



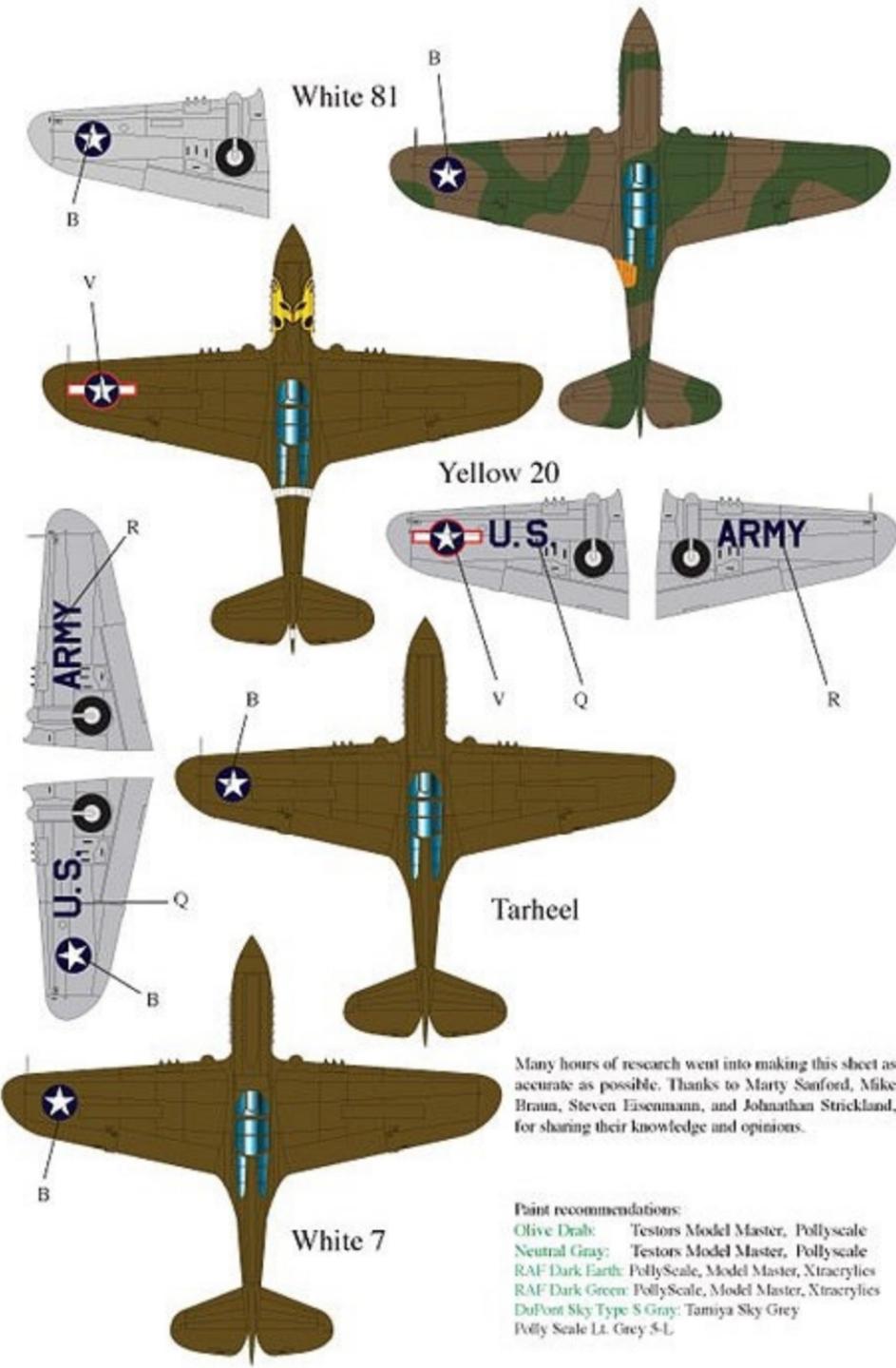
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P-40E WARHAWKS

Part 1



Suggested 1/48nd scale kit:
Hasegawa P-40E.



Many hours of research went into making this sheet as accurate as possible. Thanks to Marty Sanford, Mike Braum, Steven Eisenmann, and Jonathan Strickland, for sharing their knowledge and opinions.

