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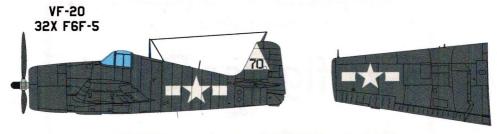


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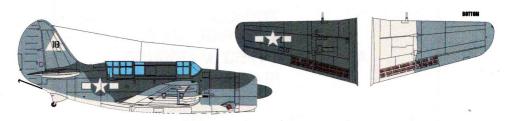
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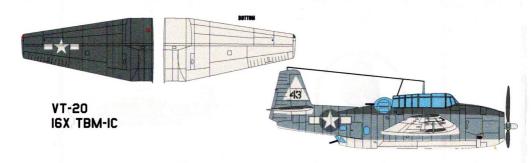


50" Fuselage Insignia 45" Wing Insignia

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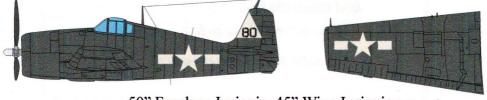


35" Fuselage Insignia 45" Wing Insignia



45" Fuselage Insignia 50" Wing Insignia

VFN-78 4X F6F-3N



50" Fuselage Insignia 45" Wing Insignia

Builders Notes

Air Group 20 16 August to 23 November 1944. Four Squadrons assigned. VF-20 was equipped with Brand New F6F-5 in overall Sea Blue. F6F-3N from VF(N)-78 provided defense against night intruders. VB-20 was equipped with SB2C-3s in the Tri-color scheme, like their VT stable mates, VT-20 flying TBF-1Cs. Air Group 20 adopted a White triangle with black plane numbers painted on the tails of each aircraft.

Air Group Night 90. Dec 1944-May 1945. Only two squadrons were assigned to the first Night Air Group deployed in the USN. Given some latitude by the USN to adopt their own "Geometric" aircraft markings, they adopted a forward arrow outline containing the plane number. VF(N)-90 was equipped with -5,-5N, and -5P Hellcats flown by experienced aviators painted overall Sea Blue. VT(N)-90 were equipped with TBM-3D, a dedicated night attack version of the Avenger. Paint scheme initially had the white underside, quickly repainted to black. Side numbers in some photos appear darkened, gray or black possibly.

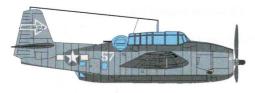
AIR GROUP NIGHT 90 USS ENTERPRISE CV-6 DEC 44 MAY 1945



VFN-90 F6F-5 F6F-5N F6F-5P



50" Fuselage Insignia 45" Wing Insignia



VTN-90 TBM-3D



35" Blue outline Fuselage insignia 40" wing. Black fuselage numbers appear in some photos







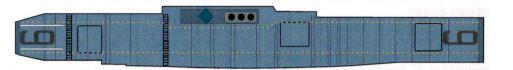


VF(N)-90



VT(N)-90





Decal Placement: The Dashed Stripes are for the flight deck edges. A narrow set goes down the Centerline. It has been suggested that they could be either Yellow or White. Modeler choice. Centerline stripe in some photos are solid in some photos. Check the photos of the cruise you want to replicate. Flight Deck Numbers appeared on the *Enterprise* around August 1944.

Starting in August 1944, the *Enterprise* was painted in Dazzle on her hull vertical surfaces. Ms 33 Design 4AB. Decks were Weather Deck 20. Flight Deck. Norfolk 250N Stain. By Dec 1944, she was sporting Measure 21, 5-N, 20-B and Flight Deck Stain again.

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