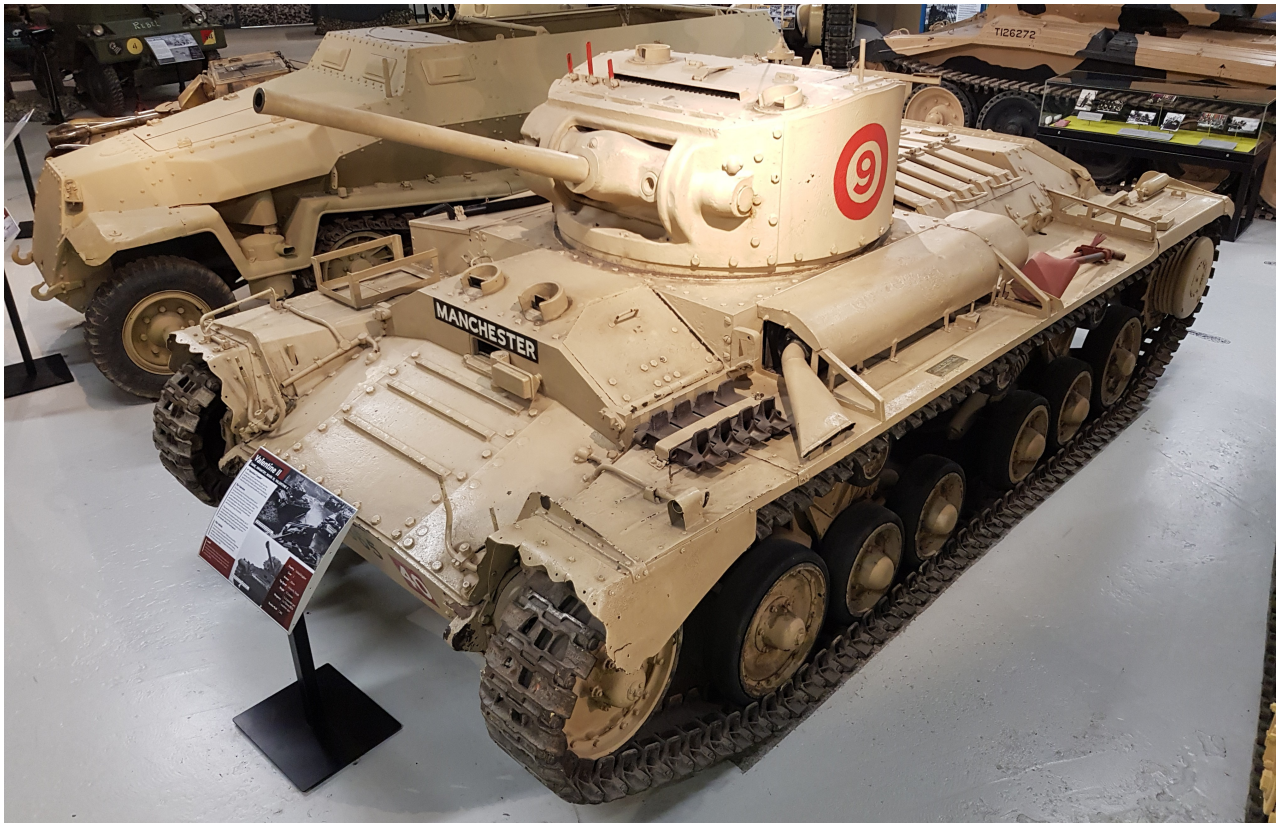


Surviving Valentine infantry Tanks

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Listed here are the Valentine infantry Tanks and variants that still exist today.



Pierre-Olivier Buan, May 2023

Valentine "Manchester" – Bovington Tank Museum (UK)

This tank has serial number T16065 and was built by Vickers in October 1940 as part of the first batch of Valentines ordered. It remained in the UK and was used for training. The vehicle came to the Tank Museum from the School of Tank Technology in 1949



Pierre-Olivier Buan, June 2017 - <https://www.flickr.com/photos/13963542@N08/albums/72157683304840411>

Valentine "Buccaneer" – Bovington Tank Museum (UK) – running condition

This tank was previously named "Victoria"



Massimo Foti, September 2016 - <https://www.flickr.com/photos/massimofoti/32122833881/>

Valentine – Imperial War Museum, Duxford (UK)



"The_Challenger", November 2012 - <http://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.453885897980390.93729.433891793313134&type=3>

Valentine – Kevin Wheatcroft Collection (UK)



Pierre-Olivier Buan, April 2019

Valentine – Heintz Barracks, Bastogne (Belgium)

The Valentine IX came from the Military Museum in Delft, Holland. Valentine tanks were not used in the Belgium Army. This tank does not have an engine (William Testaert)



