

# THE BATTLE OF OUDENARDE, 1708

## FRENCH ORDER OF BATTLE

**SCALE: 90 ACTUAL BATTALIONS TO 45; 170 ACTUAL SQUADRONS TO 78**

### **Duc de Vendôme — Right Wing, (30 squadrons, 20 battalions, 1 battery)**

Gendarmerie. 4 squadrons holding at the windmill.

Grimaldi. 14 squadrons horse in pursuit, horses blown, on the road from Oudenarde.

Biron, commanding:

8 squadrons horse rallying forward of the windmill.

4 squadrons dragoons dismounted in front of Mullem protecting the guns.

1 Battery medium guns deployed in front of Mullem.

Dubarail: 4 battalions French foot, advancing towards Diepenbeek.

Seluc: 6 battalions French foot, advancing towards Diepenbeek.

Arpajon: 6 battalions French foot, advancing towards Herlegem.

La Marck: 4 battalions German foot, deployed behind the Rooigembeek.

### **Duc de Bourgogne — Centre & Reserve (26 squadrons, 16 battalions)**

Reserve — Montmain

Maison du Roi, 8 squadrons, holding at the windmill.

Gardes Française, 2 battalions, holding on heights to the north of Huise.

Gardes Suisses, 2 battalions, holding on heights to the north of Huise.

Hussars, 2 squadrons, holding at the windmill.

Centre — Montpezat

Clay: 18 squadrons of French horse. Advancing in column to deploy at the windmill.

Poinsac: 4 battalions French foot. Advancing in column to occupy and defend Mullem.

Steckenberg: 4 battalions German foot. Advancing in column to deploy to the west of Mullem behind the Rooigembeek.

Mouchy: 4 battalions Swiss and French foot. Deployed east of Mullem to defend the left flank.

Left — Rosen. All commands advancing south, in column, down the Ghent road to deploy to the east of Mullem behind the Rooigembeek in the following order of march:

Lacatoire: 6 squadrons French horse.

Livry: 8 squadrons French dragoons

Nangis' 4 battalions Irish foot

Beringhen: 6 squadrons German and French horse

Diveryny: 6 battalions French foot