MiG-21MF Fighter Bomber

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The MiG-21 was the most-produced supersonic fighter in the world serving with more than fifty Air Forces over four continents.

The MiG-21 was one of a long-list of Mikoyan-Gurevich designs integrated into the armed forces of the Soviet Union, the Warsaw Pact, and allied client states. Its predecessors included such notable types as the MiG-15, MiG-17, and the supersonic MiG-19. The roots of MiG-21 project reach back to the first half of the fifties. In 1954, when the preliminary design study Ye-1 came to its end and was quickly replaced by the reworked Ye-2 prototype. Both had a swept wing. The first MiG design to feature the delta wing was the Ye-4 prototype, which took to the air for the first time on June 16, 1955. It was also demonstrated a year later at the Moscow airfield Tushino.

The new aircraft with the MiG-21 designation was the first successful Soviet design integrating fighter and interceptor characteristics. It was also quite light Mach 2 aircraft, although the long-lasting development was adding weight gradually. The design featured sleek fuselage with the front air intake and shock cone. This feature later limited future development due to the very small space available for the radar.

Cold War warrior

The first of the new line to enter production was the MiG-21F, which together with the MiG-21P and MiG-21F-13 represented the first generation of this line. These versions were in production through the end of the fifties and the beginning of the sixties. Subsequent versions included the PF, FL, PFM and R with production of these peaking at the end of the sixties. The third generation started production in 1968 and included the most advanced versions of MiG-21 like the M, SM, MF, SMT or bis among others. Simultaneously, two-seat training versions were also produced designated MiG-21U, UM and US.

Production of the MiG-21 ended in 1985. The new aircraft came off Soviet production lines in Moscow, Gorky and Tbilisi, the MiG-21F-13 was also built under license in Czechoslovakia and the MiG-21FL, M and bis in India by Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd. The Soviet Union produced 10,645 examples of all versions, 194 were built in Czechoslovakia and 657 in India. That counts 11,496 aircraft produced.

Over the course of the Cold War, the opponents of the MiG-21 included the likes of the Northrop F-5 Freedom Fighter or the Dassault Mirage III. NATO assigned it the reporting name "Fishbed", while the Soviet pilots called it "Balalaika" due to the shape resemblance with the Russian musical instrument.

Aces from Asia, Middle East or Africa

Outside of the Soviet Union, the type flew with a long list of nations on four continents (Europe, Asia, Africa, and South America)

and participated in many conflicts and wars. The most remarkable combat use includes the Vietnam war, the Indo-Pakistan wars, the Cuban participation in Angola and in the Arab world's attempts to eliminate Israel. It is no wonder there were many pilots achieving ace status flying one or more variants of MiG-21. Thanks to the high volume of use and intensive combat actions, the Vietnamese pilots are topping the list of aces of MiG-21. The top of the ladder is occupied by Nguyen Van Coc with nine kills with three eight-victory aces following: Mai Van Cuong, Nguyen Hong Nhi and Pham Thanh Ngan. Of the other nations the Syrian pilots Bassam Hamshun and Majid Zugbi both achieved seven kills flying MiG-21MF, while Adeeb Al-Jarf had the same score with MiG-21FL and Egyptian pilots Ali Vajai, Sami Marei and Sami Marei scored five times.

In the interceptor role the MiG-21 served with the Soviet Union and other nations of the Warsaw Pact into the eighties when it began to be replaced by the MiG-23 in seventies and MiG-29 Fulcrum in eighties.

This kit: MiG-21MF

This plastic model kit represents the MiG-21MF, an export version of the MiG-21SM where the "M" signifies "modernizovaniy" (modernized) and the "F" "forsirovanniy" (with afterburner). The MiG-21MF lacked some of the "sensitive" avionics equipment of the SM version. On the other hand, it also sported some improvements to its export predecessor, the MiG-21M, in several aspects. It was powered by more powerful Tumansky R-13-300 engine with afterburner and carried the Safir-21/RP-22 radar instead of less effective RP-21MA of MiG-21M. The MiG-21MF type was identified as Izdelye (series) 96F in factory documentation.

The production started in the Moscow factory No. 30, with first batch of 96 production aircraft in 1969 (it is believed these were shipped to Egypt). Starting from 1974 the production was shifted to the No. 21 factory in Gorkhyi, where 231 aircraft were built before the production shifted to the MiG-21bis version in 1976.

Although the MiG-21MF was export version, several aircraft saw service with 234. GvIAP (Guard Fighter Regiment) of VVS (Voenno Vozdushnie Sily – Air Force) located at the Kubinka air base. The reason was quite simple – the unit was tasked with flight demonstrations for foreigner customers and also with the official parade and display flights.

The armament consisted of the GS-23-2L 23mm cannon with 200 rounds. The underwing pylons could carry a combination of FAB bombs up to 500 kg caliber, UB-16-57 rocket pods, R-3S, Ch-66 or S-24 missiles, and R-60 air-to-air missile, including the R-60M. NATO assigned the MiG-21MF codename "Fishbed J".



Carefully read instruction sheet before assembling. When you use glue or paint, do not use near open flame and use in well ventilated room. Keep out of reach of small children. Children must not be allowed to suck any part, or pull vinyl bag over the head.



Před započetím stavby si pečlivě prostudujte stavební návod. Při používání barev a lepidel pracujte v dobre větrané místnosti. Lepidla ani barvy nepoužívejte v blízkosti otevřeného ohně. Model není určen malým dětem, mohlo by dojít k požití drobných dílů.