Pierre-Olivier Buan, March 2018 - <https://www.flickr.com/photos/13963542@N08/albums/72157667216096148>

Valentine V – Ralph Weiler Collection (Luxemburg)

Former kids playground feature in New Zealand. WD number T66784. This was restored by Andrew Rowe in New Zealand, and his team. Over 6000 man hours went into the restoration as a private commission for Ralph Weiler. It is one of the most complete internal and external Valentines restored to date that Andrew Rowe is aware of. It has a complete fully working 19 set radio, Original Electrically powered turret drive, and many extras



Pierre-Olivier Buan, March 2019

Valentine – Musée des Blindés, Saumur (France) – running condition

The Saumur Valentine was built as T60133 by Birmingham Railway as a Mk III hulled bridgelayer but by 1948 it had been converted into a bulldozer and was given the post war number of 53ZR73. It was later scrapped and resided in Pounds scrapyard in Portsmouth for years. It was then sold to someone in Kent where it was seen in 1984. Later it was on show with a Covenanter turret in Cornwall before being restored at great expense with a Mk 1 turret from Sennybridge and an engine/gearbox recovered from Cyprus. It was then sold to Saumur, which acquired it in 1996 ([HMV Forum](#), Saumur museum association magazine n° 34)



Pierre-Olivier Buan, December 2018

Valentine – MM Park, La Wantzenau (France)

This tank has been seen at the War and Peace show 2010. It was previously displayed at the Hamilton Territorial Army base (New Zealand), and was also displayed for a moment at the Machinery and Marine company, Horotiu (New Zealand). Then it went through Hughes Movie Supplies restoration facility, Chidham, before being sold to the ASPHM association (Ian Hughes)



Jim Goetz, July 2014

First Valentine – Campo Militar de Santa Margarida (CMSM)
Santa Margarida da Coutada (Portugal)



Jim Goetz, July 2014

Second Valentine – Campo Militar de Santa Margarida (CMSM)
Santa Margarida da Coutada (Portugal)



<http://www.bigcat.pt/GALERIA%20VEICULOS%20MILITARES%20III.htm>

Valentine – Regimento de Manutenco, Entroncamento (Portugal)



<https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=474155654853104&set=pcb.474156764852993>

Valentine – Museu Militar de Elvas (Portugal)

Probably comes from the Portuguese Army Cavalry School Museum, Santarém (Portugal)



<http://lodzkie.naszemiasto.pl/>



<http://lodzkie.naszemiasto.pl/>

Valentine Mk IX – Jacek Kopczyński Collection, Łódź (Poland)

Serial number 4521, WD number T1228xx, it was built in February 1943 (manufacturer's plate). This tank was discovered and recovered from Warta river in Poland, in October 2012. At the beginning of 1945, when Soviet troops were moving to the west, the ice broke under that tank and it came down in the river. It will probably go to Jacek Kopczyński Collection (Rafał Bialecki)



<https://www.facebook.com/mick.wilson.524/posts/10153999683092866>



<https://www.facebook.com/mick.wilson.524/posts/10153999683092866>

Valentine – Private collection (eastern Europe)

This vehicle, previously displayed in a local park at Ohakune (New Zealand), was purchased by Mr. Graeme Blackley of Palmerston North and has since been traded to the UK for an Abbot mobile gun (Ritchie Winter). It was then part of Hughes Movie Supplies collection



<http://www.hobimaket.com/topic/9135-135-tsk-tanklari-ismet-g%C3%BCralp/>

Valentine – Etimesgut Tank Müzesi, Ankara (Turkey)



<https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=10215419732150288&set=pb.1346855703.-2207520000.1525530932.&type=3&theater>

Valentine – Jordan Tank Museum (Jordan)

Thought to be WD N° T-60072, formerly owned by Jacques Littlefield



Pierre-Olivier Buan, March 2020

Valentine Mk 1 – Nat. Museum of Military History, Johannesburg (Rep. of South Africa)

A picture of the rear confirms that this is a Mk 1 with the AEC petrol engine. Note Vickers machine gun conversion in the turret, as South Africa had no supplies of 7.92mm ammo for a Besa but did have lots of .303 for a Vickers (John Pearson)



Yuri Pasholok, September 2016 - <https://www.facebook.com/>

Valentine IV – Patriot Park, Kubinka (Russia)



Yuri Pasholok, February 2015 - <http://yuripasholok.livejournal.com/4235086.html>

Valentine V – Museum of the National Military History, Padikovo, Moscow Oblast (Russia)

Formerly owned by Andrew Rowe in Rongotea, near Palmerston North (New Zealand). W. D. N° T66657, built in May, 1942. This Valentine V was restored by Andrew Rowe from a wreck in 1992



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Vitaly Kuzmin, April 2020 - <https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.2609824352477954&type=3>

