Remarks

This AirDOC decal set allows you to build nearly any USAF F-4 stationed in the Gulf region during the Desert Storm and subsequent operations in South West Asia, featuring the late style Hill Gray II camouflage. This set includes enough markings for several different aircraft.

Kit suggestions to build a correct RF-4 C

- 1. 1/72 scale modelers try to obtain the Hasegawa KA 7 RF-4 C kit.
- 2. 1/48 scale modelers use the Hasegawa F-4 J kit PT 6 and incorporate Paragon Design's resin nose conversion sets N°. 4887 early style (square) nose profile or N°. 4888 late style (round) nose profile. If you prefer a different conversion set: Black Box released their nose conversion set N°. 48052.
- 3. 1/32 scale modelers stick to Revell's RF-4 C kit. It needs some modification to the fin cap and engine intakes but the overall shape is OK and it is the only kit availabe in this scale.

Kit suggestions to build a correct F-4 G

- 1. 1/72 scale modelers try to obtain the Hasegawa KA 6 F-4 G kit.
- 2. 1/48 scale modelers use the Hasegawa F-4 G kit PT 4.
- 3. 1/32 scale modelers use the Revell/ Monogram F-4 E model as basic kit and convert it with Cutting Edge's F-4 G conversion set.

Decal application:

To apply the decals cut each subject carefully from the backing paper. Do not cut away the excess film. Dip the decal for about 20 seconds into water and wait until it slides easily on the backing paper. Do not pull or push the decals before the adhesive has completely dissolved, otherwise it might be ruined. You may use a setting solution but this is not necessary. After the decal is applied to the model's surface, wait several hours until it has set and dried propperly. Do Not Touch It Prior!! Depending on the surface's quality, a gloss varnish should be sprayed onto the model prior to the application of the decals so the clear excess film will disappear completely.

Happy Decaling!

In our oppinion the following update kits are a must have for the serious modeler:

Aires:

07072 1/72 F-4 E/G nozzles

07083 1/72 F-4 C/ D/ E/ G and RF-4 C wheel bays

04118 1/48 F-4 E/ G nozzles

04123 1/48 F-4 C/ D/ E/ G/ and RF-4 C wheel bays

Black Box:

48017 F-4 G cockpit set

48051 RF-4 B/ C/ E cockpit set

48052 RF-4 B/ C/ E nose conversion

Eduard photo etched sets:

N°. 72123 F-4 E

Nº. 48101 F-4 E and 48109 F-4 G Phantom II

True Details:

72006 F-4 C/D/E/G and RF-4 C bulged wheels

48043 F-4 C/D/E/G and RF-4 C bulged wheels

32003 F-4 C/D/E/G and RF-4 C bulged wheels

This set is for the experienced modeler only and should be kept out of reach of little children. Not suited for children under the age of 14!



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Gulf War Warriors - US F-4s in South West Asia



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72/48/32006 Gulf War Warriors -US F-4s in South West Asia 1. RF-4 C, 64-1044, 106th TRS, 117th TRW, Birmingham, Alabama, 1990

The 106th TRS, 117th TRW, started its involvement in the Gulf conflict with the deployment of six RF-4 Cs to Sheikh Isa, Bahrain, in mid 1990. Unfortunately this particular aircraft, 64-1044, was lost on 8 October, the same year, while being on an "Eager Light" training mission. Tragically the crew perished. The red stars on the fin were removed shortly prior its ferry flight to South West Asia.