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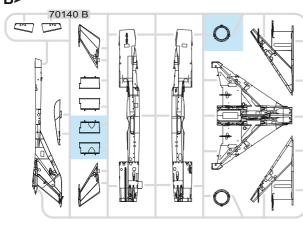
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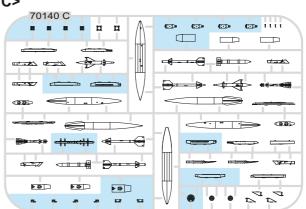
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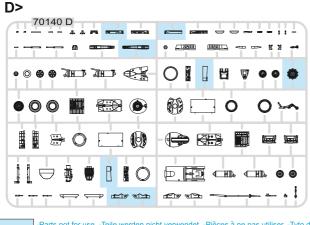
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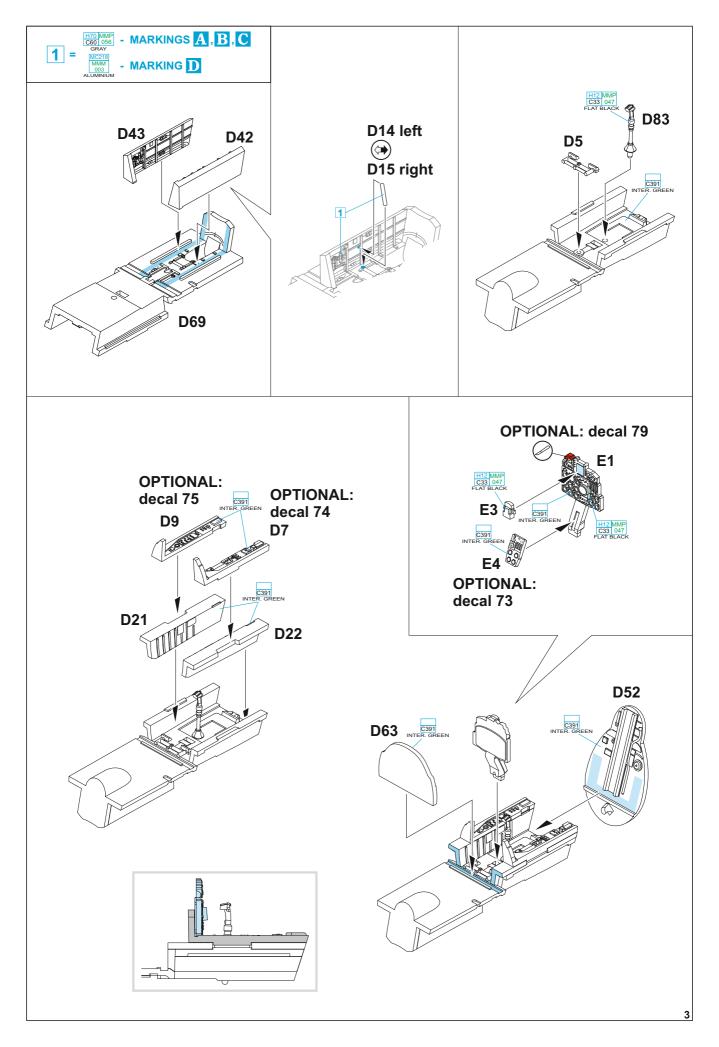
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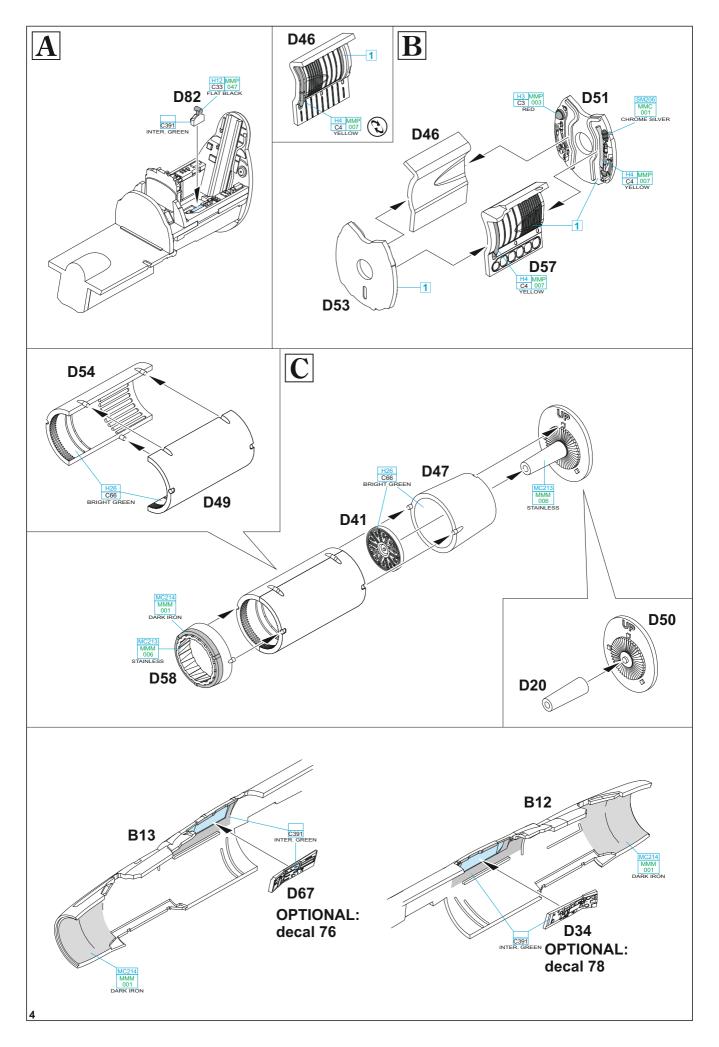
