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It also retained its foothold on the coast of, acquired when it had gone to the aid of its Italian ally in 1941. On 16 August, Hitler finally ordered a withdrawal but it was too late. The Battle of Normandy refers to the Invasion of Normandy by Allied Forces in Normandy, France during World War 2 from June 6 th, 1944 until the Allied breakout in July, 1944.

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Topped by German guns, capture of this position was tasked to Lieutenant Colonel James E. He was replaced by Field Marshal Günther von Kluge.

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Continuing on, Allied forces pressed north to take the port of Cherbourg and south towards the city of Caen. In the aftermath, more than 7,000 suspected collaborators were arrested.

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The Americans were to head for Argentan. Further east, 79th US Division are the first Allied troops to cross the River Seine. French forces of the 2nd Armoured Division under General Philippe Leclerc arrived from the west on 24th August, while the American 4th Infantry Division pressed up from the south.

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This figure includes over 209,000 Allied casualties, with nearly 37,000 dead amongst the ground forces and a further 16,714 deaths amongst the Allied air forces. For much of the battle the Germans used their strongest troops — the tank forces — in the east against the British and Canadians.

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A Second Front In 1942, Winston Churchill and issued a statement that the western allies would work as quickly as possible to open a second front to relieve pressure on the Soviets. It was impossible in the circumstances.

Normandy Invasion

These divisions were commanded by Major General Clarence R. Between July 25 th and 30 th, 1944, the Allies undertake.

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