D(D)

28a(28a) 11 18b 9a J(J) 26(26) B(B) KI(Kr)

2. RF-4 C, 65-0833, 106th TRS, 117th TRW, Sheikh Isa AB, Bahrain, 1991

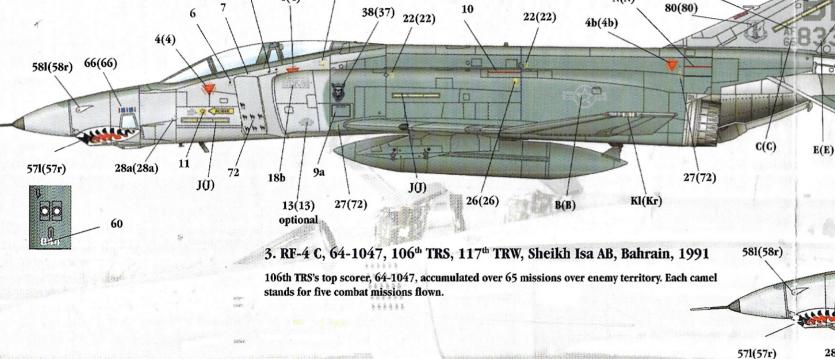
22(22)

D(D) 80(80)

D(D)

65-0833 was another bird of the 106th TRS in the Gulf region. Shortly after their arrival, all 117th TRW birds received their striking shark mouths.

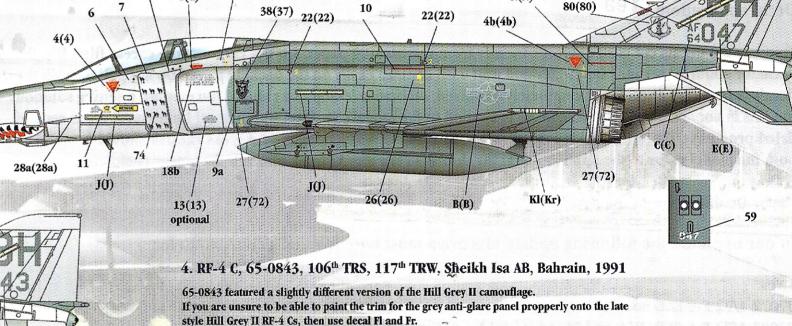
When applying the shark mouths, carefully cut away the part of decals 57l and 57r, which overlap the lower part of the side camera windows.



5 4(4) 8 38(37) 22(22) 10 22(22) 4b(4b) 80(80) 58l(58r) 57l(57r) 28a(28a) 11 J(J) 73 18b 9a J(J) 26(26) B(B) KI(Kr) optional optional optional cut serial number from 60+61

RF-4 C, 69-0382, 12th TRS, 67th TRW, Sheikh Isa, Bahrain, 1990
 69-0382 was one of six aircraft of the 12th TRS, 67th TRW, which deployed from Bergstrom AFB, Texas, to South West Asia.

The number in brackets behind the decal number e. g. 7(7) indicates the decal to be used on the other side of the aircraft.



paint fin cap red
41(41)

G(G)

A(4)

8

40(40)

22(22)

10

22(22)

4b(4b)

C(C)

E(E)

28a(28a)

11

18b

9a

27(72)

26(26)

optional

27(72)

KI(Kr)

B(B)

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*Paint the area underneath decal 531/53r white, with

the forward edge of the air intake being chromium.

6. RF-4C, 65-0886, 192th TRS, Nevada ANG, Sheikh Isa AB, Bahrain, 1990

The 192th TRS took over command of the recce force at Sheikh Isa in December 1990, brining along attrition jets both from their home base Reno, Nevada, and from the Mississipi ANG. Together with the Birmingham jets the ANG aircraft alone accumulated 412 combat missions. 65-0886 was one of the few original Reno Air Guard aircraft brought over to the Gulf.