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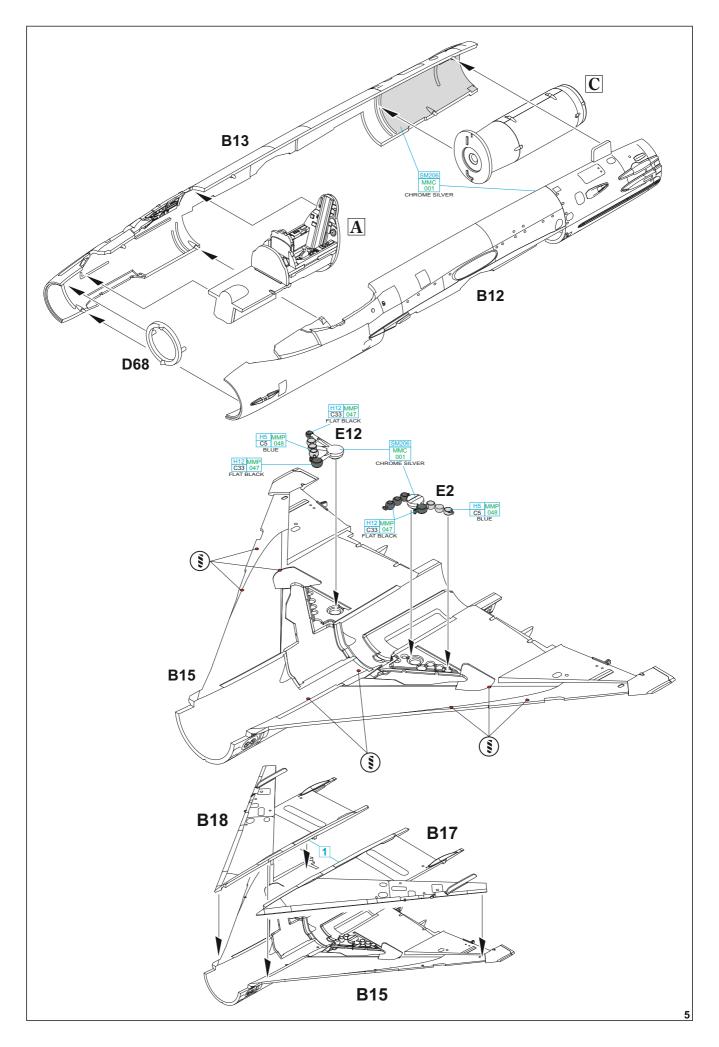
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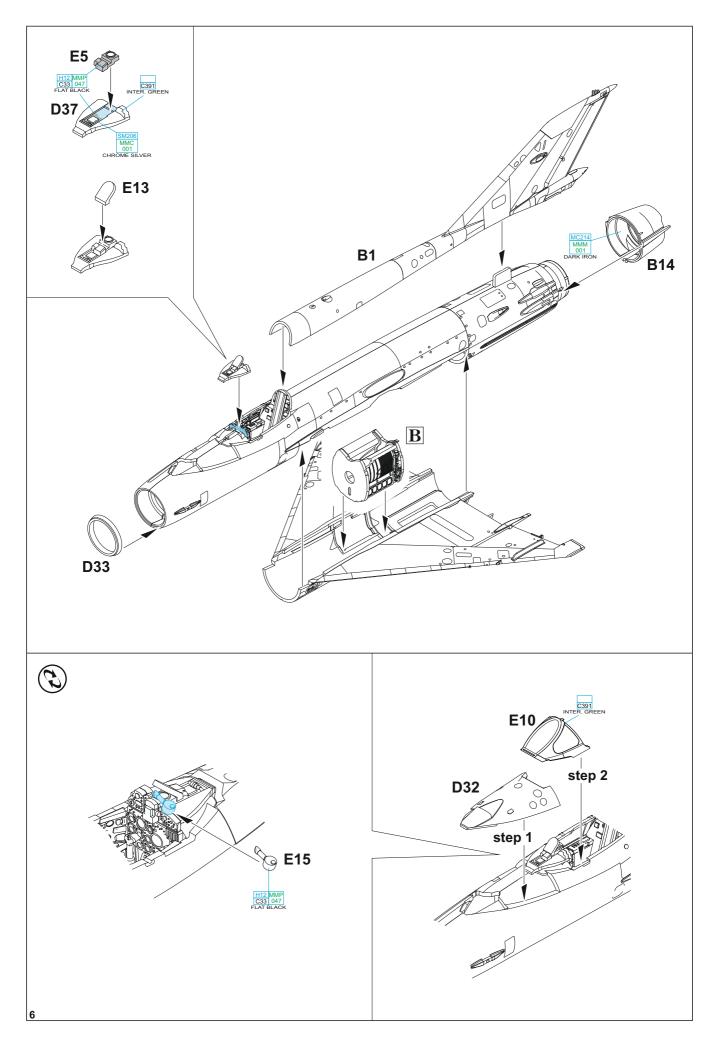
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H338	C338	MMP-116	LIGHT GRAY
H417	C117	MMP-051	LIGHT BLUE
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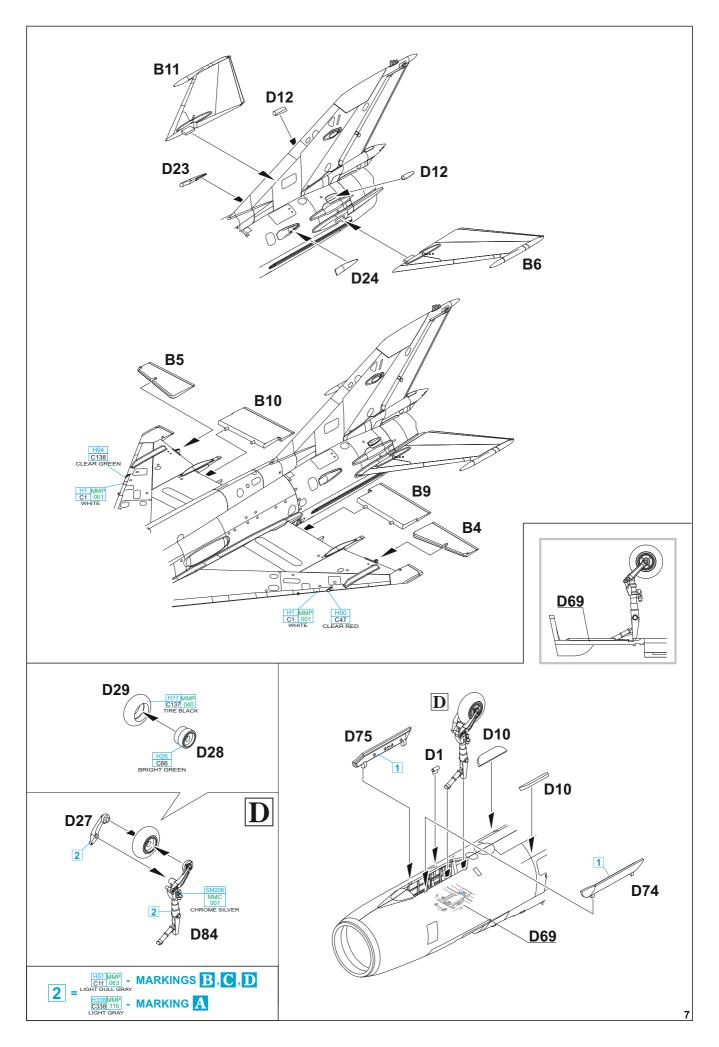
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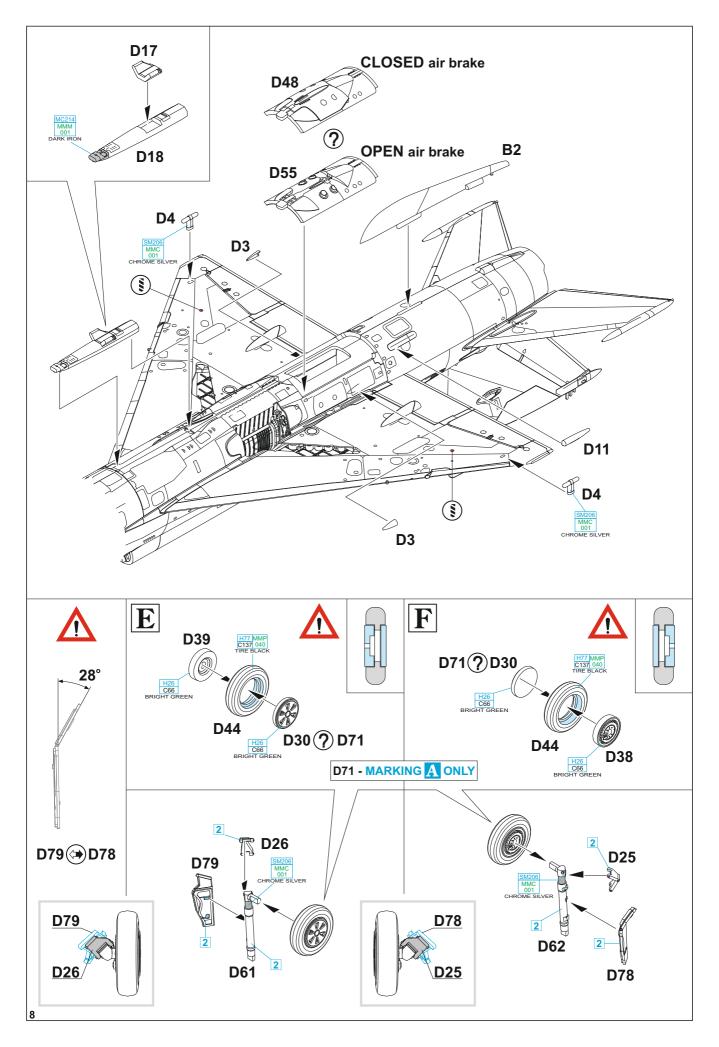


