

Boeing F-15E USAF "Tiger meet of the Americas 2005"

The Boeing F-15E Strike Eagle is the attack/ strike version of the Boeing (/McDonnell Douglas F-15 Eagle).

MODEL KITS

In 1/72 scale good F-15E plastic model kits are: Academy of South Korea, Great Wall Hobby and Hasegawa and recently a brand new Revell kit. There are also older kits.

DECAL SYSTEM and APPLICATION

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 EXTREMELY THIN, so slide off from the wet backing sheet on a horizontally held GLOSSY model surface. Do not use tweezers! They will fold doubled!

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PAINT SCHEME 1

In 2005, the Tiger Meet of the Americas 2005 was at the Mountain Home air force base in Idaho, USA. This F-15E serialied 87-0173, tail code MO, flown by the USAF 389th Fighter Squadron of the 366th FW sported a special scheme with tiger markings. On the spine, a GUNFIGHTERS marking is seen.

NOTES: for large decals that are to be set on a dark model surface it is better to paint a white/light area underneath. For some decals, a white separate decal may be on a sheet instead; this is often indicated with an "arrow"; put the white underlying decal and than the other on top.

Some tiny white borders may appear at a particular decal. Cut these off with fine scissors or overpaint.

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.

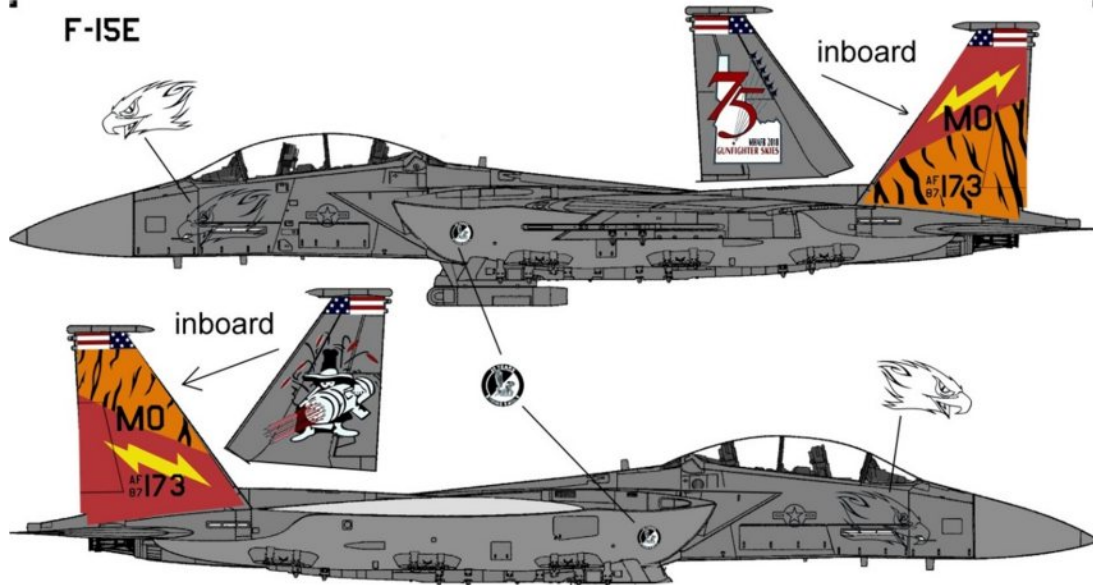
PAINTING AND DECALS

Decals are provided for the schemes described. The smaller stencilling like NO STEPS and others are to be used from the kit and are standard. The overall F-15E colour is Federal Standard FS 36118 dark grey. There are metal areas at the exhausts.

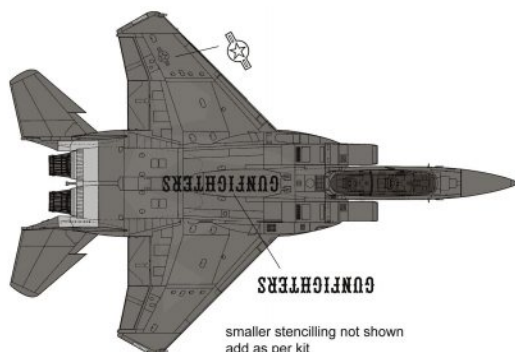
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Note the US flag stripes on inboard and outboard vertical tail surfaces.

For the outboard vertical tails the modeller gets the option to paint the colours and use separate decals. Or set the single large coloured decal, than put it on a light base tail surface.



smaller stencilling not shown
add as per kit



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(lower surfaces are standard)

