

Weight: 10.5 tonnes



Name: **APC - SARACEN**

Technology: Early 1950s. British FV603 - primary British APC from 1952 to 1965. Up to 16 mm armour.

Role: APC

Australian Service: 1955 (replaced White Scout Car / APC) to 1971 (replaced by M113A1)

Crew: 2, plus 10 troops

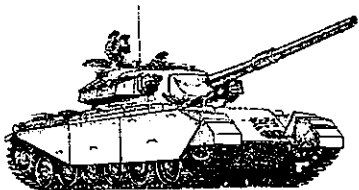
Armament: 1 x .30 in MG, and 1 x .303 in Bren Gun on rear hip ring

Engine: 160 hp - Rolls Royce B80 Mk 64 8 Cyl petrol

Speed: 70 km/hr

Weight: 10 tonnes

Variants: Armoured Command Vehicle - Armoured Fitters Vehicle



Name: **MEDIUM TANK - CENTURION MK V/1 (Aust)**

Technology: 1945 British. Main gun is stabilised.

Up to 152 mm armour.

Role: **Main Battle Tank** (MBT replaced Cruiser and Infantry tank categories)

(Australian Centurions operated in South Vietnam 1968 - 1971)

Australian Service: 1952-56 (replaced Churchill)

to 1977 (replaced by Leopard)

Crew: 4

Armament: 1 x 84 mm (20 pdr) QF gun

1 x .50 in ranging MG

2 x Browning .30 in MG

Engine: 650 hp - Rolls Royce Meteor Mk 4B V12 petrol

Speed: 35 km/hr

Weight: 54 tonnes

Variants: Dozer - Bridgelayer - Recovery Vehicle Mk 1/ Mk 2 - Driver Training Tank