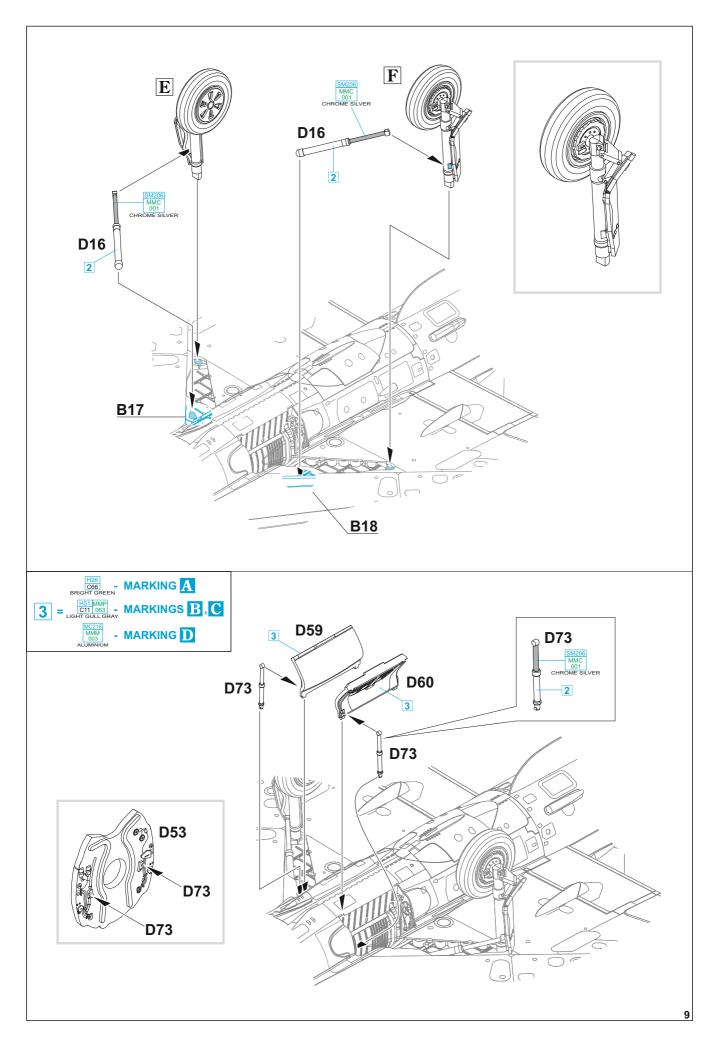


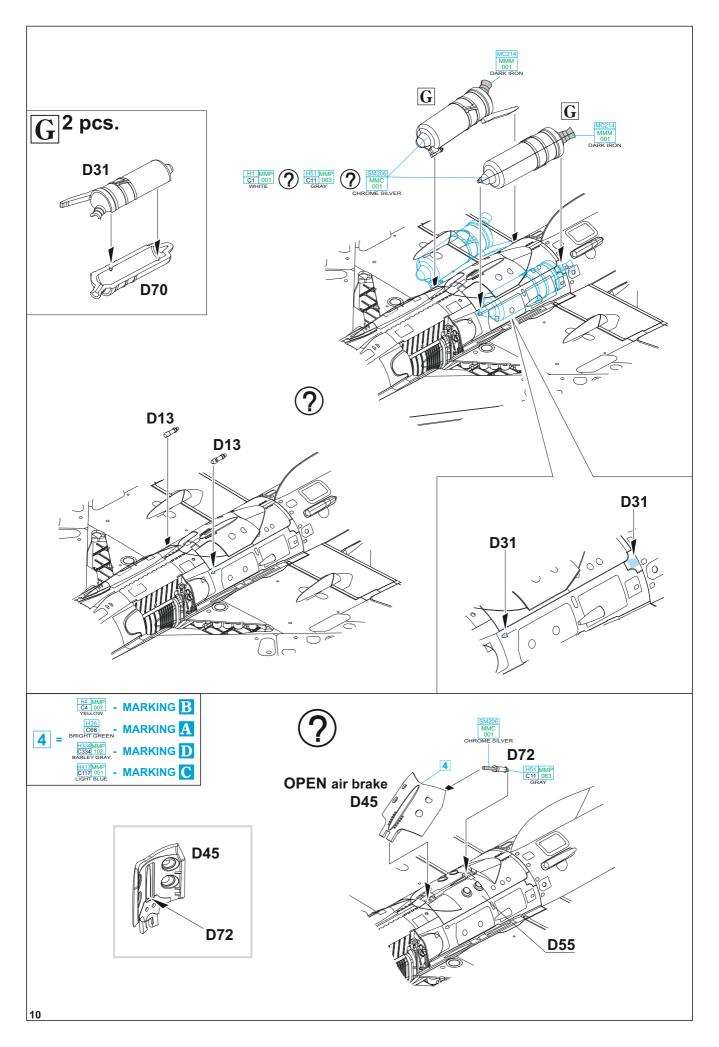


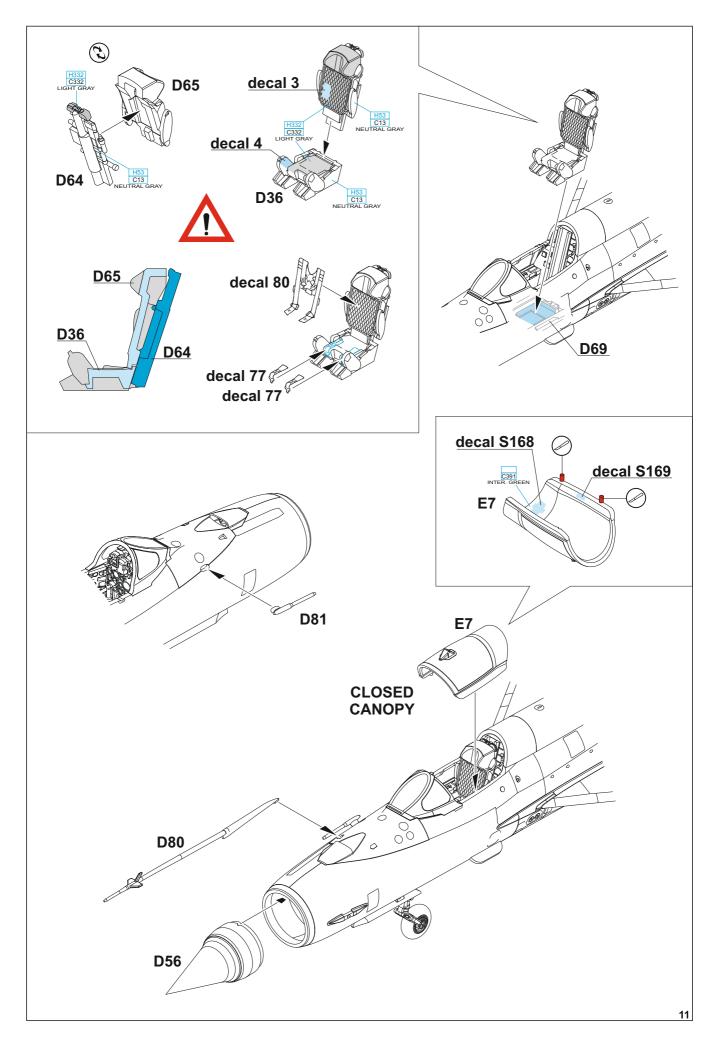


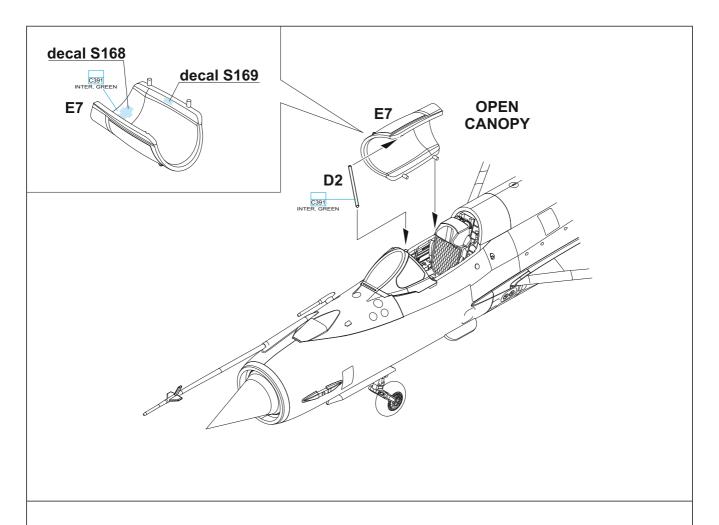


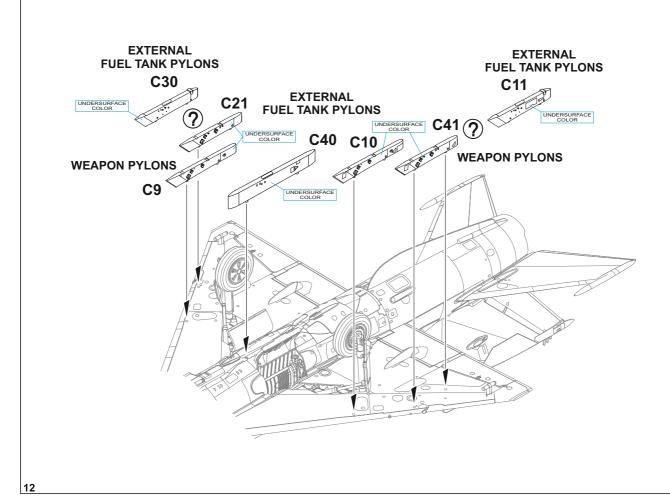


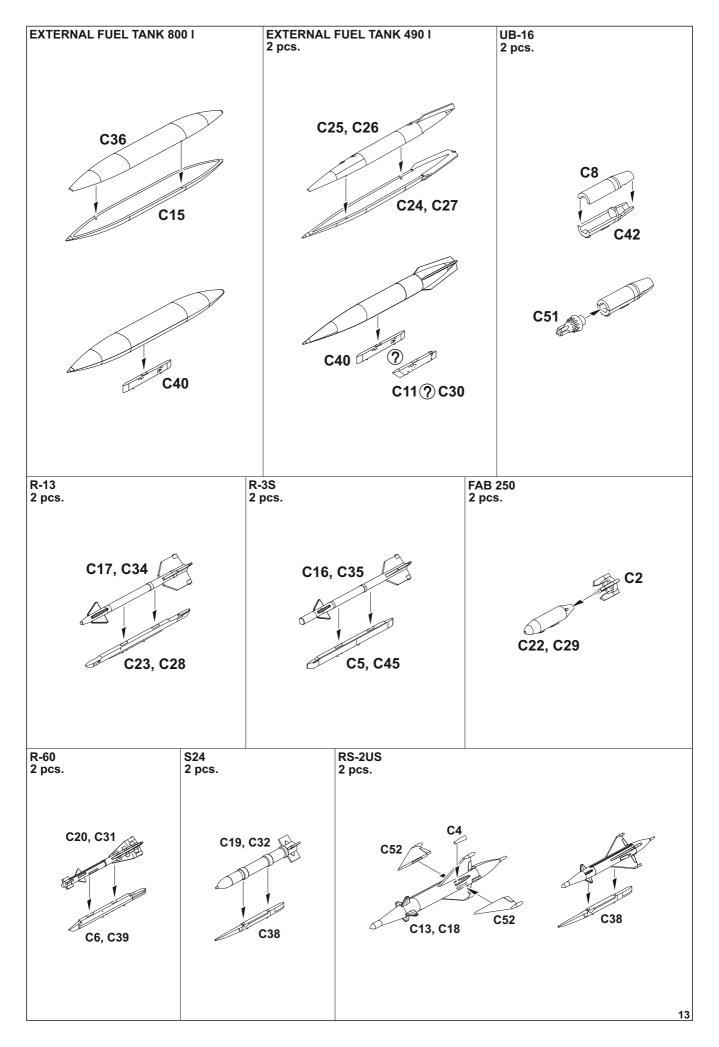




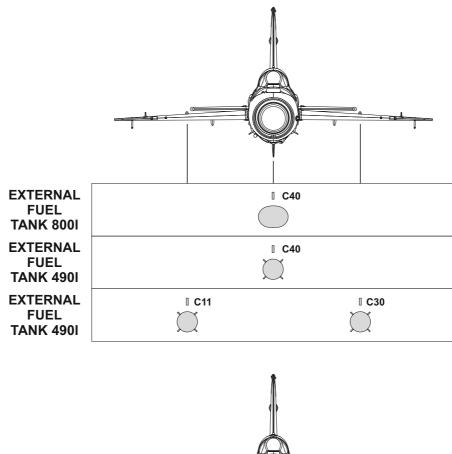


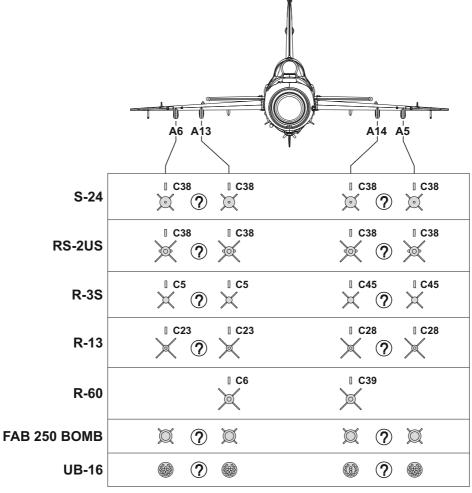






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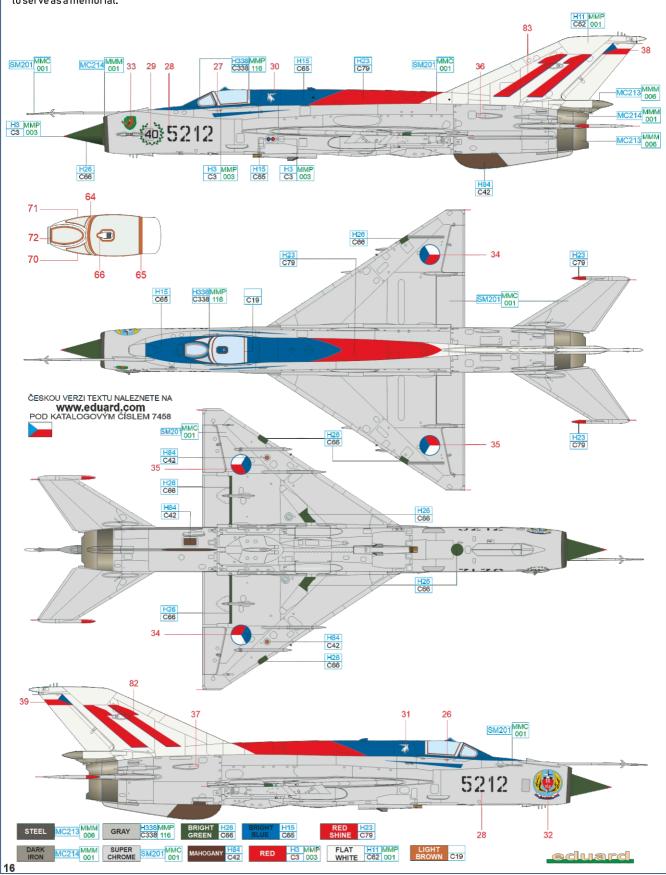