22(22)

I(I)

27(72)

Kl(Kr)

C(C)

paint fin cap white

paint replacement

radom light gray

E(E)

Ll(Lr)

11

J(J)

optional

62(62)

80a(80a) 22a(22a) 22a(22a) 4d(4d) N(N) M? 28a(28a) 27a(72a) J(J) 13(13) paint fin cap white KI(Kr) 26a(26a) 27a(27a) B(B) 52l(52r)

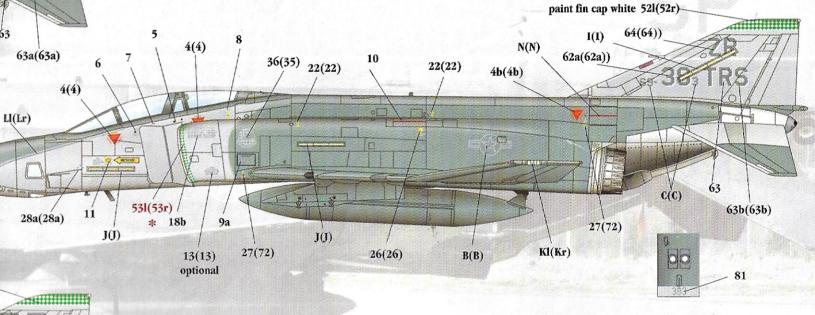
64(64)) 7. RF-4C, 69-0370, 38th TRS, Incirlik AB, Turkey, 1991

69-0370 was the CO bird of the 26 TRW. It kept its colors until the wing's deactivation in April 1991. Each Kodak marking on the splitter plate symbolizes 5 mission flown over enemy territory

*Paint the area underneath decal 531/53r white, with the forward edge of the air intake being chromium.

paint fin cap white

paint fin cap white 791(79r)



8. RF-4C, 69-0383, 38th TRS, Incirlik AB, Turkey, 1991

26(26)

36(35) 22(22)

27(72)

13(13)

53l(53r)

RF-4C, 69-0383 was the personal mount of Lt. Col. Lloyd "Pappy" Rowland, detachment and squadron commander of the 38th TRS in Incirlik, Turkey.

I(I) 36(35) ₂₂₍₂₂₎ D(D) 22(22) 28a(28a) 27(72) J(J) J(J) 26(26) 27(72) Kl(Kr) optional decal below 44 10. RF-4C, 71-0249, 38th TRS, , Zweibrücken AB, Germany 1991

9. RF-4 C, 69-0570, 38th TRS, 26th TRW, Incirlik AB, Turkey, 1991

Top scorer of the 26th TRW was RF-4C 69-0570 with 25 combat missions flown in enemy

If you are unsure to be able to paint the trim for the grey anti glare panel propperly onto the 26th TRW RF-4 Cs, then use decal Fl and Fr.

52l(52r) N(N) 36(35) ₂₂₍₂₂₎ 22(22) C(C) 18b 27(72) J(J) 26(26) B(B) Kl(Kr) 13(13)

71-0249 was selected to be replacement aircraft in case an RF-4C of the 38th TRS would have had any malfunction in Incirlik AB, Turkey, 1991. It actually never had to leave Zweibrücken.



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28a(28a)

