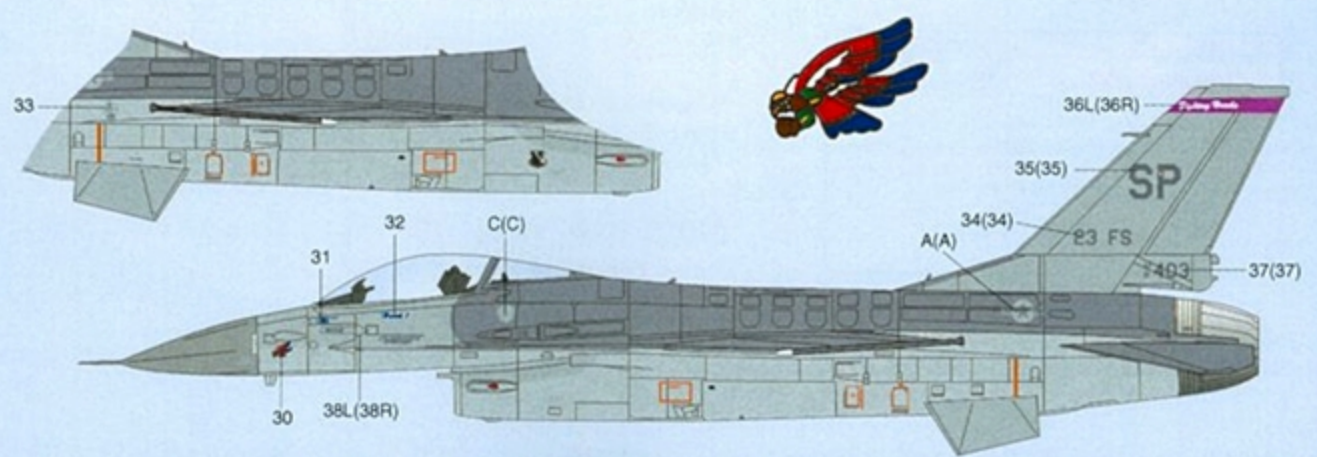
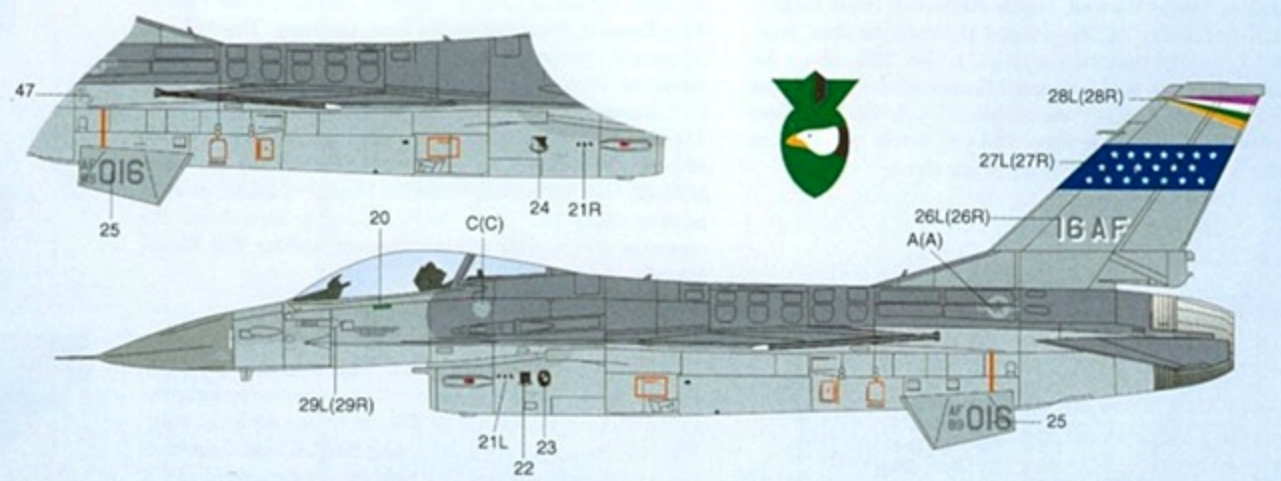
