

BRIEF HISTORY

The Mirage F.1CG (G for Greece) served with the Hellenic Air Force (HAF) for many years, from August 1975 until the official withdrawal of the type on June 30, 2003. Forty aircraft were purchased from France, numbered 101-140. Two HAF Squadrons within the 114CW used Mirage F.1CGs, the 334 "Talos" (the Greek mythology robot) Squadron, and the 342 "Sparti" Squadron. The 334 Squadron had been formed in 1977 as part of the 114CW, but since 1989 operated with the 126 Battle Group in Crete. The Squadron was officially disbanded on July 21, 2000.

All HAF Mirage F.1CGs were painted in Intermedite Blue on top with silver undersurfaces. An interesting fact is that Greek island names were painted at the front fuselage under the cockpit (starboard side only), eg 103 SKYPOS, 104 KOS, 107 KEA, 115 LESBOS, 116 LHMNOS, 119 KASTELLOPIZO, 123 THNOS, 124 IKAPIA, 136 SANTOPINH, 139 SAMOTHRAKI, 140 KPHTH. Towards the end of their operational life, two aircraft (121 and 140) were painted in "Ghost" wrap-around camouflage scheme.

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DECALS APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

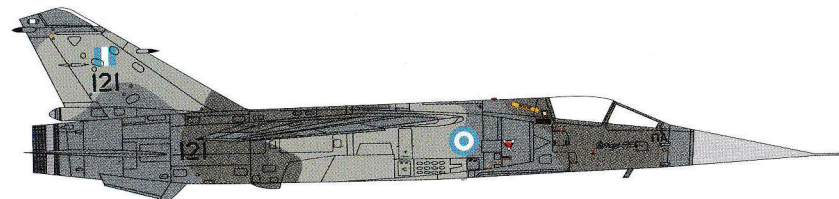
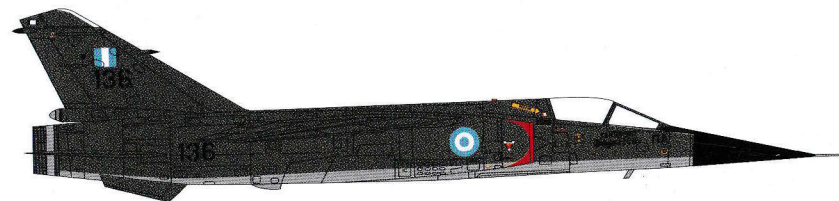
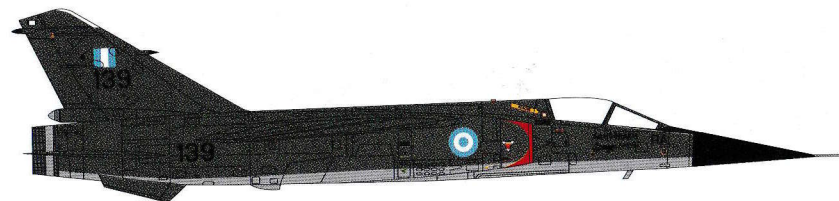
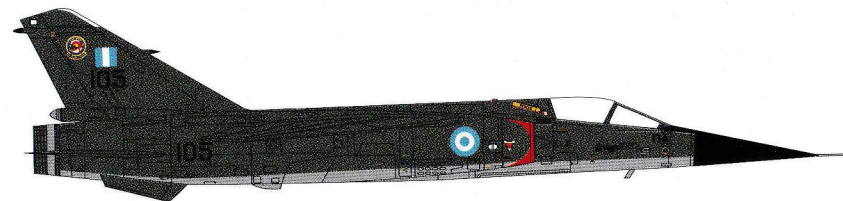
1. After painting, give your model a coat or two of your favorite gloss varnish and allow drying. Decals adhere better on glossy than on matte surfaces.
2. Cut one decal at a time. Start with the large ones (e.g. insignia) first, then move on to smaller, such as stencil data.
3. Dip the decal in lukewarm water for 15 seconds. Set it aside for approximately one minute, until it can easily slide on backing paper. Do not force decal to move before adhesive has dissolved, or you might tear the decal film.
4. Slide decal on model surface. To move it slightly, use a clean, wet brush. Setting solutions will help, but some might be too strong for some decals. Practice first on a decal you are not going to use.
5. When finished, let the decals dry for approximately 24 hours. Then, you may inspect them again for air bubbles or silvering. In this case, score the affected area with the tip of a hobby knife, apply a drop of setting solution and allow drying again overnight. When everything is in order, wash off the model with water to remove excessive decal glue.
6. Finally, apply some coats of varnish to seal the decals and give your model the desired finish.
7. A clear, well lighted area will ease your job. Be patient, take your time when working, and you will be rewarded with better models.



