

GENERAL NOTES: the following colours are suggested for the general surfaces of cockpit interiors: matt night (black) for the Vampire and CF-100, matt medium grey for the Harrier GR5. Coamings under cockpit windscreen, and seat in Vampire, matt night, the latter with matt buff parachute packs and harnessing. The ejection seats in the CF-100 are Martin Baker Type 3 CFE, those in the Harrier GR5 Type 12H. The following colours are applicables: Type 3 CFE: seat, matt black; safety harness, blue; parachute harness, and and olive drab; surrival packs, yellow; cushions, black leather; back pads, tan; head rest pads, black. Type 12H seat: satin black overall; the simplified seat safety and parachute harnessing is primarily tan, with olive drab back pad; head rest pad black, cushion light olive drab, leg restraints blue. If you wish to super detail internal areas, you will need to research further, instrument panel decals; paint a small area of thin plastic card light grey for the Harrier GR5 and black for the Vampire and CF-100; when dry, apply decals in normal manner and cut out panels and apply to kit. Interior surfaces of undercarriage beys and doors, undercarriage legs and wheels, insides of air brakes, flaps etc. for the Vampire and CF-100 — matt (aluminium) silver. Similar areas of the Harrier GR5 are gloss white, except inside faces of ventral air brake and forward retractable blast deflection door, which are satin medium grey-green.

The Vampire single-seaters, alongside the Meteor single-seaters, formed the backbone of the RAF's day fighter force in the late 1940s and early 1950s, and many were adorned with colourful unit markings from around 1950, when the re-introduction of the pre-war styles was allowed. In fact, many of the RAF squadrons added little more than a squadron badge on the nose, but invariably the RALVAF squadrons was in Operation 'Simba' in July 1959, when a force of four Canucks was deployed to Kamina in the Belgian Congo during the unrest there. Two C-119s supported this epic flighters. Their

aircraft. Of lighter appearance than traditional RAF dark green, the NATO IRR colour can appear very pale under some lighting conditions, as can the underside 'Litchen' green; perhaps the colours used reflect the compromise between the darker colours suited to a ground environment in RAF Germany and the paler greys used for air defence schemes. It is also interesting to note that, for the first time, aircraft come off the production line with German-language emergency and rescue markings already applied, which saves a lot of remarking when machines are deployed in and out of RAFG.

Application of decals: cut out each subject and wet backing in warm water for a few seconds to release decal; prolonged soaking may impair adhesion. Place item close to required position and slide decal off backing, gently pressing down with a soft damp cloth to remove excess moisture, and allow to dry. The thin tough varnish will allow the decal to 'bed down' on raised or sunken detail. We do not guarantee the successful use of specified decal application systems involving solvents etc., as these may not be compatible with the varnish coatings we use. Apart from standard varnish sealing coats before and after application if desired, no other steps are necessary or recommended.