Valentine – Museum of military equipment "Battle Glory of the Urals", Verkhnyaya Pyshma, Sverdlovsk Oblast (Russia)



Jim Goetz, January 2023

Valentine – Armoured Corps Museum, Ahmednagar, Maharashtra (India)
The gun and mantlet are fake ones



<http://m.rediff.com/news/>

Valentine – The Indian Military Academy, Dehradun, Uttarakhand (India)



Image from Google Maps

Valentine "Hotspur" – Merredin Military Museum, WA (Australia)

This tank is on permanent loan to the Merredin Military Museum from Ross Wahlsten, who got it all restored to original with a turret from NZ. His tank came from a farmer in Kulin, WA where it had been used as a tractor (Rod Diery). The tank is in need of some major repair work by way of gearbox replacement as the original casing cracked when Ross went to move it a couple of years back (Merredin Military Museum)



<http://imgur.com/a/DxK5M#27>

Valentine – Australian Armour and Artillery Museum, Cairns, QLD (Australia)

Came from the Ron Fry collection who restored it from a wreck to display condition a number of years ago, before being re-worked by the museum staff for their display



<http://hmvf.co.uk/forumvb/showthread.php?46954-Valentine-Tank>

Valentine – The National Military Vehicle Museum, MVPS South Australia Edinburgh Park, near Adelaide (Australia)

This tank comes from the Melbourne Tank Museum (Australia) and was sold on an auction in late 2006



http://www.armorama.com/modules.php?op=modload&name=SquawkBox&file=index&req=viewtopic&topic_id=162252&page=5

Valentine Mk V – National Army Museum, Waiouru (New Zealand) – running condition

This Valentine is a MKV with 2pdr gun and correct Detroit 6004 engine. This is a running tank rebuilt in the early 1980's by NZ Army Workshop Staff. New Zealand Army stopped using Valentines around 1960



Photo provided by Andrew Rowe

Valentine Close Support – National Army Museum, Waiouru (New Zealand)

The tank is currently stored and is not publicly visible. This is a Mk2 hull with the Mk3 Close Support Turret. The turret comes from the Valentine displayed in a park in Edgumbe, which later went to Dave Cross collection (Andrew Rowe)



"ImaginaryInfinity", August 2010 - http://s426.photobucket.com/albums/pp342/ImaginaryInfinity/?action=view¤t=tank_NZ.jpg

Valentine – Auckland Museum of Transport and Technology
Auckland (New Zealand) – running condition



<https://www.facebook.com/groups/66266488488/permalink/10161908343228489>

Valentine – Wanaka National Transport and Toy Museum, Wanaka (New Zealand)



Kevin Simmonds, 2017

Valentine Mk II – Ross Hopkins Collection, Hamilton (New Zealand) – running condition
This vehicle is running with an AEC 190 engine (Andrew Rowe)



Valentine – Dave Cross Collection, Tauranga (New Zealand)

This is a Valentine Mk3 hull with Mk2 turret. Tank was the sole survivor of the Valentine Close Support 3" Howitzer Programme that the NZ Army did during 1943, to use on operations at Nissan Island against the Japanese in early 1944. The tank was on a children's playground for years in Egdecumbe. It now has a Mk2, 2pdr turret as the original C/S turret was swapped out and taken back to the National Army Museum, Waiouru NZ in the early 1990s, and fitted to a MK2 hull (Andrew Rowe)



Photo provided by Andrew Rowe

Valentine – Private collection, Christchurch area (New Zealand)