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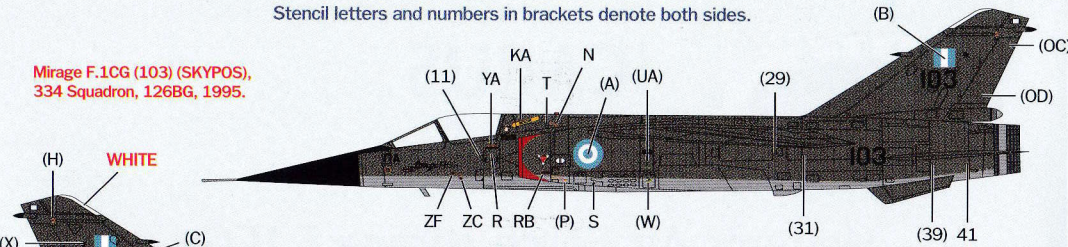
Hellenic Air Force Mirage F.1CGs



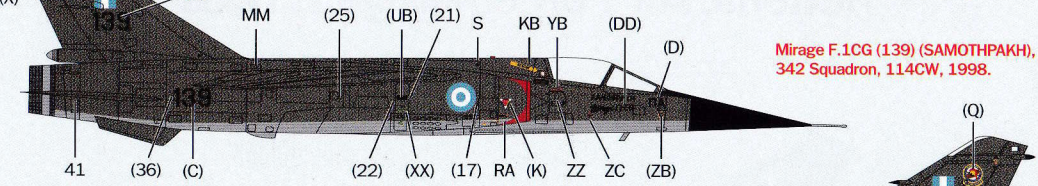
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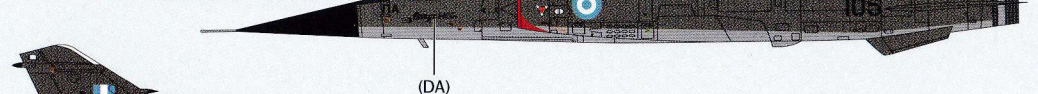
Mirage F.1CG (103) (SKYPOS),
334 Squadron, 126BG, 1995.



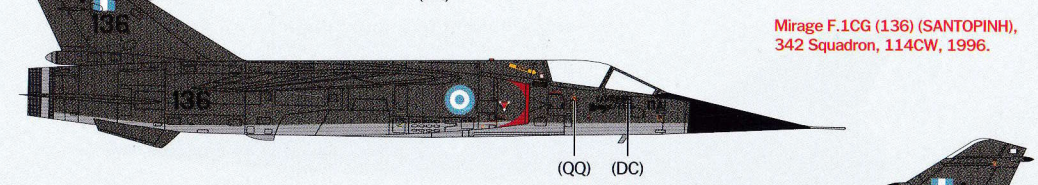
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342 Squadron, 114CW, 1998.