C/n 9668143, 3. Eskadra Lotnicza Taktycznego (3rd Squadron of the Tactical Air Force), Poznań-Krzesiny, Poland, 2002

3.. ELT was formed on January 1st, 2001 in Poznan-Krzesiny, equipped with the MiG-21MF, bis and UM. The MiG-21MF was operated for only two years, with service with this unit ending in 2002. Krzystof Gladkij is the author of the swordfish artwork painted on both sides of the fuselage and the tail surfaces on the occasion of the unit's 45^{th} anniversary. He supplemented the artwork on the tail surfaces with the inscriptions "Fishbed" (NATO codename for the MiG-21) and "45 lat" (45 years). In the following years the artwork was subject to several modifications. Currently, this aircraft can be seen at Aeroklub Poznański in Kobylnica.



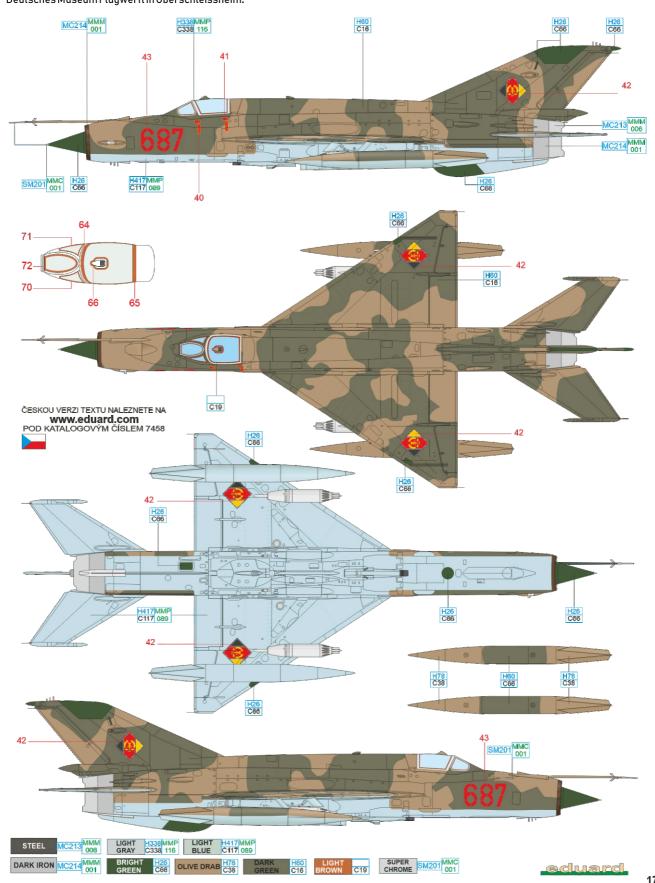
No. 5212, MiG-21MF, 2nd Fighter Squadron, 11th Fighter Regiment, Zatec Air Base, Czechoslovakia, October 1991