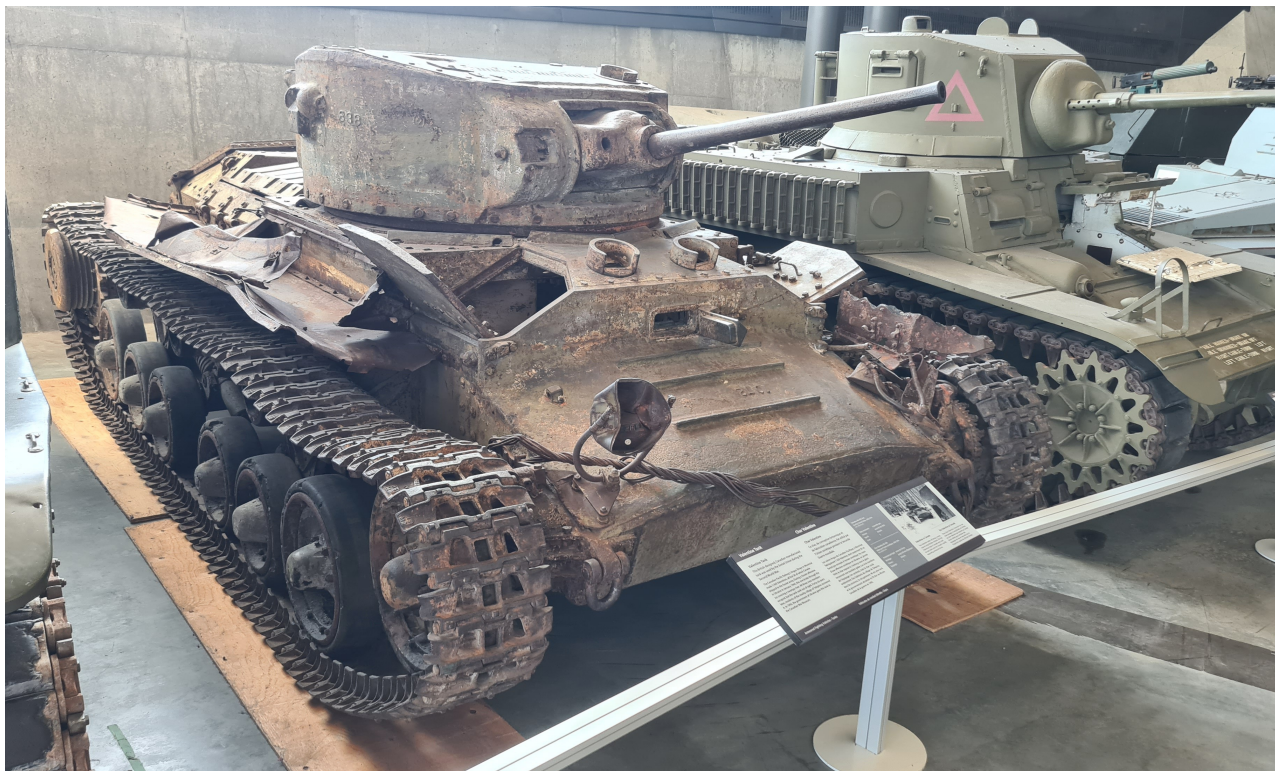
This tank is a former gate guard at Burnham Military Camp in Christchurch, NZ. It was acquired by Paul Whitting in the late 1980's, early 90's and was sold a few years ago to local collectors in the Christchurch area for restoration (Andrew Rowe)



Pierre-Olivier Buan, September 2018

Valentine – Virginia Museum of Military Vehicles, Nokesville, VA (USA)

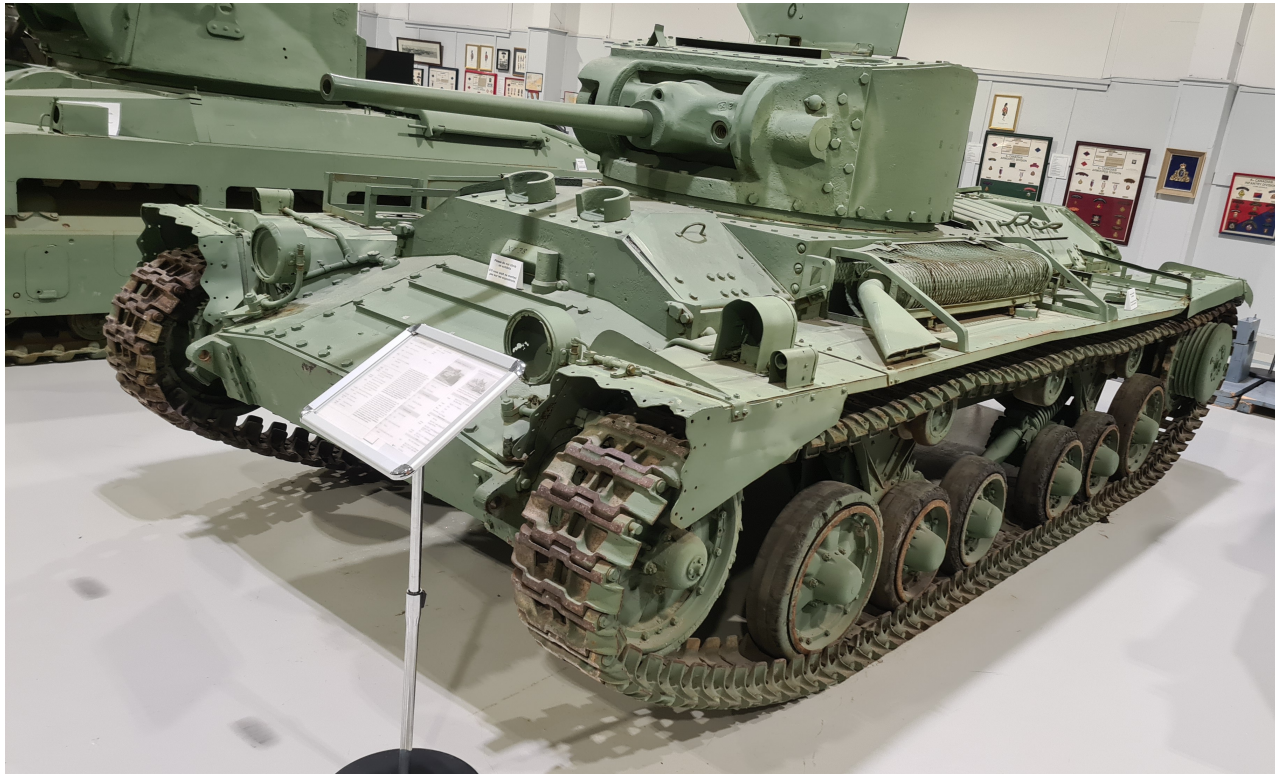
This tank was part of the Budge Collection (UK) before the collection was scattered. It is a Valentine III, WD N° T121944