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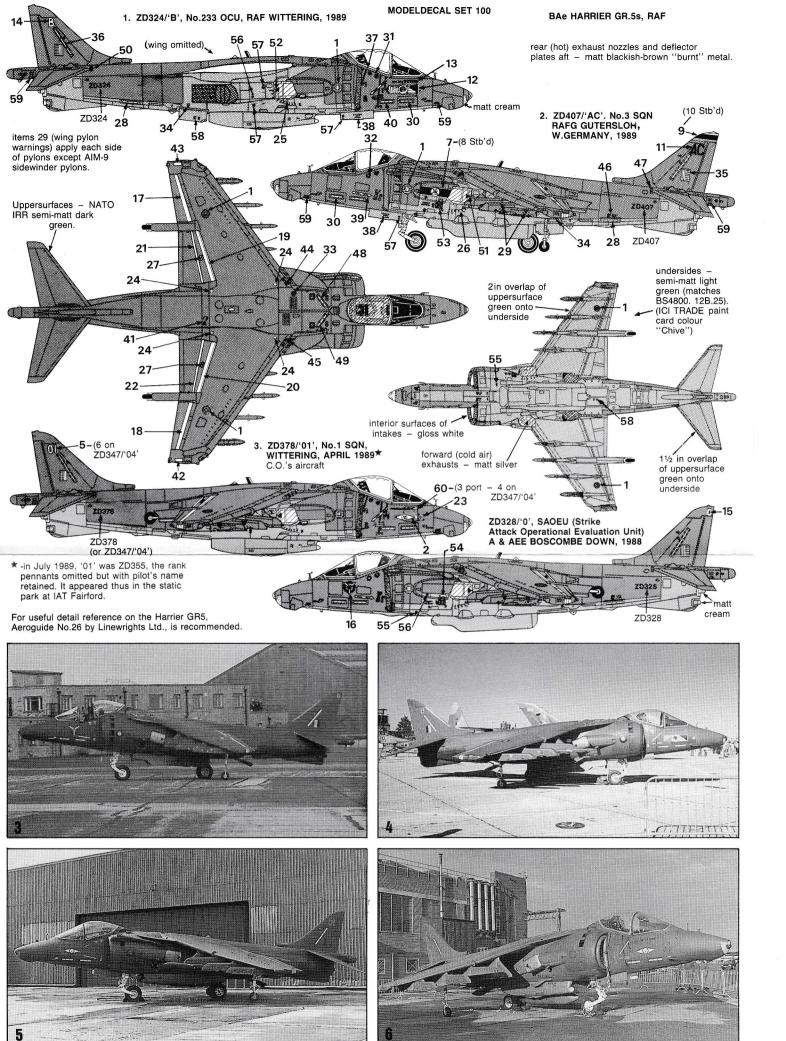
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No 11 Smaldeel displayed its small bat on-triangle emblem on the intakes of its CF-100s; it was the shortest ed of the three units operating the type, using them between January 1958 and November 1960. Photo: courtesy



No 349 Smaldeel had its CF-100s for over five years, from March 1958 to August 1963, and used three distinct presentations of its well known Goedendag emblem, the shield version on the nose being the first. Photo: courtesy R Binnemans.



3. Harrier GR5, ZD328/O' of the Boscombe Down based SAOEU, taxying at its home base 30/7/88; the nose emblem is similar, to, but not the same as, that carried by the Tornado F3s of the TOEU. Photo: M McEvoy. 4. The first GR5s to Wittering went to No 233 OCU, who applied their traditional nose emblems. ZD324/B' was statically displayed at the 1989 Mildenhall Air Fete in May. Photo: RLW. 5. On the 27 May 1989, the CO of No 1 Sqn. had 'his' ZD378/'01' statically displayed at Wittering for the benefit of the press; note the position of the rank pennant, (further aft than

on the starboard side.) Photo: P J Cooper. 6. Sister GR5, ZD347/'04', was statically displayed at Abingdon's Battle of Britain show, 15-16/9/89. Even a quick glance at the GR5 will reveal that it has several external differences to the AV-88, most noticeably the nose profile and addition of the AIM-9 Sidewinder wing pylons. Note the fitment of twin 25mm Aden cannon pods, the centreline store often comprising a baggage pod; the GR5 does not carry the GR3 recce pod. Photo: PJC



Sqn, note the angular style stencilled serials. Photo: via C Thomas. 15. Photos of 249 Sqn. Vampires are also rare, this one being FB9, WL612/'Y' in 1954. Photo: via R C B Ashworth. 16. 501 Sqn., RAuxAF, used this smart looking FB5, WA303/'D' in 1957. Photo: R Rayner via R Lindsay. 17. 601 Sqn., like most of the Auxiliaries, tended to be more flamboyant with markings, as seen on F3, VT393/'G' and others in Malta, 1952. Photo: via R Montgomery. 18. This FB5, WA453/'A' served with 602 Sqn., its camouflage being somewhat unusual. Photo: W G White via R Lindsay. 19. 603 Sqn. used this FB5, WA432/'D' in 1955; note the FB9-style intake fairing on this and 602's WA453. Photo: P M Corbell via J D R Rawlings. 20. 604 Sqn. applied its colours on the nose, as seen on F3, VF321, in 1951. Photo: J G Johnson via R Lindsay. 21. 608 Sqn. carried a variety of markings the earlier style rear boom markings seen here on F3, VV691/'B'. 22. Later on, when equipped with camouflaged FB5s such as VZ178/'A', the boom markings changed in style and order of colours, white serial numbers also being unusual. Photos: via R Lindsay. (C) MODELDECAL