This MiG-21MF was delivered by the Moscow facility to the Czechoslovak Air Force in March 1972 and served with the 4th, 5th and 9th slp. In May 1991, it found its way to the 1th slp. During the same year, the aircraft underwent a general overhaul and in the process received an application of silver paint overal, giving the 2th Flight techs an opportunity to apply markings commemorating the 40th anniversary of the unit, an opportunity they took advantage of. This look of the aircraft has survived to today. After the disbandment of the 1th slp., the aircraft was reassigned to the 28th sbolp., based at Čáslav, where it served until its retirement in 2002, after which it was mounted on a pedestal to serve as a memorial.

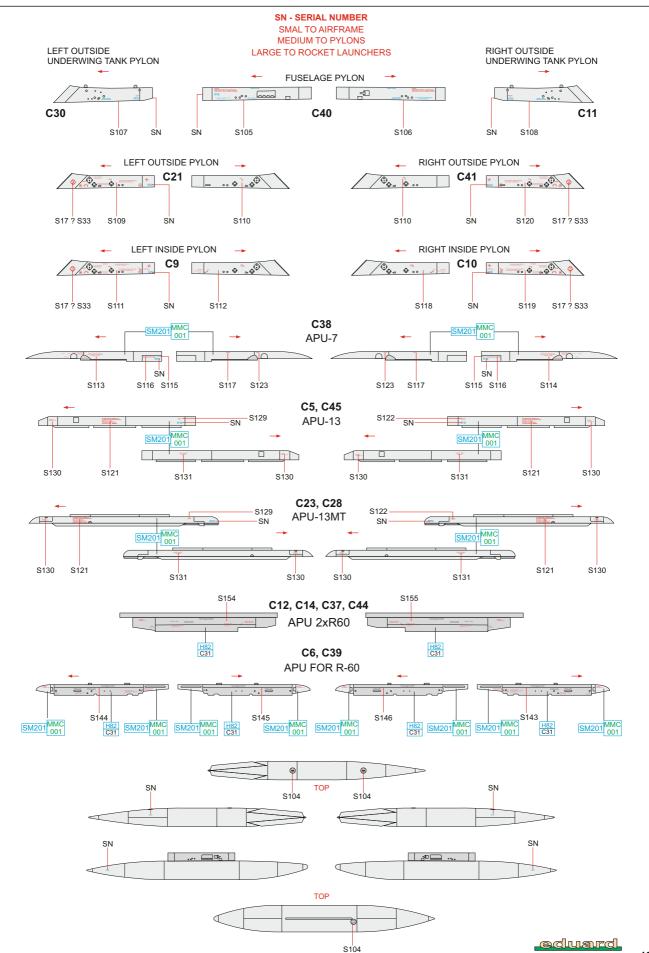


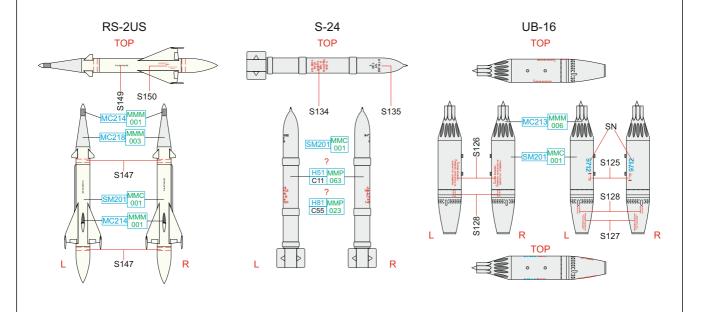
C Jagdfliegergeschwader 3, Preschen AB, German Democratic Republic, 1990

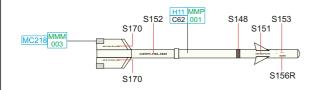
Red '687' was assigned to JG-3 based at Preschen Air Base near the town of Forst through the eighties and into the nineties. At that time, the unit operated the MiG-21MF as well as MiG-29s, and pilots also had the MiG-21UM and MiG-29UB available for training flights. The unit served is a simple of the mid-29UB available for training flights and the MiG-29UB available for training flights. The unit served is a simple of the mid-29UB available for training flights. The unit served is a simple of the mid-29UB available for training flights and the mid-29UB available for training flights. The unit served is a simple of the mid-29UB available for training flights and the mid-29UB available for training flights. The unit served is a simple of training flights are the mid-29UB available for training flights. The unit served is a simple of training flights are the mid-29UB available for training flights. The unit served is a simple of training flights are the mid-29UB available for training flights are the mid-29UB available for training flights. The unit served is a simple of training flights are the mid-29UB available for training flights are the mid-29UB available for training flights are the mid-29UB available for training flights. The mid-29UB available for training flights are the mid-29UB available for training flight flights are the mid-29UB available for training flights are the mid-29UB available flights are the mid-29UB available flight flights are the mid-29UB available flight flighthe German Democratic Republic, also known as East Germany, and was graced with the name 'Wladimir Komarow', in honor of the Soviet cosmonaut who died on April 24, 1967, during landing on return from orbit of the Soyuz 1 capsule. This aircraft is part of the collection of the Deutsches Museum Flugwerft in Oberschleissheim.



