


## German M1884/98 III BAYONET MAKERS' MARKINGS

The following table lists the German M1884/98 III bayonet makers, their maker's marks, and years of production observed to date. The Number Codes (and corresponding year codes) are as documented by Dr. Johannes Preuss in Zahlencode System Des Heeres Von 1925-1940: Kennziffern für die Hersteller neu gefertigter Waffen, Munition und Gerät (Number Code System of the Army from 1925-1940: Indices for the Manufacturers of Newly Manufactured Weapons, Ammunition and Equipment). The years of production are as determined by Andrej Blazicek's analysis of data collected by the 98k Bayonet Collector's Network (BCN). More than 11,500 bayonets have been documented to determine the years of production cited here.

<b>Manufacturer's Markings Found on M1884/98 III Bayonets and Scabbards 1934-1945</b>				
<b>Maker</b>	<b>Number Code</b>	<b>Trademark</b>	<b>Letter Code</b>	<b>Years of Production</b>
E. & F. Hörster, Solingen	S/155	E.u.F. Hörster	asw	1934-1944
Carl Eickhorn, Solingen	S/172	CARL EICKHORN	cof	1934-1944
Alex Coppel GmbH, Solingen	S/173	Coppel G.m.b.H.	fnj	1934-1944
Weyersberg, Kirschbaum & Company, Waffenfabrik GmbH, Solingen-Wald	S/174	W.K.C.	cvl	1934-1945
F. W. Höller, Solingen	S/175	F.W. Höller	fze	1934-1943
Paul Weyersberg, Solingen	S/176	P.WEYERSBERG	crs	1934-1945
Ernst Pack & Son, Solingen	S/177	E.PACK & S.	cul	1934-1944
Gebruder Heller, Marienthal bei Schweina, Thuringen	S/178	GEBR.HELLER	n/a	1934-1940
Remscheider Hobelmesserfabrik, Josua Corts & Son, Remscheid	S/184	JOS.CORTS Sn.	ddl	1934-1944
Elite-Diamantwerk, Siegmarschönau bei Chemnitz	S/185	Elite Diamant	i	1934-1941
Dürkopp Werke, Bielefeld	S/238	DURKOPP	n/a	1934-40
Richard A. Herder, Solingen	S/239	RICH.A.HERDER	clc	1934-1944

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Friedrich A. Herder und Sohn, Solingen	S/240	F.HERDER A.Sn.	ffc	1934-1944
Clemen & Jung, Solingen	S/241	Clemen & Jung	cqh	1934-1944
Berg & Co., Solingen-Ohligs	S/242	BERG & Co.	agv & pyy	1934-1944 1944
Mundlos AG, Magdeburg Nord	S/244	MUNDLOS	ab	1934-1944
Jetter & Scheerer, Tuttlingen	S/245	J.Sch.	n/a	1934-1941
Genossenschaft Maschinenfabrik, Ferlach-Kärnten, Ostmark(Austria)	n/a		bym	1939-1945
August Wallmeyer, Eisenach-Thüringen (scabbards only)	n/a	n/a	can	1944
Staatliche Waffenfabrik, Chatellerault, France	n/a	n/a	jwh	1941-1944
F. & K. Hörster, Solingen	n/a	n/a	sgx	1944-1945

<b>Year Codes Used 1925–1936 Under the Number Code System</b>					
<b>Code</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Year</b>
A	1925	R	1929	N	1933
Z	1926	B	1930	K	1934
M	1927	E	1931	G	1935
T	1928	O	1932	S	1936

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