Pierre-Olivier Buan, September 2024

Valentine – Canadian War Museum, Ottawa (Canada)

Valentine Tank Mk VIIA, Serial Number 838, built in May 1943, was a Lend-Lease tank shipped to the Soviet Union. It fell through the ice of a boggy river near Telepino (Telepyne, Ukraine), during a Soviet counter-offensive on 25 January 1944. In 1990, a 74-year old villager helped locate the tank, and it was recovered and offered as a Glasnost-era gift to Canada. It was presented to the Canadian War Museum by independent Ukraine in 1992, and stands on display in the LeBreton Gallery (Wikipedia)



Pierre-Olivier Buan, September 2024

Valentine – Canadian Forces Base, Borden (Canada)



<http://www.scubaboard.com/forums/mid-atlantic-bottom-feeders/276968-wreck-john-morgan-virginia-beach.html>

Valentine – Sunk off Cape Henry, Virginia (USA)

This Canadian lend-lease Valentine tank sunk with the Liberty ship that transported it. The SS "John D. Morgan" was a WWII liberty ship that sank off the coast of Virginia with a full war load, on it's maiden voyage on 1 June 1943, after colliding with the SS "Montana" (<http://www.scubaboard.com> and Wikipedia)



"spitfire4ever", 2006 - <http://s56.photobucket.com/albums/g195/spitfire4ever/War%20and%20Peace%20Show%20Beltring%202006/>

Valentine Duplex Drive – John Pearson Collection (UK) – running condition

This vehicle was bought by John Pearson from a farmer who got it from surplus after the war and used it as a bulldozer. This was one of the most secret restorations undertaken, due to the rarity of the vehicle (the only one left in the world). Some of the parts which were removed for bulldozer use were luckily kept by the farmer. As the original flotation screen components were either missing or unusable, John used an old tarpaulin and fireman's hose for the inflatable supports, and fabricated the supporting arms to restore the flotation screen. In the future, a proper flotation screen will be fitted and made workable (<http://www.armouruk.net/>)



<http://www.underwater-photos.co.uk/Wrecks.html>

Two Valentine Duplex Drive wrecks – Sunk off Moray Firth (Scotland)

Moray Firth was chosen for D-day landing trials during the war. More or less eight tanks were lost during these trials (<http://www.vw2inthehighlands.co.uk/>). Only two of them were located and are now regularly visited by scuba divers (<http://www.moraydiving.com/morayfirth/wrecks.asp>)



<http://www.kyarra.com/Wreck%20tours/Valentine%20Tanks.htm>



<http://www.kyarra.com/Wreck%20tours/Valentine%20Tanks.htm>

Two Valentine Duplex Drive wrecks – Sunk off Swanage (UK)

These tanks sank whilst practising for the D Day landings in Normandy. The 2 tanks are 100 metres apart and situated in flat, silty terrain, they are located 3.5 miles away from Swanage, Dorset (<http://www.kyarra.com/Wreck%20tours/Valentine%20Tanks.htm>)



Massimo Foti, March 2011 - <http://www.flickr.com/photos/massimofoti/5581493652/>

Valentine Bridgelayer – Bovington Tank Museum (UK)

Built as a Mark I Valentine in 1941, this vehicle was the first to be converted to a bridgelayer in early 1942. It was used for training at the Experimental Bridging Establishment, then after a period at the School of Tank Technology, it came to the Tank Museum in 1949 (Museum)



Walter Schwabe, March 2014

Valentine Bridgelayer – National War and Resistance Museum, Overloon (Netherlands)



"miles", November 2006 - <http://www.nikonland.eu/foto/showphoto.php/photo/5523>

Valentine Bridgelayer – Museo della Motorizzazione Militare della Cecchignola
Rome (Italy)



Yuri Pasholok, July 2021

Valentine Bridgelayer – Kubinka Tank Museum (Russia)



