

Yakovlev Yak 40

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The Yakovlev Yak-40 (NATO reporting name: Codling) is a small, three-engined airliner that is often called the first regional jet transport aircraft. It was introduced in September 1968 with Aeroflot. The first of five prototypes (SSSR-1966) was first flown on 21 October 1966 by Yakovlev test pilots A I Kolossov and Yu B Petrov. Passenger service began on 30 September 1968. By the time production ended in 1981 the factory at Saratov had produced 1,011 aircraft. A total of 130 aircraft were exported to Afghanistan, Angola, Bulgaria, Cambodia, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Laos, Madagascar, Poland, Syria, Vietnam, Yugoslavia and Zambia.









