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Fw 190 D-9's JG 54 Green Hearts & JG 26

Reference: Original photos published in GREEN HEARTS First in Combat with the Dora 9 by Axel Urbanke. For additional color reference consult profiles and more detailed descriptions published in this book. Some color information was taken from pilot's diaries and interviews plus actual crash site excavated parts. The book can be ordered from your local hobby shop, book dealer or from the publisher Eagle Editions Ltd.

"Brown 4" Fw 190 D-9 W. Nr. 500647 Pilot: Unknown 7/JG 26 (II. Gruppe) Date: April 1945 Hustedt Germany

Very rare machine, one of several known D-9's with Ta 152 metal vertical tail section. Color photo of W. Nr. 500645 is Green-Blue undersurface color. "Brown 4" on gear door crudely painted in non-standard pattern, similar to other 7. Staffel machines. "Brown 4" on fuselage is guesswork based on size, width and position of other Brown numbers from 7. Staffel. II. Gruppe bar narrower than '4'.

Colors: Undersurfaces; Fuselage, Green-Blue (color judgement partially based on color photos of W. Nr. 500645). Wing; Natural metal; Aileron; 76 Light Blue Possibly all 76 Light Blue. 75 Gray Violet overpainted leading edge to approximately half under wing including gear door

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(Note: Other D series aircraft similar - reference color photo of A-9's in Monogram Color Guide to German Aircraft, page 40, top.) Uppersurfaces: fuselage; 82 Bright Green, 83 Dark Green. Wing; thought to be 75 Gray Violet, 83 Dark Green. Overspray of 82 on

fin/rudder resulting in darker value. (Note: excavated "Black 8", D-9 was similarly painted.)

Spinner: Black/White spiral (similar 7. Staffel) Unusual 75 Gray Violet with Red/White stripped morane antenna

RVD bands: Black/White Latch buttons: Red ETC 504: Dark Gray

National Markings: Fuselage; B4 800 mm Black crosses, Hakenkreuz H3 420 mm.

Wings; Upper B6 910 mm White crosses, Lower - 900 mm solid Black crosses.

Stencilling: Not visable. Octane triangles probable.

Post war photo Flensburg Germany "Black 14" Fw 190 D-9 W. Nr. 211018 Pilot: Unknown Stab JG 26 Small bump on gun cowl.

Colors: Undersurfaces, Green-Blue, underwing partial natural metal. Uppersurfaces, 82 Bright Green, 83 Dark Green .

Spinner: Black/White spiral Prop blades: 70 Black Green Latch buttons: Red RVD bands: Black/White partially overpainted,

especially White. Stylized Black exhaust panel trimmed with Dirty White. Note angle changes toward rear.

National Markings: Fuselage; B4 800 mm Black crosses, Stab markings Black trimmed with White. Hakenkreuz H3 420 mm black.

Wings: Upper - B6 910 mm White crosses, Lower - B4 900 mm Black crosses.

Stencilling: Most stencilling visible; B4 Yellow octane triangle.

"Yellow 8" Fw 190 D-9 W. Nr. 600375 Pilot: Unknown 11./JG 26 (III. Gruppe) Date: April 1945 Celle Germany

This machine has been previouisly identified and published as 'Black 8'. Small bump on gun cowl.

Colors: Undersurfaces, 76 Light Blue. Uppersurfaces, 82 Bright Green, 83 Dark Green. Heavily spotted mottling 82/83 typical of 600 series. Spinner and Prop blades: 70 Black Green Latch buttons: Red Red/White morane antenna mast RVD bands: Black/White

National Markings: Fuselage; Typical 600 series small 600 mm Black/White crosses, Hakenkreuz H3 420 mm.

Wings; Upper - B6 910 mm White crosses, Lower - 900 mm solid Black crosses

Stencilling: Some stencilling. B4 octane on Port side.

"Brown 16" Fw 190 D-9 W. Nr. Not known Pilot: Unknown 7./JG 26 (II. Gruppe) Date: Feb/March 1945 Location unknown Early canopy and gun cowl with bulge.

Colors: Undersurfaces, 76 Light Blue. Uppersurfaces, 82 Bright Green, 83 Dark Green, Mottling 82/83

Spinner: Black/White spiral - typical 7. Staffel Prop blades: 70 Black Green RVD bands: Black/White

Latch buttons: Red ETC 504: Dark Gray Black exhaust panel

National Markings: Fuselage; B4 800 mm Black crosses, Hakenkreuz H3 420 mm

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Wings; Upper - B6 910 mm White crosses, Lower - B4 900 mm Black crosses.

Stencilling: Minimal. Keine Bombe! on cigar type drop tank.

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