"Chaitanya", March 2009 - <http://picasaweb.google.com/chaitanya.vedak/20090315PuneNagarOneDayTrip#5313669796344909202>

Valentine Bridge-layer – Armoured Corps Museum, Ahmednagar, Maharashtra (India)



<https://media-cdn.tripadvisor.com/media/photo-s/10/ee/37/13/caption.jpg>

Valentine Bridge-layer – Defence services museum, Naypyidaw (Burma / Myanmar)



Pierre-Olivier Buan, May 2023

Archer Tank Destroyer – Bovington Tank Museum (UK)

This Archer has service number S280017, suggesting it was built in the first half of 1945. Its service history is unknown. It came to the Tank Museum in 1969 (Museum)



"Bukvoed", June 2006 - <http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Image:Yad-Mordechai-battlefield-Archer-2.jpg>

Archer Tank Destroyer – Kevin Wheatcroft Collection (UK)

This tank was previously located at Yad Mordechai battlefield reconstruction site



Pierre-Olivier Buan, June 2014 - <https://www.flickr.com/photos/13963542@N08/14485295167/in/set-72157645315709427>

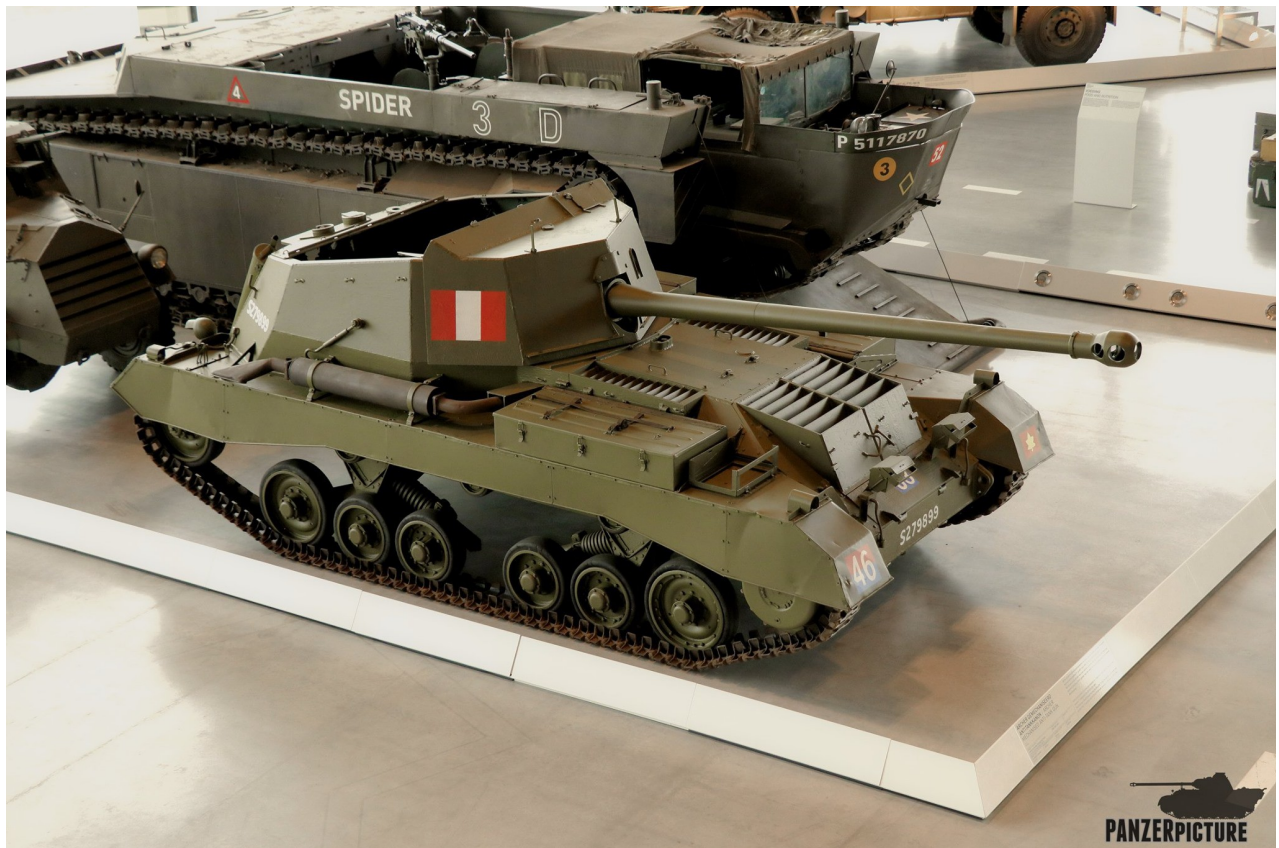
Archer Tank Destroyer – Rod and Rex Cadman Collection (UK)

