

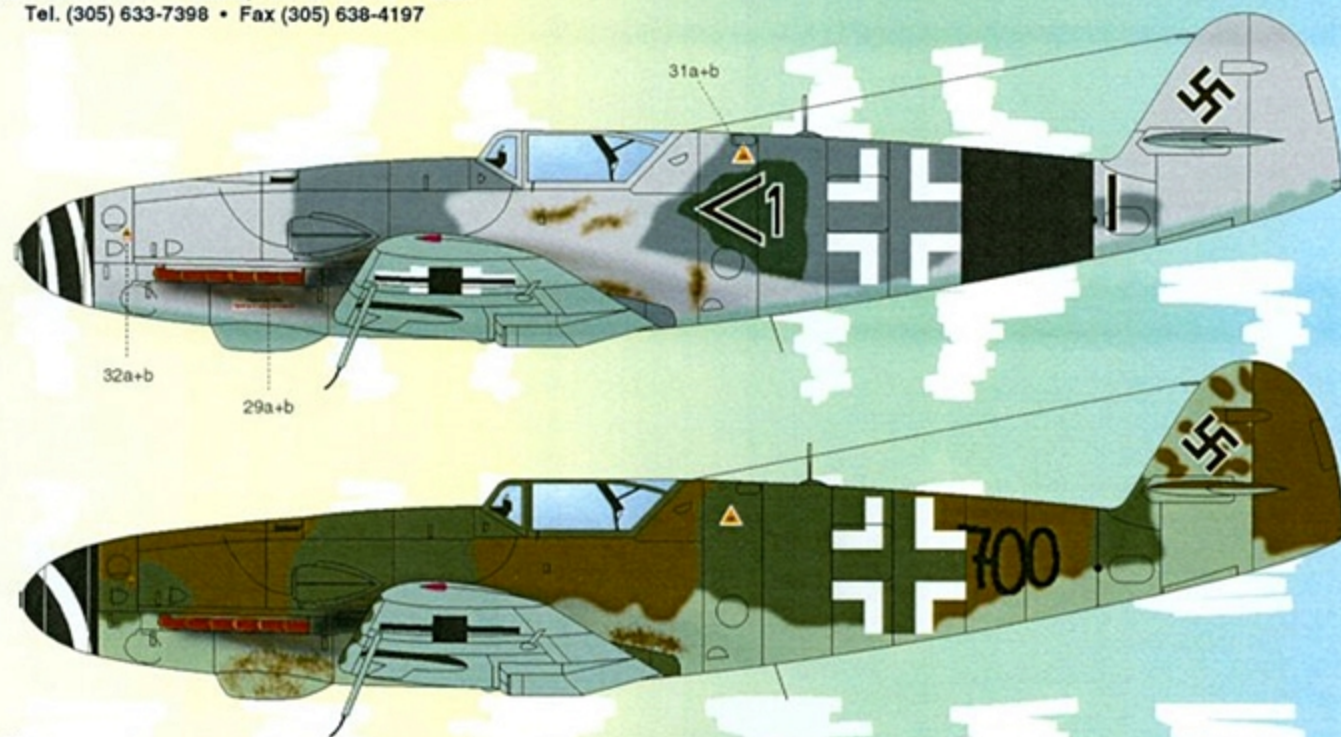
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Modellers Note

An intriguing A/C, the K4 seems to have been mostly photographed in scrap yards or as cannibalized A/C in occupied and captured airfields. One of the best books on the A/C is our number one reference, Messerschmitt Bf109K by Japo. Highly recommended. Since a definite color order has not been accepted for the Luftwaffe in WWII, and to avoid further confusion, we have used the order followed by our paint line, where RLM 81 is Braunviolett, RLM 82 is Dark Green, and RLM 83 is Medium Green. Right or wrong, this is how we designate these colors. There was never a RLM 84 issued by the Air Ministry, but we have used this number to designate the mysterious Gray Green found on the later fighter A/C of the Luftwaffe. Some of these K4 A/C had the "saw tooth" wing leading edge pattern, for which a master has been provided. Carefully transfer it to tape, trim and use as a masking template. We are only suggesting a known K-4 upper surfaces pattern, however, we know that many others existed, but are not aware of specifics.

A/C#1 • Bf 109K-4 of III/JG 53, Kaufberen, April 1945. A/C was belly landed by Lt. Ernst-Dieter Bernhard on 19 April, 1945. A/C seems to have been camouflaged in RLM 75/77 with RLM 76 lower surfaces. RLM 77 was a color used when any other of the upper surface colors was not available. Black spinner with White spiral. An unspecified dark color (Gray or Green) has been used to erase a previous A/C number or tactical sign. Reference one calls for 75/82/76 camouflage, and with fin/rudder splotches. Photo available on page 118. Arrive to your own conclusion.

A/C#2 • Bf109K-4 of an unknown unit (perhaps JG 27). Camouflaged in RLM 81/82/84 fuselage, 81/82 upper surfaces and RLM 76 lower wing and stabilizer surfaces. This machine had the "saw tooth" wing leading edge pattern. Black spinner with White spiral.

A/C#3 • Bf109K-4 of III/JG 53, May 1945. A typical K-4 in RLM 75/82/76 with JG 53 distinctive Black fuselage band. Black spinner with White spiral.

A/C#4 • Bf109K-4 of III/JG 27, Germany, April 1945. Camouflaged in the same colors as A/C#2, but with a different fuselage pattern. Black spinner with White spiral.