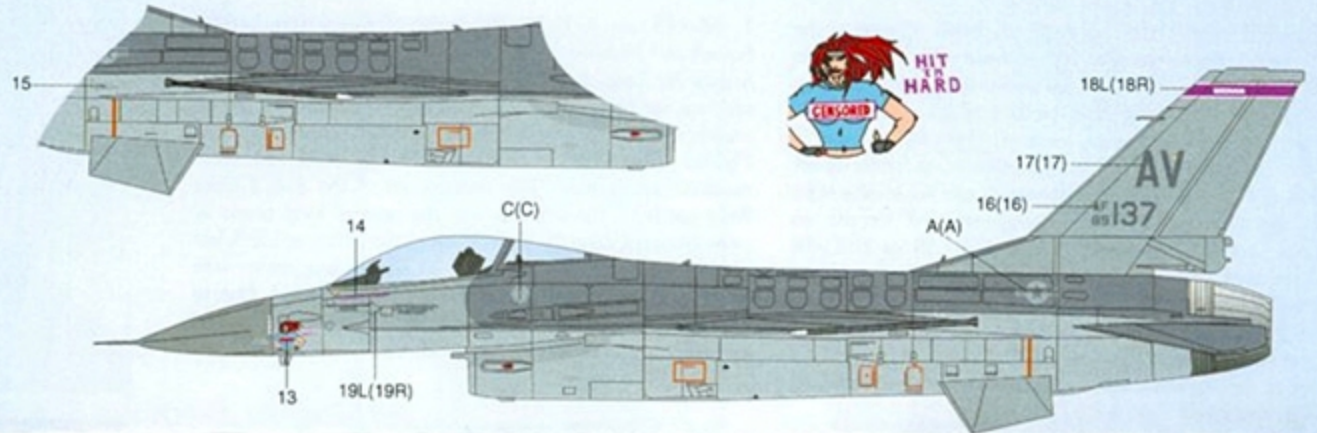
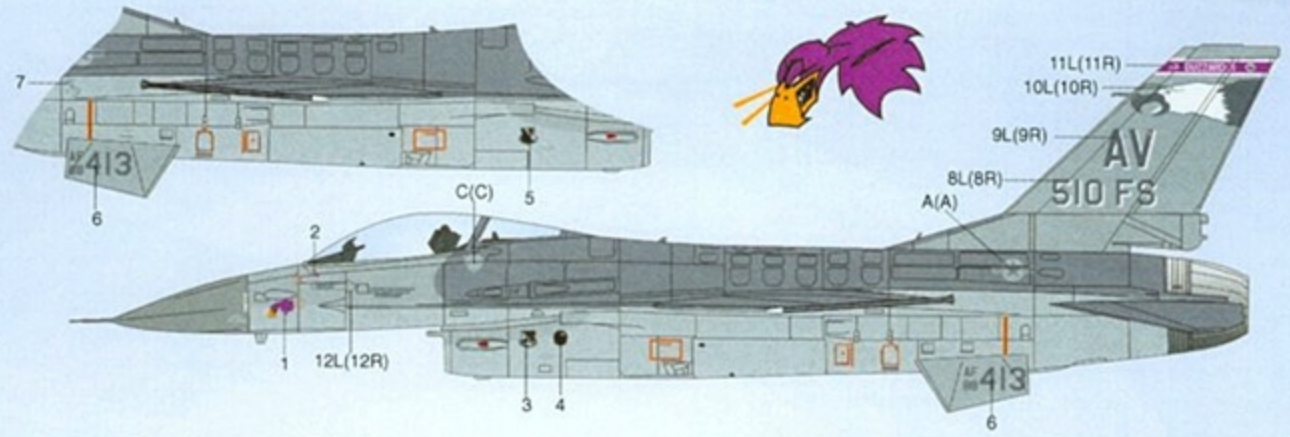