This is a factory-built Archer, not a modified Valentine gun tank. The factory-built tanks had less armour thickness to increase speed
(Craig Moore)



Kees Stravers, August 2007 - http://www.pbase.com/kees_s/overloon&page=all

Archer Tank Destroyer – National War and Resistance Museum Overloon (Netherlands)



https://www.facebook.com/pg/Panzerpicture/photos/?tab=album&album_id=2574643175997837

Archer Tank Destroyer – Stichting Nationaal Militair Museum, Soesterberg (Netherlands)



Jim Goetz, March 2017 - <https://www.facebook.com/>

Archer Tank Destroyer – Yad la-Shiryon Museum, Latrun (Israel)



Alex Blohin, 2004 - http://www.thetankmaster.com/ENGLISH/AFV/ZAHAL_10.asp

Archer Tank Destroyer – Batey ha-Osef Museum storage yard, Tel Aviv (Israel)



https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Royal_Tank_Museum_126.jpg

Archer Tank Destroyer – Jordan Tank Museum (Jordan)



Pierre-Olivier Buan, January 2025

Archer Tank Destroyer – Armoured Corps Museum, Ahmednagar, Maharashtra (India)



Roland Craig Shortt, March 2019 - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/Tigertracks/permalink/1111415602364642/>

Archer Tank Destroyer – Australian Armour and Artillery Museum, Cairns, QLD (Australia)

This tank comes from Yad Mordechai Kibbutz. It has been painted in the markings of the 7th Anti Tank Regt, 2nd Polish Corps



"Bukvoed", June 2006 - <http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Image:Yad-Mordechai-battlefield-Archer-2.jpg>

Valentine with homemade turret – Being moved to the war museum (Cyprus)

In Cyprus there was one Valentine that was modified and used during the Greek-Turkish troubles in the early 1960s. It is thought to be the last Valentine to fight in action. This was a turretless hull used in a quarry which was given a new superstructure and the number EF-19. The Greek Cypriots installed a box-shaped turret of their own on the vehicle, sufficient to allow a gunner to fire a Bren gun from a standing position inside the vehicle. Almost certainly served with a two man crew. It has been preserved by the Cyprus National Guard with a view to be displayed in a museum they are planning to build. It is the same vehicle that was shown in David Fletcher's article about the Valentine Bishop and Churchill Gun Carriers in CMV Sep 2010 ([HMY Forum](#))



Pierre-Olivier Buan, September 2022

Valentine hull with Alligator turret

House of Tanks museum, Wichita, KS (USA) – running condition

Ex "Mad Trax" hull. This tank was owned by the Ron Fry collection, and has been rebuilt to represent a fictional tank for display / re-enactor use, as a universal nationality tank (BT Cruiser prototype). Modified hull and fitted with a modified LVT Alligator turret



<https://hmvf.co.uk/topic/11853-shervick/page/2/>

Valentine IX Duplex Drive lower hull – Private Collection (UK)



"rog8811", 2007 - <http://hmvf.co.uk/forumvb/album.php?albumid=347>

Valentine wrecked hull – Pirbright range, Surrey (UK)



Tim Royall, 1993

Valentine wrecked hull – North of the Bombard OP, Salisbury Plain firing range (UK)



http://dailyexcelsior.com/web1/11june08/photo_large.jpg

Valentine wreck – river Ravi near Lakhapur, Kathua ditrict (India)



Image from Google Maps



Image from Google Maps



Image from Google Maps

Four Valentine hulls – Nungarin Heritage Machinery & Army Museum, Nungarin, WA (Australia)

These machines were modified for land or farm work after WW2



Rod Diery, October 2007 - <http://www.mapleleafup.org/forums/showthread.php?t=9825>

Valentine hull – Private collection (Australia)

Several Valentine hulls remain onto private hands in Australia. After WW2, a lot of Valentines were sent to Australia to be used as agricultural tractors and were modified for these purposes (the turrets and some pieces of armor were removed). This particular Valentine, which was sold by a farmer in Kulin WA, will apparently be preserved in its tractor configuration by its owner (Rod Diery)



Rod Diery, June 2006 - <http://www.mapleleafup.org/forums/showthread.php?t=6407>

Valentine hull – Latham, near Wubin, WA (Australia)
Modified for land clearing (<http://somewhere42.wordpress.com/tag/military/>)



Ron Wynn, January 2018

Valentine hull – Wave Rock Resort, near Hyden, Western Australia (Australia)



Ron Fry

Valentine hull – On a farm, Western Australia (Australia)



<https://www.facebook.com/186021145141226/photos/pcb.788998991510102/788997198176948/>

Valentine hull – On a farm, Western Australia (Australia)



Rod Diery - <http://www.mapleleafup.org/forums/showthread.php?t=6407&page=2>

Valentine hull – Located in a farm near Ballidu (Western Australia)