Paint recommendations:

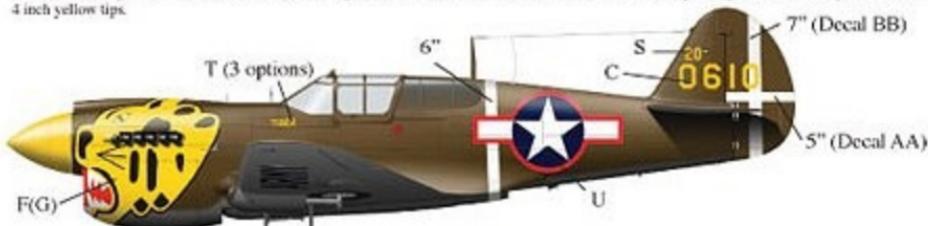
Olive Drab: Testors Model Master, Polyscale
 Neutral Gray: Testors Model Master, Polyscale
 RAF Dark Earth: PolyScale, Model Master, Xtracyclies
 RAF Dark Green: PolyScale, Model Master, Xtracyclies
 DuPont Sky Type S Grey: Tamiya Sky Grey
 Polly Scale Lt. Grey S-L.

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Curtiss P-40E Warhawk "Skeeter" White 81
9th FS, 49th FG, USAAF Flown by 2nd Lt. John Landers
Based at Darwin, Australia, February, 1942

Landers scored the first 4 of his 14.5 total victories in this aircraft. Landers went on to fly P-51s in Europe; Big Beautiful Doll being his most well known aircraft. Skeeter is finished in the British Export colors of Dark Green Dark Earth camo with light blue-gray undersurfaces. Some state this aircraft was painted Olive Drab and Neutral Gray. Photos are inconclusive. DE or OD wheel hubs, depending on scheme. Props black with 4 inch yellow tips.



Curtiss P-40E Warhawk "Yellow 20"
343rd Fighter Group. Pilot unknown

Based in the Aleutian Chain, Alaska. Late Spring, 1943
The 343rd Fighter Group was activated 9/1942, and was a part of the XI Fighter Command. Jack Chennault, the son of General Claire Chennault, commanded the unit, which was nicknamed the "Aleutian Tigers" in his father's honor. Finished in very worn and matt Olive Drab and Neutral Gray, due to sandblasting effect of the abrasive volcanic dirt on the islands. Spinner is yellow. Prop blades black with 4" yellow tips. Red outlined stars and bars in all 4 positions. Name is a best guess only. Outer wheel hubs yellow.



Curtiss P-40E Warhawk "Tarheel" White 85
9th FS, 49th FG. Flown by 2nd Lieutenant George Freddy.
Based at Darwin, Australia, February, 1942.

Freddy was a new pilot when he flew this P-40E. He was nearly killed in White 85 during a training mission, when another Warhawk collided with him. Both aircraft crashed in flames. Freddy managed to bail out. He went on to fly P-51 Mustangs and became the highest scoring Mustang Ace of WWII. Tarheel is finished in somewhat worn matt Olive Drab and Neutral Gray, with a OD spinner, and NG or possibly white outer wheel hubs. Props black with 4 inch yellow tips.



Cutting a small slit where the under-nose wrap occurs may aid in application of the mouth decal.

Curtiss P-40E Warhawk
C.O. of 23rd Fighter Group. Flown by Colonel Robert L. Scott,
Kunming, China, Early October 1942.

On Sept 25, 1942, Col. Scott scored his 5th victory in this a/c, shooting down a Japanese fighter over Gia Lam, Hanoi. Scott nicknamed this aircraft "The Old Exterminator", but the name was not carried on the aircraft. White 7 was originally delivered to the AVG. The serial number was painted out, and no record of what it was seems to exist. This P-40E, finished in Olive Drab and Neutral Gray, was quite clean, and seems to be polished. Some claim the upper part of the sharkmouth was painted dark blue, but in-depth research indicates that it was black. Wheel hubs Neutral Gray. Spinner OD, but could be red, blue or yellow, as Scott changed it often to fool the enemy into thinking there were more aircraft.