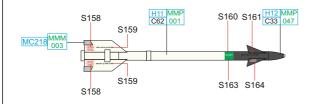
No. 7628, Egyptian Air Force, Tanta AB, Arab Republic of Egypt, 1988 Aircraft No.7628 represents the appearance of Egyptian military aircraft that are known through to the present day. The black outlined bright orange fields appeared on Egyptian aircraft at the end of the seventies, not only on the MiG-21s, but also on other fighters such $as the \, MiG-19, F-4 \, Phantom \, and \, Mirage. The \, reason for this practice \, was \, better \, visual \, recognition \, of friendly \, aircraft in \, combat \, during \, the \, war \, and \, better \, visual \, recognition \, of friendly \, aircraft in \, combat \, during \, the \, war \, and \, better \, visual \, recognition \, of friendly \, aircraft in \, combat \, during \, the \, war \, and \, better \, visual \, recognition \, of friendly \, aircraft in \, combat \, during \, the \, war \, and \, better \, visual \, recognition \, of friendly \, aircraft in \, combat \, during \, the \, war \, and \, better \, visual \, recognition \, of friendly \, aircraft in \, combat \, during \, the \, war \, and \, better \, visual \, recognition \, of \, better \, visual \, visual \, recognition \, of \, better \, visual \, recognition \, of \, better \, visual \, visual$ with Libya. H305 MMP C305 084 H305MMP H303MMP C305 084 C303 066 H27 45 48 MC213 MMM 006 0 MC213 MMM 006 MC214 MMM 001 H26 C66 SM201 MMC MC214 MMM 001 H26 C66 H14 MMP C59 005 57 -51 50 46 H12 MMP H303 MMF C33 047 C303 066 C305 084 63 H305 MMP C305 084 ČESKOU VERZI TEXTU NALEZNETE NA **www.eduard.com** POD KATALOGOVÝM ČÍSLEM 7458 H27 C44 H14 MMP C59 005 49 51 51 H84 C42 H14 MMP C59 005 O 49 H26 C66 LEFT FUEL TANK SM201 MMC 001 H84 C42 0 53 59 RIGHT FUEL TANK H14 MMP C59 005 46 SM201 MMC 001 0 GREEN H303 MMF C303 066 MAHOGANY C42 BLACK H12 MMP C33 047 ORANGE | H14 | MMP | SUPER FINE | SM201 | MMC | 001 H26 GRAY H305 MMP C66 C305 084 edward 18

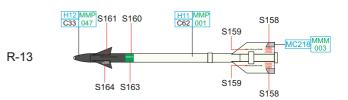


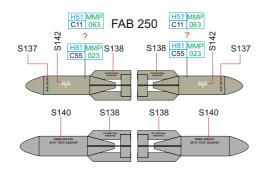


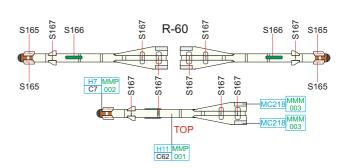


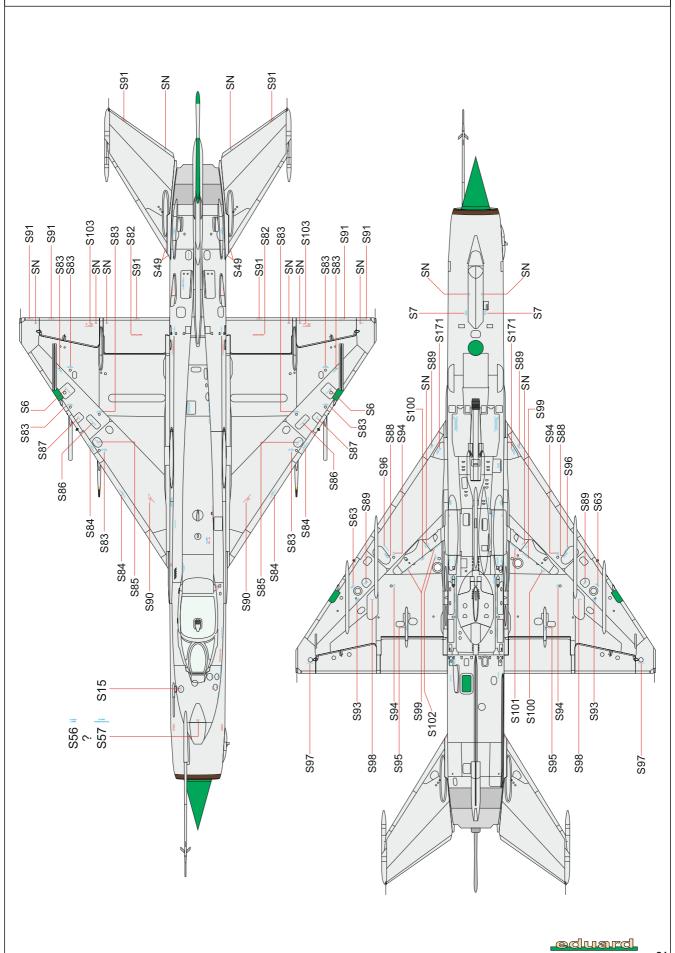


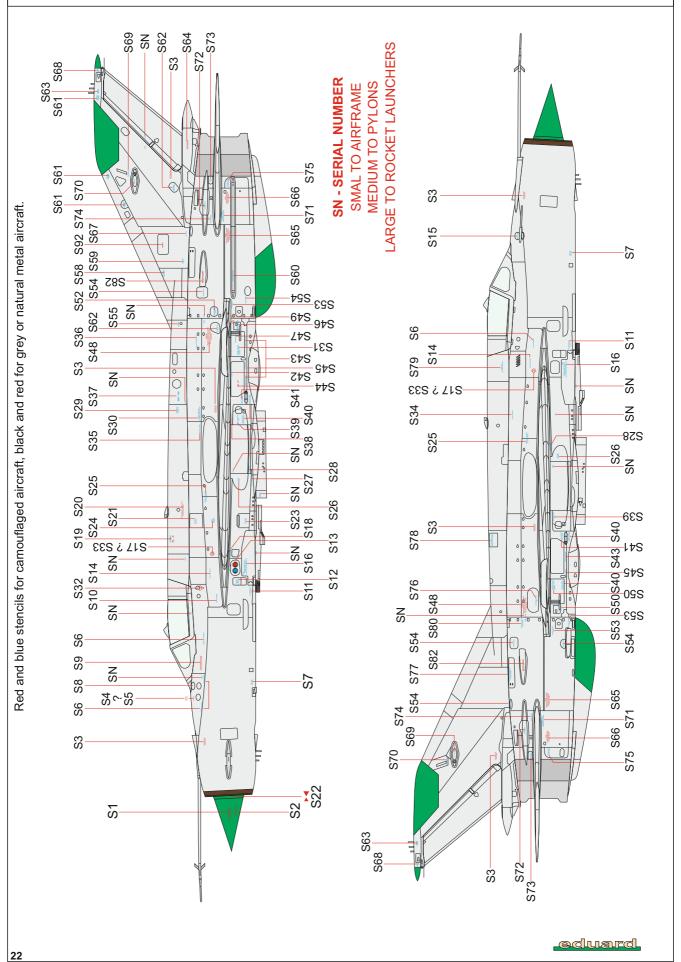












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