

## Painting guide for Soviet infantry (advanced wargaming standard)

This painting guide should help new players to get into Battlefront's wargame "Flames of War". This time it's all about getting Soviet infantry ready to play. I would call the result "advanced standard". There is also a **basic** guide for Soviet infantry (**regular** wargaming standard).

(Any questions? Ideas? Write to me, Ben Seeling, [me\\_109e@mac.com](mailto:me_109e@mac.com)). P.S.: My mother tongue isn't English ... So, if you find any mistakes, forgive me.

### 1. Pants

I primed the models black.

To paint the pants I used three different colors:

*Base color:* Desert Uniform Shadows (AK3113)

*First highlight:* Desert Uniform Base (AK3111)

*Second highlight:* Desert Uniform Lights (AK3112)

These colors don't cover that good, so you should apply them at least twice.



### 2. Jacket

Often Soviet troops had their pants and jackets in the same color... That's too boring for me, so I decided the add some more green.

I took three colors for the jacket:

*Base color:* Russian Uniform Shadows (AK3123)

*First highlight:* Russian Uniform Base (AK3122)

*Second highlight:* Russian Uniform Lights (AK3121)

Again, these colors don't cover that good, so you should apply them at least twice.





### 3. Helmet

To paint the helmet I took quite a striking green: Luftwaffe Camo. Green (Vallejo).

### 4. Equipment I

The woolen thing around the torso (Do you know a proper word for that thingy?) was based with Field Blue (Vallejo) and highlighted it with Medium Grey (Vallejo).



### 5. Equipment II

I painted the bag like the pants and the jackets in three steps. This time I took colors of a DAK paint set... Yes! German Afrika Korps!

*Base color:* Green Uniform Shadows (AK3116)  
*First highlight:* Green Uniform Base (AK3114)  
*Second highlight:* Green Uniform Lights (AK3115)

Well... again ... not well covering ... paint twice... blah-blah...

### 6. Weapon

Finally time to get the SMG painted! For the rifle butt I used Flat Earth (Vallejo). Barrel and drum magazine were painted German Grey (Vallejo). Afterwards I tried to highlight the metal parts with a lighter grey (Field Blue, Vallejo).



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### 7. Face, hands

Again, a set of AK interactive!

*Base color:* Base Flesh (AK3011)

*First highlight:* Light Flesh (AK3012)

*Second highlight:* Highlight Flesh (AK3013)

... not covering ... twice... **\*\*yawn\*\***

### 8. Last check

Well, our little tovaresh seems to be ready to face the fascists intruders!

In my opinion that represents an advanced wargaming standard. Not pro. No. Advanced.



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**9. Basing the team**  
In the meantime I've prepared (I always wanted to say that!) three more soldiers for our team. I glued them to a base which you should find in the blister. Afterwards I applied an earth-mud-paste (AK interactive) to the base. A tiny spatula might be handy. Well, before that muddy paste dried out I carefully pressed different grass tufts (MiniNature) into that stodge.

I also painted the edges of the base with Flat Earth (Vallejo).

Finished!

No, wait! Don't forget to seal your team! I recommend a matte varnish (Ultra Matte Varnish, AK interactive).



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Do you recognize that little path on the base? ;-)

However: *Lets go, tovaresh! Not a single step back! Steadfast until toy-soldier-death!*



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## Used colors

The colors I've used are just the colors I have got at home. There are many good brands out there.

For ...	Brand	Product code	Color	Comment
Primer	Vallejo	63.020	Black	
Pants base color	AK Interactive	AK 3113	Desert Uniform Shadows	Paint Set „Figures Series – DAK Soldier Uniform Colors“
Pants first highlight	AK Interactive	AK 3111	Desert Uniform Base	
Pants second highlight	AK Interactive	AK 3112	Desert Uniform Lights	
Jacket base color	AK Interactive	AK 3123	Russian Uniform Shadows	Paint Set „Figures Series – Soviet WWII Uniform Uniform Colors“
Jacket first highlight	AK Interactive	AK 3122	Russian Uniform Base	
Jacket second highlight	AK Interactive	AK 3121	Russian Uniform Lights	
Helmet	Vallejo	70.823	Luftwaffe Cam. Green	
Equipment I base color	Vallejo	70.964	Field Blue	
Equipment I Highlight	Vallejo	70.987	Medium Grey	
Equipment II base color	AK Interactive	AK 3116	Green Uniform Shadows	Paint Set „Figures Series – DAK Soldier Uniform Colors“
Equipment II first highlight	AK Interactive	AK 3114	Green Uniform Base	
Equipment II second highlight	AK Interactive	AK3115	Green Uniform Lights	
Gun butt	Vallejo	70.983	Flat Earth	
Barrel/Magazine base color	Vallejo	70.995	German Grey	
Barrel/Magazine Highlight	Vallejo	70.964	Field Blue	
Face base color	AK Interactive	AK 3011	Base Flesh	Paint Set „Figures Series Flesh and Skin Colors“
Face first highlight	AK Interactive	AK 3012	Light Flesh	
Face second highlight	AK Interactive	AK 3013	Highlight Flesh	
Earth paste	AK Interactive	AK 8027	Muddy Ground	Diorama Series (AK interactive)
Grass tufts	MiniNature	diverse Büschel	alle möglichen Grüntöne	Get different shades of green and lengths! They rock the bases!
Edge Base	Vallejo	70.983	Flat Earth	
Varnish	AK Interactive	AK 183	Ultra Matte Varnisch	