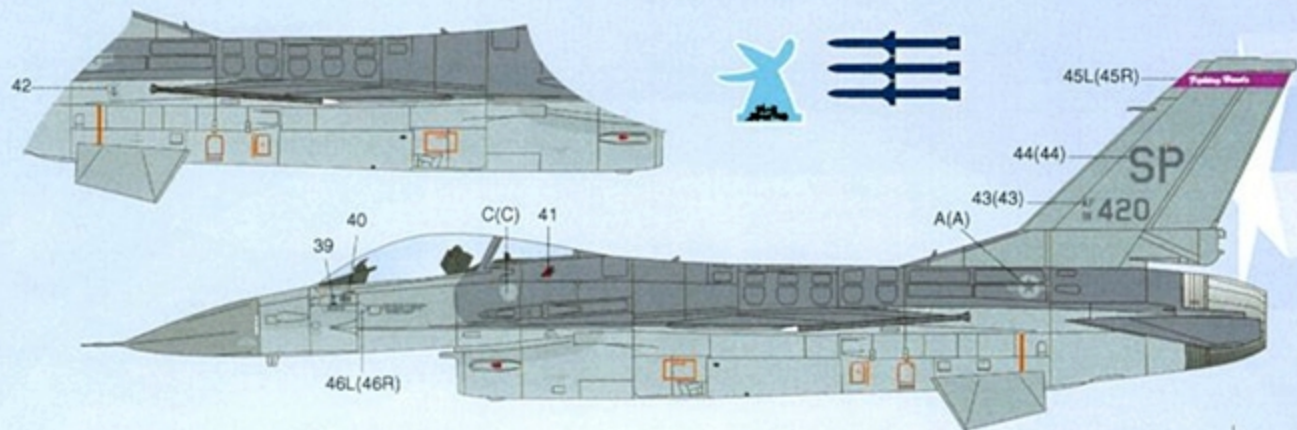
AeroMaster™ PRODUCTS

Kosova Falcons



Suggested Kit: Italeri F16C / Hasegawa F-16C





2. 89-137 "Hit em Hard", an F-16 CG Block 42 over of the 510th Fighter Squadron, 31st Expeditionary Air Wing, Aviano Air Base, Italy. This A/C was also adorned by Senior Airman Steve Getchel with pencil and his box of 64 color Crayola Crayons. Common ordnance loads on Buzzard jets were 2 AIM-120 AMRAAMs and 2 AIM-9M Sidewinders for air-to-air combat. A LANTIRN Targeting pod was carried on the right intake lip with no LANTIRN navigation pod carried on missions. Bomb loads varied from 2 GBU-10 or GBU-24 2000 lbs laser guided bombs, one on a side. Many missions used 4 GBU-12 1500 lbs laser guided bombs with 2 on each side or 2 GBU-12 laser guided bombs on one side and 2 LAU-131 rocket pods on the other. ALQ-131 ECM pods were carried on the centerline station. External tanks were standard for all Aviano based F-16 A/C.

1. 88-413, an F-16CG Block 42 of the 510th Fighter Squadron "Fighting Buzzards", 31st Expeditionary Air Wing, Aviano Air Base, Italy. This A/C was called "Buzzard One" and was the personal mount of the squadron commander. All names were taken off the jets for security reasons. The 31st Fighter Wing has a close relationship with the local communities in Italy. The emblem aft of the 31st Fighter Wing patch on the left side was the crest of local towns or cities around Aviano Air Base. Many of the 510th or 555th jets carried these emblems. The Buzzard noseart was drawn with pencil and crayon by Senior Airman Steve Getchel. Due to high rate of speed used in combat over Serbia, the Buzzard and other noseart required several fill-ins.

3. 89-016, an F-16CG Block 42 of the 555th Fighter Squadron "World Famous, Highly Respected Triple Nickel", 31st Expeditionary Air Wing, Based at Aviano Air Base, Italy. This A/C was the personal mount of Lt. Gen. Mike Short, the Combined Forces Air Component Commander (CFACC) for Operation Allied Force. It is maintained by the 555th Fighter Squadron at Aviano Air Base. This A/C would be armed in similar fashion to the 510th Buzzard jets above.

4. 91-403 "Hawk One", an F-16 CJ Block 52 Wild Weasel of the 23rd Fighter Squadron "Fighting Hawks", 52nd Fighter Wing Based at Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany. This A/C was temporarily assigned to the 31st Expeditionary Air Wing at Aviano Air Base, Italy. This was the personal A/C of the 23rd FS Commander. All names were removed for security reasons. The F-16CJ's were armed with 2 AIM-120 AMRAAMS and 2 AIM-9M Sidewinders for air-to-air combat. They carried 2 AGM-88 High Speed Anti-Radiation Missiles (HARM) on each mission. ALQ-131 ECM pods were also carried on the centerline station. This was the standard load for Wild Weasel Aircraft.

5. 91-420, an F-16CJ Block 52 Wild Weasel of the 23rd Fighter Squadron, 52nd Fighter Wing temporarily assigned to the 31st Expeditionary Air Wing at Aviano Air Base, Italy. This A/C has a Surface-to-Air (SAM) Site kill from Operation Northern Watch over Iraq (the light blue radar screen) and 3 SAM Site kills over Serbia (the blue HARM missiles). This A/C would be similarly armed as "Hawk One" on each of it's missions.



| AeroMaster Warbird Colors | | Enamels | |
|------------------------------|------------|---------|----------------|
| 9001 | Black | 9012 | Flat Clear |
| 9002 | White | 9013 | Semi-Gls Clr |
| 9003 | Yellow | 9014 | Gloss Clear |
| 9004 | Blue | 9050 | Gunship Gray |
| 9005 | Red | 9054 | Dk. Ghost Gray |
| 9010 | Tire Black | 9055 | Lt. Ghost Gray |
| 9011 | Glaze | | |

| AeroMaster Warbird Colors | | Acrylics | |
|------------------------------|--------------|----------|----------------|
| 1001 | Gloss Clear | 1014 | Red |
| 1002 | Semi-Gls Clr | 1015 | Blue |
| 1003 | Flat Clear | 1016 | Green |
| 1004 | Tire Black | 1057 | Gunship Gray |
| 1011 | Yellow | 1054 | Dk. Ghost Gray |
| 1012 | White | 1055 | Lt. Ghost Gray |
| 1013 | Black | | |

Suggested 1/48 Scale Kits:
 -Italeri F16C
 -Hasegawa F-16C

Our Thanks to Mark Hasara for all this information. He knows, he was there.

Stencils

for the F-16 can be obtained from AeroMaster's Decal sheet number 148-030.

References:

1. Over 400 Photos sent to us by Mark Hasara.

If you have suggestions for future subject matter, AeroMaster would like to hear from you. Our goal is to provide high quality, well researched decals of unusual and interesting subjects. We value our customers' input, so if you have specific suggestions or photographs of unusual subject matter which you would be willing to share, please contact us.