

Prussian Uniforms c. 1779: Hussars from Various Regiments

Abstract

The development and assertion of absolutist rule in the German principalities entailed the formation of differentiated, state-controlled military forces. The drawing below shows three different regiments of Prussian hussars (from Hungarian *huszár*, or cavalryman). Highly mobile and suited for flexible, tactical deployment, Frederick II's hussars played an important role in his military successes against numerically superior enemy forces.

Source



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