



EagleCals #46

Messerschmitt Bf 109 G-14s JG 5, JG 5, JG 52, JG 53

A note about radio antenna masts: The antenna mast was fitted to the fuselage behind the Erla Haube canopy on retrofitted aircraft (G-6s). Another style that was used and ultimately fitted on G-10s and K-4s was attaching the wire to the fuselage behind the Erla Haube canopy without an antenna mast. Aircraft that had the antenna mast attached to the top of the Erla Haube canopy had a unique problem-there had to be slack in the antenna wire to allow the canopy to be opened. As a result, when the canopy was closed, there was considerable slack in the antenna wire. For an example, see photos of Ewald's "White 7".

For accurate color reference we recommend the Luftwaffe Color Chart published by Eagle Editions Ltd. featuring paint chips prepared by Warnecke and Böhm available from your local hobby shop or Eagle Editions Ltd.

Resin EagleParts for the Bf 109: EP#20-32 Corrected spinner for the Hasegawa "G" series

EP#21-32 Corrected drop tank for the Hasegawa "G" series

EP#22-32 Battery Box for G-6 and G-14

EP#23-32 Corrected ETC rack for drop tanks

Bf 109 G-14 7./JG 3

Early 1945 Northeast, Germany

Features are; Short antenna mast attached to Erla-Hauba canopy with sagging antenna wire. DF loop intact; battery box in cockpit, tall tail with trim tabs, Panzer glass headrest, small wheel bumps on upper wing, ETC rack and drop tank.

Colors: Undersurfaces; 76 Light Blue, Uppersurfaces 75 Gray-Violet/ 74 Gray Green. Note mottling on forward part of undercowl.

Note position of White fuselage band.
II. Gruppe Black bar over most of White band, see profile.

Spinner: Black with White spiral. Prop blades: RLM 70 Black-Green.

National Markings: 900 mm Black and White fuselage crosses, Black/White Hakenkreuz

Wings; upper 1000 mm White outline crosses, lower 900 mm Black/White outline cross (provisional).

Stencilling: Factory Standard

Reference: Prien, Jochen; Stemmer, Gerhard: IL/JG 3, Pages 380, 381, 382, 383.

"White 7" Bf 109 G-14 W. Nr. 51???? Lt. Heinz Ewald 7./JG 52 Fall 1944 Veszprem, Hungary

Features include: Short antenna mast on Erla-Hauba canopy, slack antenna wire, DF loop, FuG 25 a and FuG 16zy antennas all intact. Battery box in cockpit, short tail, Panzer glass headrest and ETC rack with drop tank.

Colors: Undersurfaces: 76 Light Blue, Uppersurfaces 75 Gray-Violet/ 74 Gray-Green, Yellow band at rear of fuselage.

Spinner: Black with White spiral. Prop blades: RLM 70 Black-Green

7. Staffel badge port side only. C 3 Octane triangle port side, MW 50 triangle starboard side. National Markings: 900 mm RLM 74/White with thin outline of RLM 74 fuselage crosses, shifted slightly to the rear;

Black/White Hakenkreuz

Wings; upper 1000 mm White outline crosses; lower 900 mm Black/White with Black outline crosses

Stencilling: Factory Standard

Reference: Photos printed on instructions from private collection

Bf 109 G-14 15/JG 5 May 1945

Werknummer unknown. Pilot unknown. Features include Tall tail with trim tabs, Erla-Hauba canopy with Panzer glass headrest, No antenna mast, antenna wire attaches to the fuselage behind canopy. DF loop intact, FuG 25 a and FuG zy not visible. ETC rack with drop tank; small upper wing bulges.

Colors: Undersurfaces; 76 Light Blue, Uppersurfaces 75 Gray-Violet/ 74 Gray Green. Black/Yellow RV bands;

Spinner: Black with wide White spiral. Prop blades: RLM 70 Black-Green. Note "Yellow 4" has unusual shape. Black and

White wave over RV bands.

National Markings: 900 mm Gray RLM 74 fuselage crosses: Black/White Hakenkreuz

Wings; upper 1000 mm White outline crosses, lower 900 mm White/Black crosses provisional

Stencilling: Factory Standard

Reference: Urbanke, Axel. Luftwaffe im Focus, page 8. Distributed by Eagle Editions Ltd.

"White 5" Bf 109 G-14 W. Nr. 782192 1./JG 53 May 1945 Bad Aibling, Germany

Colors: Undersurfaces; 76 Light Blue, Uppersurfaces 75 Gray-Violet/ 74 Gray Green, Yellow fuselage and possibly a Yellow cowl band. Spinner appears to be White with Black spiral. Prop blades RLM 70 Black-Green. Antenna wire attaches to fuselage behind

National Markings: 900 mm Gray RLM 74 fuselage crosses, lower portion over painted (see photo); Black/White Hakenkreuz

Wings; upper 1000 mm White outline crosses, lower 900 mm White/Black crosses provisional

Stencilling: Factory standard.

Reference: Photo courtesy Steve Sheflin.