

**Prussian Napoleonic Tactics 1792-1815**  
Osprey Elite series No. 182 (2011)  
Text by Peter Hofschroer; colour plates by Adan Hook

**Contents:**

The Legacy of Frederick the Great  
The Early Reforms 1783-92  
The Experience of the Revolutionary Wars  
The Ten-Year Peace  
The War of 1806  
The Later Reforms 1807-15

**Colour Plates:**

Musketeer Battalion in Line 1792  
Musketeer Battalion in Crescent 1806  
Fusilier Battalion 1806 with flank platoons deploying as skirmishers  
Battalion in column passing a defile  
Prussian cavalry 1813  
Brigade deployed to meet cavalry  
Two brigades attacking: Plancenoit 1815

**Comments:**

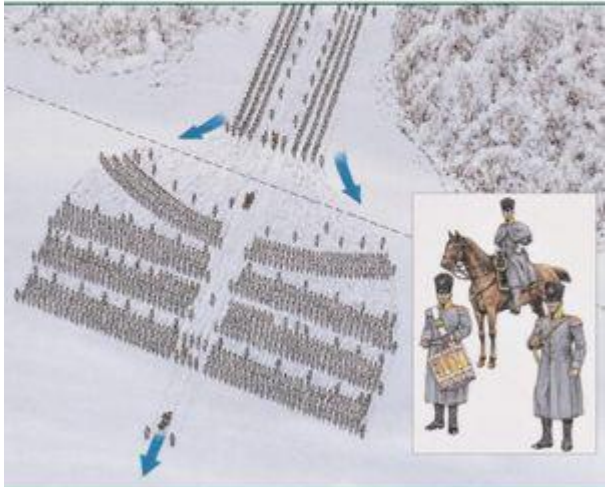
This is essential reading for anyone with a Prussian wargames army in order that they operate like Prussians and not just as a generic Napoleonic force. This is a well-written and thorough treatment of the development of Prussian tactics from the time of Frederick the Great through several attempts at modernization, culminating in the successful formula they found after 1813. Other volumes in the series concentrate on infantry alone but this includes cavalry as well and therefore provides a more rounded explanation of Prussian battlefield practice.

Read this first before progressing to Brent Nosworthy's *Battle Tactics of Napoleon and his Enemies* for more depth and your Napoleonic battles will have a better period flavour.

**--Paul Le Long**



# Prussian Napoleonic Tactics 1792–1815



PETER HOFCHRÖER

ILLUSTRATED BY ADAM HOOK