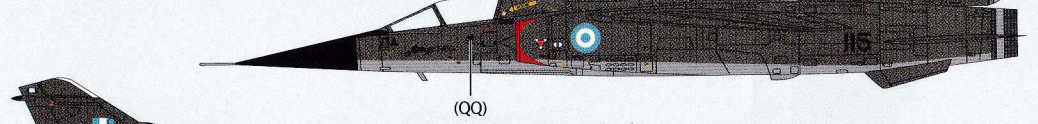
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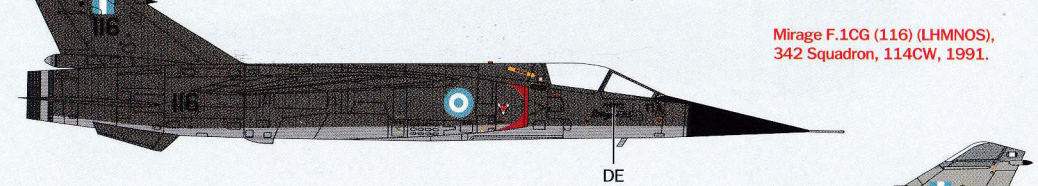
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342 Squadron, 114CW, 1996.



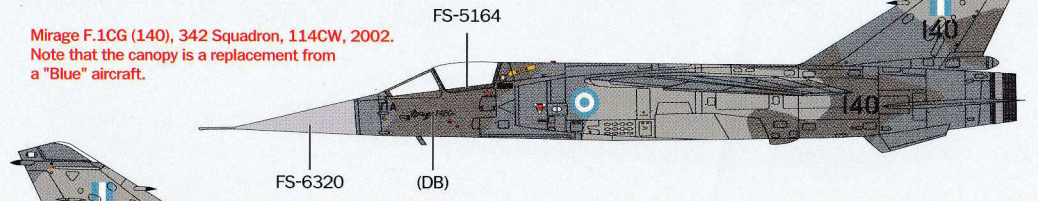
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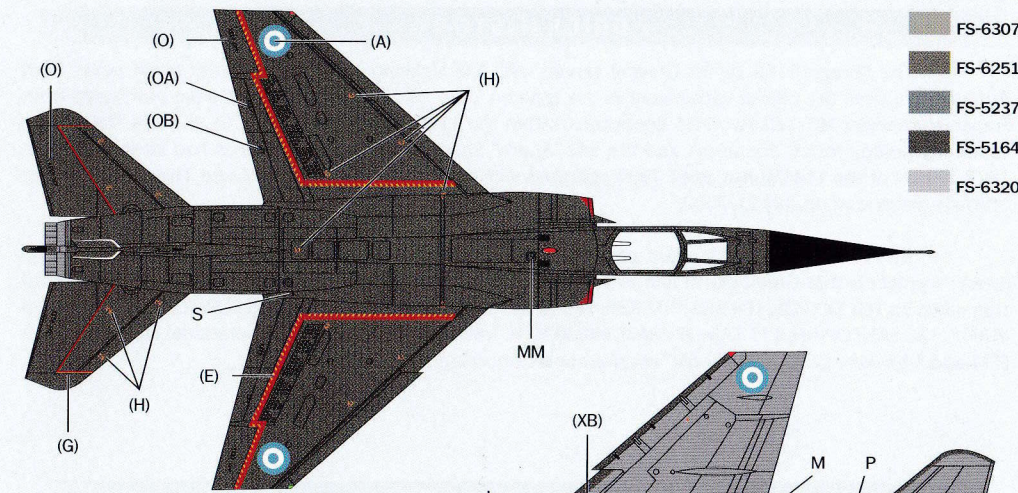
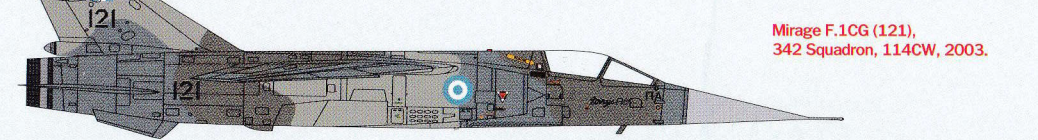
Mirage F.1CG (116) (LHMNOS),
342 Squadron, 114CW, 1991.