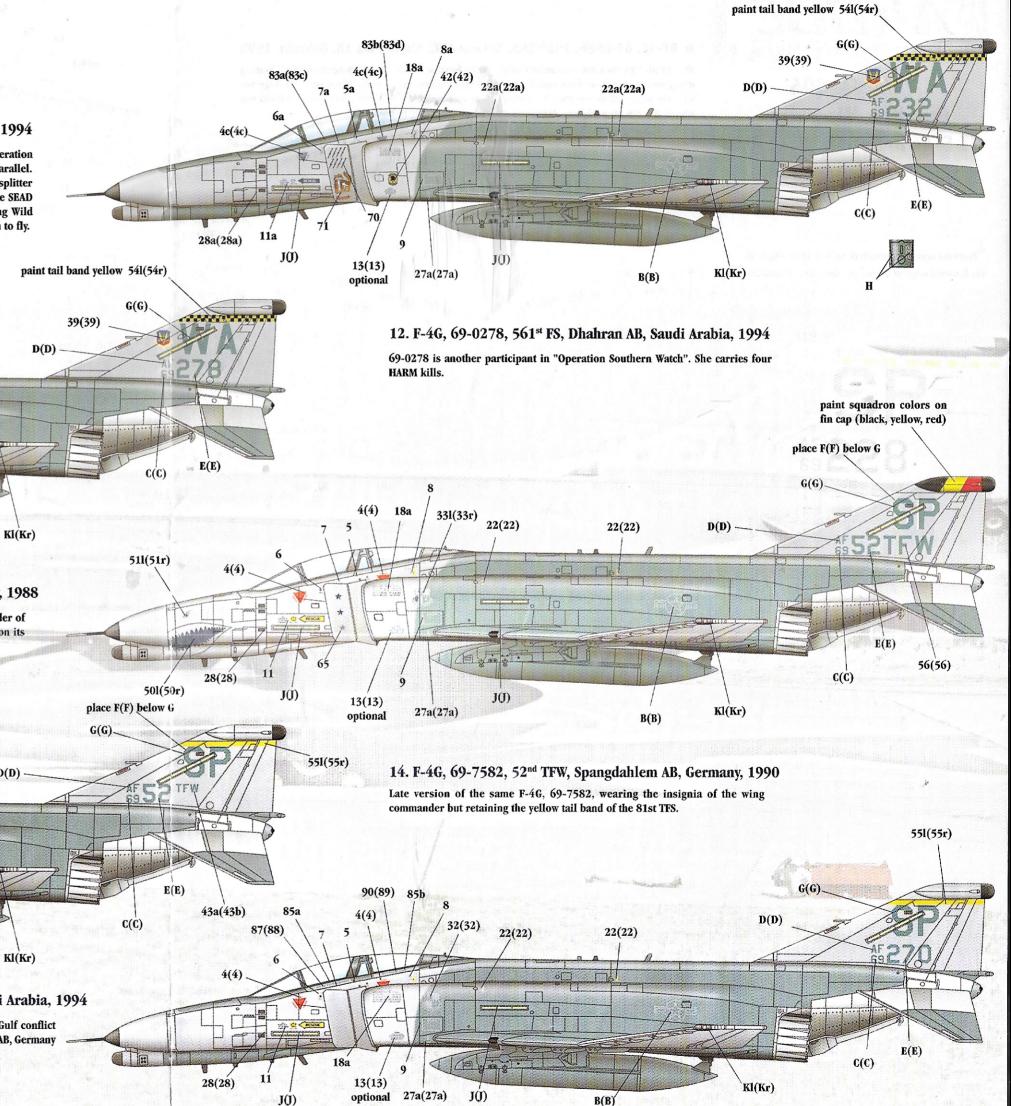
11. F-4G, 69-7232, 561st FS, Dhahran AB, Saudi Arabia, 1994

69-7232 was one of several F-4Gs of the 561st TFS which participated in "Operation Southern Watch", the vigil of air activity in Iraq airspace up to the 32nd parallel. Most aircraft returned home to the US with special markings applied to their splitter plates. This particular aircraft carries the abbreveation, famous within the SEAD community: YGBSM - "You gotta be shitting me!?!" - the outcry of a young Wild Weasel pilot in Vietnam, hearing for the first time about their new mission to fly.

22a(22a)

B(B)

22(22)



J(J)

13. F-4G, 69-7582, 52nd TFW, Spangdahlem AB, Germany, 1988

This aircraft was the "boss" bird, the personal mount of the wing commander of TFW 52 based at Spangdahlem, wearing the colors of all of its squadrons on its

51l(51r) 501(50r) J(J) J(J) 13(13) Kl(Kr) 27a(27a) optional

32(32)

22(22)

84b(84d)

13(13)

optional

42(42)

27a(27a)

22a(22a)

15. F-4G, 69-7270, 81st TFS, 52nd TFW, Dhahran AB, Saudi Arabia, 1994

This particular aircraft was amongst the final aircraft returning from the Gulf conflict and its subsequent operations. The 81st TFS returned home to Spangdahlem AB, Germany in February 1994 and converted to the A-10 shortly after that.