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II./JG 4 (Sturm) Fw 190s

Fighter General Adolf Galland had grudgingly allowed Major von Kornatzki to form a Staffel of volunteer pilots to aggressively attack the ever-increasing daylight bomber force, even as a last result, Ram! Sturmstaffel I was organized and flew special Fw 190s with combinations of 5 mm armored panels attached to the fuselage sides. Additional 30 mm armored glass panels on the windscreen quarter panels and metal framed glass panels attached to the canopy (Scheuklappen Blinkers) were also used in various combinations. In an effort to counteract the additional heavy weight, the front fuselage mounted machine guns were deleted and sometimes the outboard cannons were also removed. These heavy, unwieldy machines were called "Sturmbock" named after the Ram, After moderate success with Sturmstaffel I, Major von Kornatzki left and organized a complete Gruppe, IL/JG 4 (Sturm). He brought with him the Black/White/Black fuselage bands that he had utilized on the Fw 190s of Sturmstaffel I. The original Sturmstaffel I merged into IV/JG Udet and Major Moritz became its leader. IL/JG 300 also became a Sturm unit.

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Rodeike, Peter: Focke-Wulf Jagdflugzeug Fw 190 A, Fw 190 Dora, Ta 152, Struve Druck, Germany 1998

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Recommended Kits: 1/48 Tamiya Fw F-8, converted to A-8 (several companies offer armor plate panels for the fuselage and canopy framing including the new CMK kit) or Trimaster A-8 Rammjäger; 1/72 Academy or Hasegawa Fw 190 A-8.

"White 16" Fw 190 A-8/R2 W.Nr. 681385 Ofhr. Franz Schaar 5/JG 4 (Sturm) September 1944 Location Unknown Three piece 5 mm Panzerplatten armor plate on fuselage sides but no armor glass on windscreen quarter panel or Scheuklappen Blinkers on canopy. Paint is heavily chipped. "Fratz III" name on side of fuselage. All antennas appear to be intact. The upper MG 131 machine guns deleted and gun troughs not faired over. Wooden VDM 9 propeller can be modified from D-9 kit propeller. JG 4 Knight's helmet on port side of engine cowling.

Colors: Undersurfaces: 76 Light Blue Uppersurfaces: 75 Gray-Violet/74 Gray-Green Black/White/Black RV bands Black exhaust area Spinner: Black/White spiral Prop Blades: 70 Black-Green Large fuselage access panel buttons or latches; Red.

National Markings: Fuselage; B3 800 mm Black/White crosses, H2a 480 mm Black Hakenkreuz with White outline.

Wings: Upper - B6 910 mm White outline crosses Lower - B3 900 mm Black/White crosses (provisional)

References: #1, page 49

"Blue 21" Fw 190 A-8/R2 W.Nr.? Maj. Gerhard Schroeder H./JG 4 (Sturm) Late 1944 Welzow Germany Maj. Schroeder became Gruppenkommandeur of H./JG 4 (Sturm) after the death of von Kornatzki. Unfortunately the reference photo was taken from a great distance therefore many details are provisional. Although somewhat marginal for a decal reference, it was felt this aircraft would make a colorful addition to this sheet. Panzerplatten 5 mm armor plate on fuselage sides and appears to have the additional Blinkers armor glass on canopy. JG 4 Knight's helmet emblem on port side of engine cowline.

Colors: Undersurfaces: 76 Light Blue Uppersurfaces: 75 Gray-Violet/74 Gray-Green

Black/White/Black RV bands Black exhaust area Spinner: Black/White spiral Prop Blades: 70 Black-Green
National Markings and Stencilling: See above, same as "White 16"

References: #1, page 34

"White 20" Fw 190 A-8/R2 W.Nr.? Uffz. Erich Keller 5./JG 4 (Sturm) 23 Dec 1944 Brackenheim Germany Panzerplatten 5 mm armor plate on fuselage sides, armored glass windscreen quarter panel. MG 131 machine guns deleted and gun troughs faired-over. Outboard 30 mm cannons also deleted. Wooden VDM 9 propeller can be modified from D-9 kit propeller. JG 4 Knight's helmet on port side of engine cowling, provisional.

Colors: Undersurfaces: 76 Light Blue Uppersurfaces: 75 Gray-Violet/74 Gray-Green Spinner: Black/White Spiral

Black/White/Black RV bands Black exhaust area Light area around flare-hole on fuselage side Prop Blades: 70 Black-Green
National Markings and Stencilling: See above, same as "White 16"

References: #1, page 110,111; #2 page 368

"Yellow 2" Fw 190 A-8/R2 W.Nr. 682296 Fw. Erich Güldenpfennig 7./JG 4 (Sturm) 1 Jan 1945 Malmedy Belgium Panzerplatten 5 mm armor plate on fusclage sides, no armored glass windscreen quarter panel; probably no Blinkers on canopy (provisional). MG 131 machine guns deleted, gun troughs possibly faired over; 30 mm outboard cannons appear to be deleted.

Colors: Undersurfaces: 76 Light Blue Uppersurfaces: 75 Gray-Violet/74 Gray-Green Extra mottling on engine cowling.

Black/White/Black RV bands Black exhaust area provisional Spinner: Black/White spiral Prop Blades: 70 Black-Green

National Markings and Stencilling: See above, same as "White 16" except for fuselage cross is B5 800 mm White outline filled with

References: #1, page 130,131