PAINT SCHEME 2

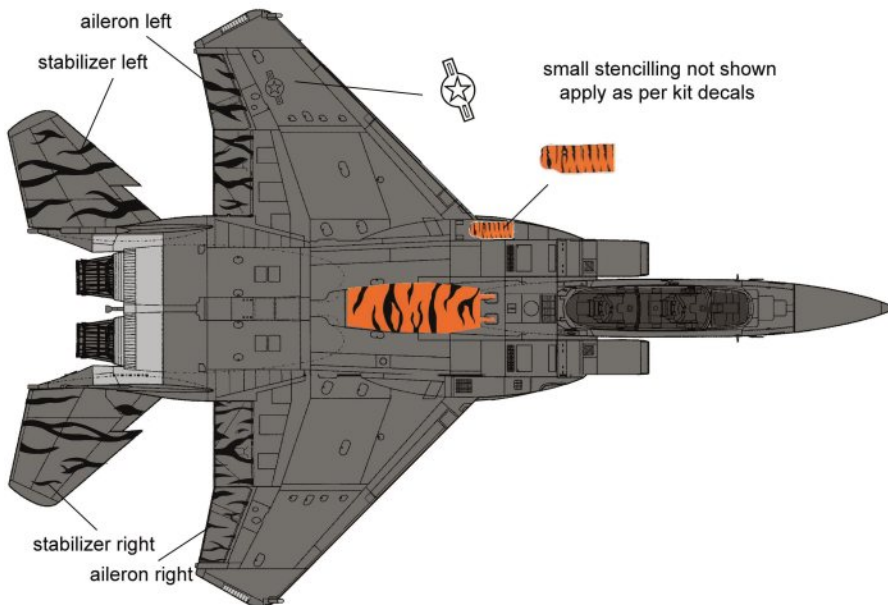
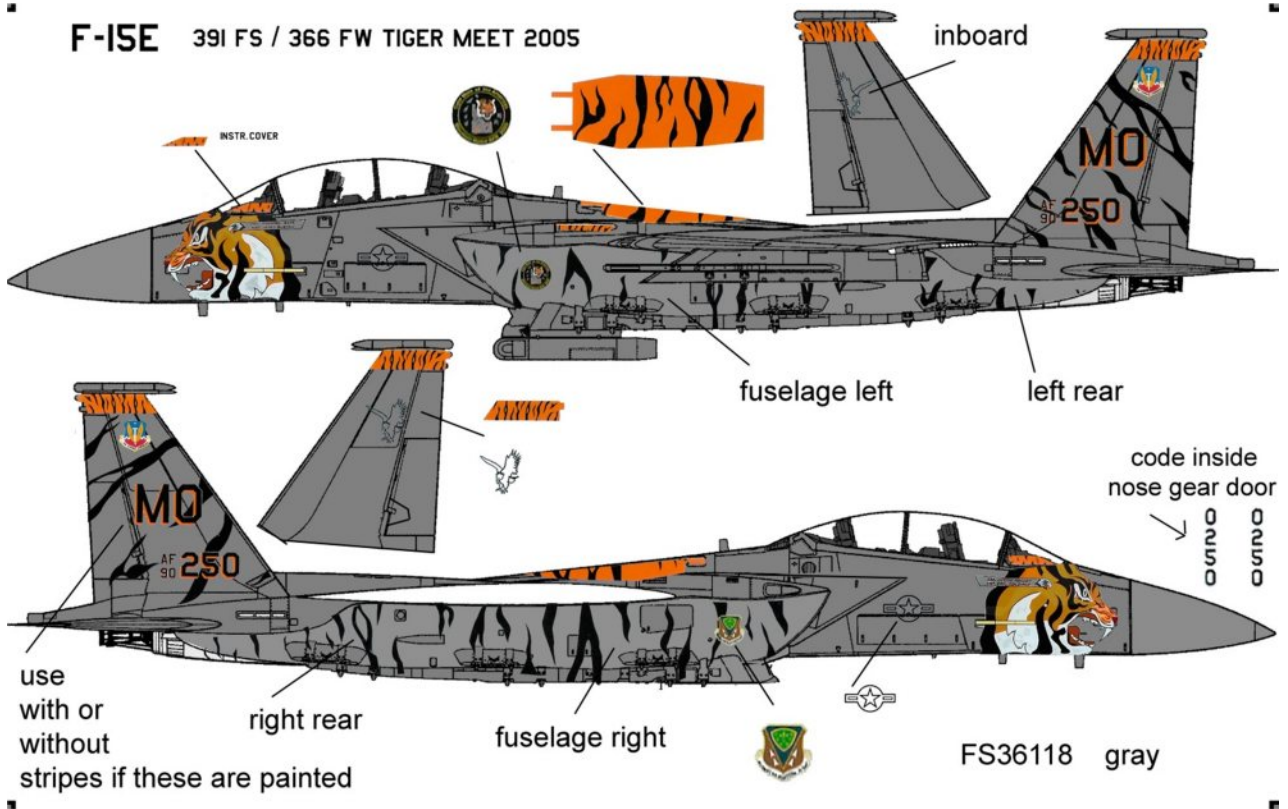
In 2005, the Tiger Meet of the Americas 2005 was at the Mountain Home air force base in Idaho, USA. This F-15E serialied 90-0250 tail code MO flown by the USAF 391th FS of the 366th FW sported a special Tiger scheme.

Note the eagle bird outlines at the inboard vertical tail surfaces and tiger stripes as well. Inside on the instrument panel cover, small tiger markings are set (so inside). Add before setting the windscreen.

The tiger head on the nose shows faded colours (as per decal). Apply these head decals after the windscreen has been set as part of the outside frame has also the tiger marking edges.

The various patterns with black stripes may be painted with a brush. The other option is (if supplied) to use the stripe decals indicated; these are better applied in sections on curved areas and fast pack pylons. It should work out.

The stencillings on the fast pack pylons are to be used from the kit.



lower surfaces are standard

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