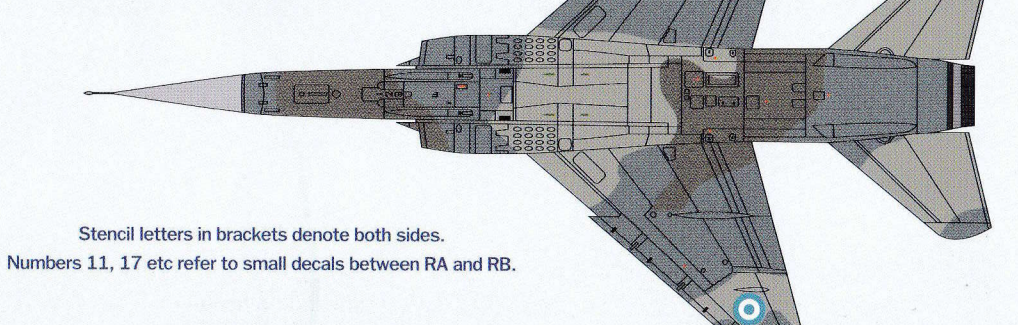
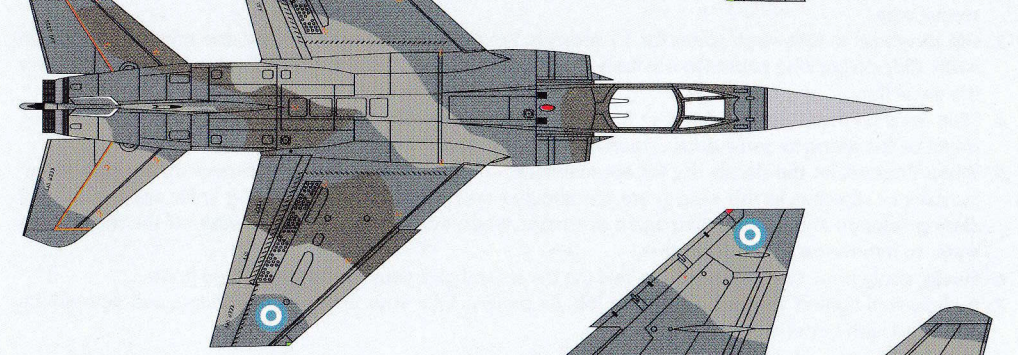
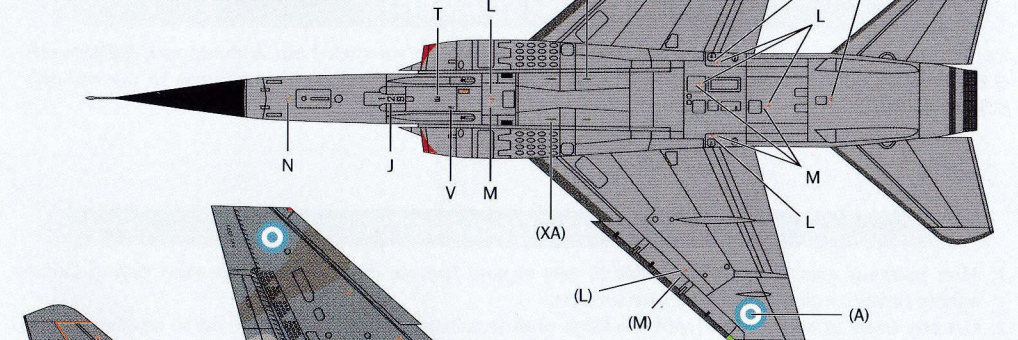
Mirage F.1CG (140), 342 Squadron, 114CW, 2002.
Note that the canopy is a replacement from
a "Blue" aircraft.



Mirage F.1CG (121),
342 Squadron, 114CW, 2003.



- FS-6307
- FS-6251
- FS-5237
- FS-5164
- FS-6320



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Numbers 11, 17 etc refer to small decals between RA and RB.