"Tommy K" - <http://www.mapleleafup.org/forums/showthread.php?t=8232>

Valentine hull – Somewhere in Western Australia
Modified to be used as an agricultural tractor



"Tommy K" - <http://www.mapleleafup.org/forums/showthread.php?t=8232>

Valentine hull – Somewhere in Western Australia
Modified to be used as an agricultural tractor



Photo provided by Rupert Kondrick

Valentine hull – Private collection, WA (Australia)
Modified to be used as an agricultural tractor



<https://www.facebook.com/groups/788236618515764/user/100003638478460/>

Valentine hull – On a farm in Australia



"MurrayC", June 2007 - <http://www.mapleleafup.org/forums/showthread.php?t=8232>

Valentine Dozer – Don Rhodes Mining and Transport Museum,
Port Hedland, WA (Australia)



<https://www.milweb.net/webvert/a4620/98172>

Valentine restoration projet – Private collection (New Zealand)



Ron Fry



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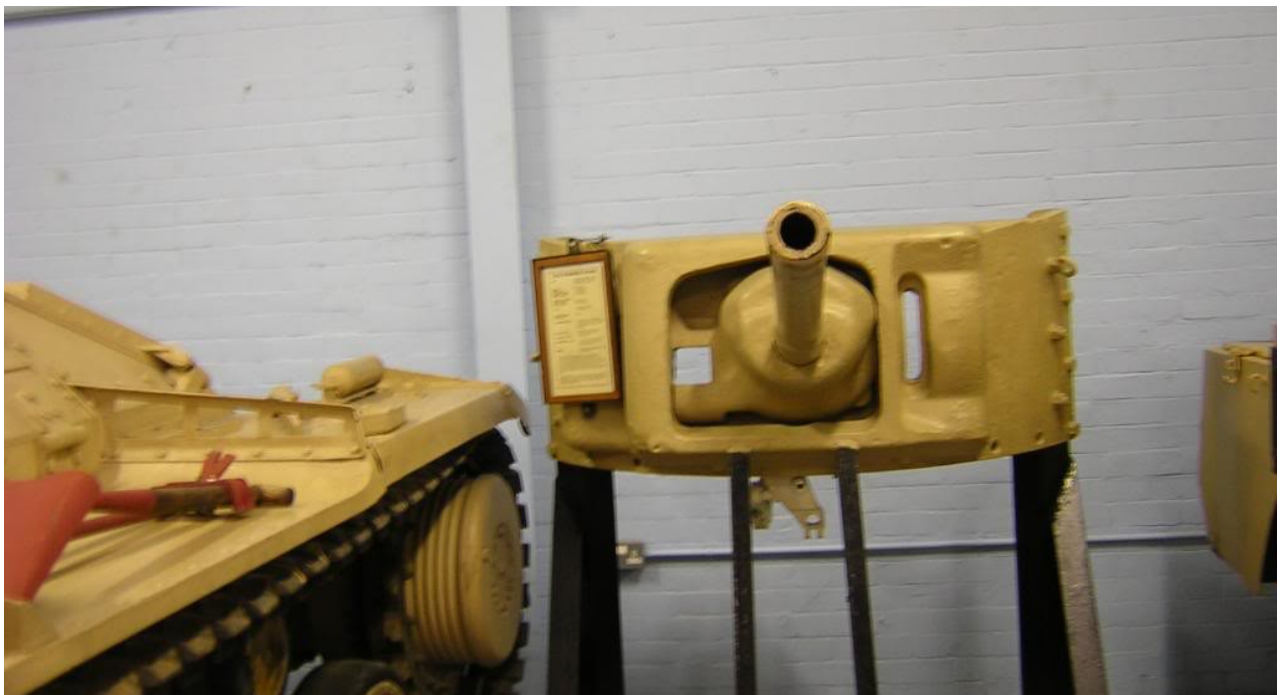


Ron Fry



Ron Fry

Several Valentine hull and turret remains – Waiouru Army firing range (New Zealand)



"ossie", February 2010 - <http://s841.photobucket.com/albums/zz337/avre165/centurion/tank%20museum/?start=320>

Valentine front turret and main gun – Bovington Tank Museum (UK)



<http://www.bigcat.pt/GALERIA%20VEICULOS%20MILITARES%20V.htm>

Valentine – Unknown location, probably military area (Portugal)



<http://www.com-central.net/index.php?name=Forums&file=viewtopic&p=112723#112723>

Valentine hull – Unknown location (Australia?)



Unknown source

Valentine wreck – Unknown fire range (UK)

I'm looking for photos of those tanks :

Photos of Valentine hulls that remain onto private hands in Australia or New Zealand

any Valentine tank or variant that I forgot....

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