

## Eurofighter Typhoon RAF No. 1435 Flight Falklands

*For 1/32 scale: recommended kits Revell or Trumpeter*

*For 1/48 scale: recommended kit Revell*

*For 1/72 scale: recommended kit Revell or Hasegawa*

### HISTORY

The Eurofighter EF2000, named the Typhoon by the RAF, is an advanced multi-role combat aircraft with an impressive manoeuvrability for the air superiority role. Equipped with the latest generation of guided missiles, the Eurofighter can deploy several advanced weapons. It has a top speed of Mach 2.0+ with 2 Eurojet EJ200 engines with afterburner (90 kN each). Deliveries began at the end of 2003 and hundreds of aircraft are in service with the German Luftwaffe, British RAF, Italia, Spain.

The UK Royal Air Force deployed to the Falkland islands from 1989 first Phantoms FGR2 and from 1992 Tornado F3 operated by No. 1435 Flight. Based at RAF Mount Pleasant they provided air defence for the Falkland Islands, South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands.

Later followed from 2009 RAF Typhoons FGR4 block 8 assigned to No.1435 Flight. In flight refuelling was needed to transfer the jets to the South Atlantic. Later followed other Typhoons FGR4. The aircrew and groundcrew from the UK are cycled through, providing a 365-day, 24-hour alert.

### DECALS SYSTEM

The decal sheet has one continuous print film, so each decal needs to be cut out with fine scissors.

No other prior decal preparation is needed.

Each cut out decal can be applied as usual after soaking it a short while in water. Decals are VERY THIN, so slide off from the wet backing sheet on a horizontally held GLOSSY model surface. Do not even try to peel them off from the wetted paper with tweezers as they will fold!

Note that a decal that contains a white section is often split in two parts. To get the full decal marking, apply both. On the decals sheet you will often see an "arrow" to indicate this way of application (on white surfaces, the white section is optional).

After all decals have been applied, finish the model with your preferred final gloss, matt or semi-matt varnish coats. This will also protect all the decals.

### CAMOUFLAGE AND SCHEMES

The No. 1435 Flight Typhoons have the standard RAF scheme. RAF Typhoon colour is overall BS381c 626 Barley grey. Undercarriages are usually very light grey and the radar dome a bit darkened Barley grey "flint grey".

Several serials and codes are provided of No. 1435 Flight Typhoons FGR4:

ZJ950 that had Maltese Cross badge on the tail and no port upper nose IRST/FLIR fairing installed. The badge was probably removed later.

With the IRST/FLIR installed and "Hawk" tail badge:

ZK301 tail code red D  
ZJ949 tail code red H  
ZJ933 tail code white C  
ZJ941 tail code white D  
ZJ915 tail code white F

The Falkland Coat of Arms was sometimes also seen below the cockpit ("the sheep") and a small blue marking.

The RAF roundels, stencilling, maintenance markings and items like the low-visibility strips are preferably used from the model kit.

It is recommended to study books and internet. Finding photos is not that difficult on internet and books.

### MODELLING REPORTS

For modelling the Revell kit in 1/72 visit the website:

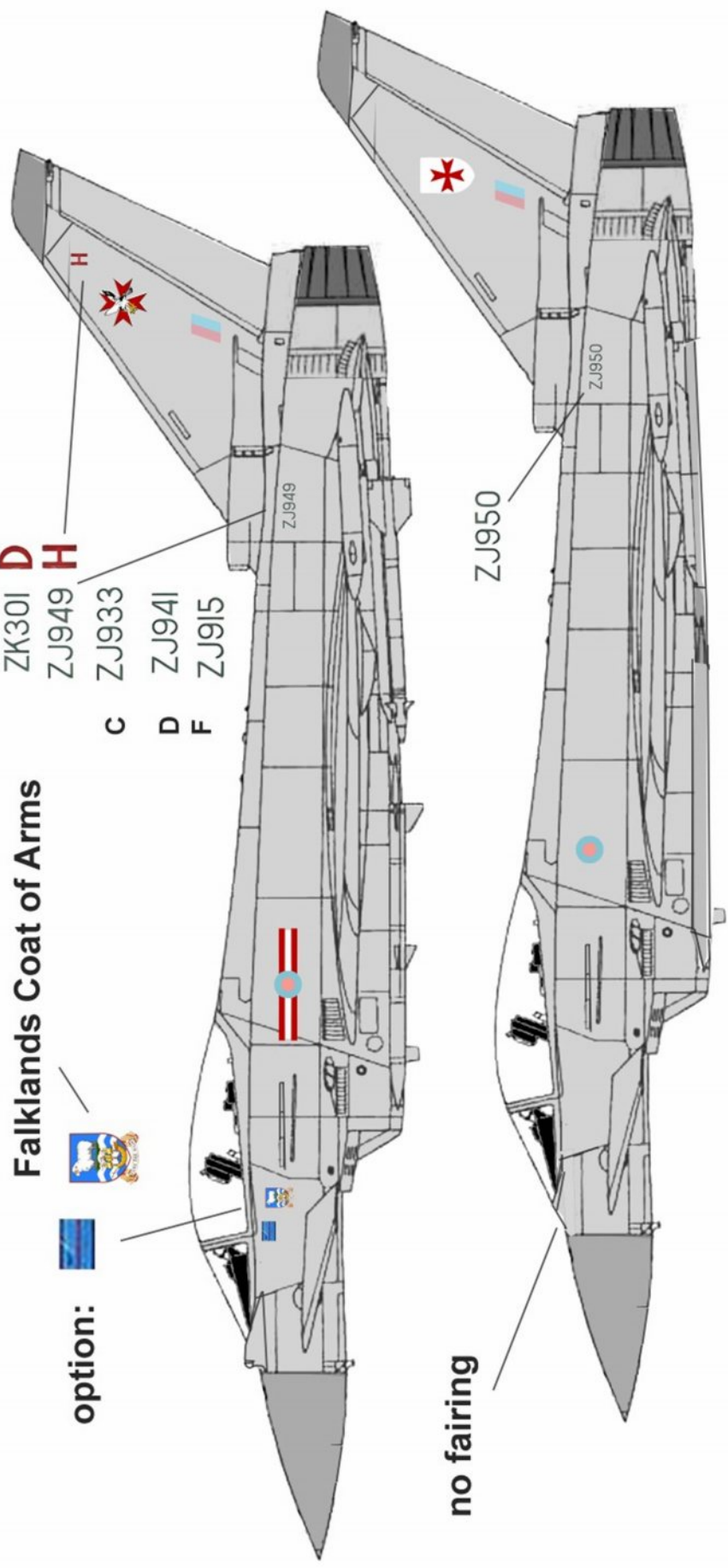
[www.aircraftinplastic.com](http://www.aircraftinplastic.com)

Also, modelling a 1/32 Revell kit in RAF scheme is [also described](#).

- ZK301 **D**
- ZJ949 **H**
- C ZJ933
- D ZJ941
- F ZJ915

**Falklands Coat of Arms**

option: 



no fairing

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