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Fulcrum Farewell USA

JG 73 "Steinhoff"



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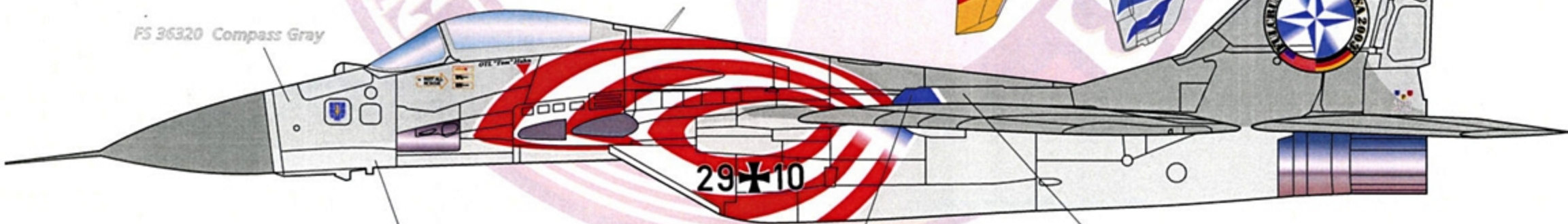
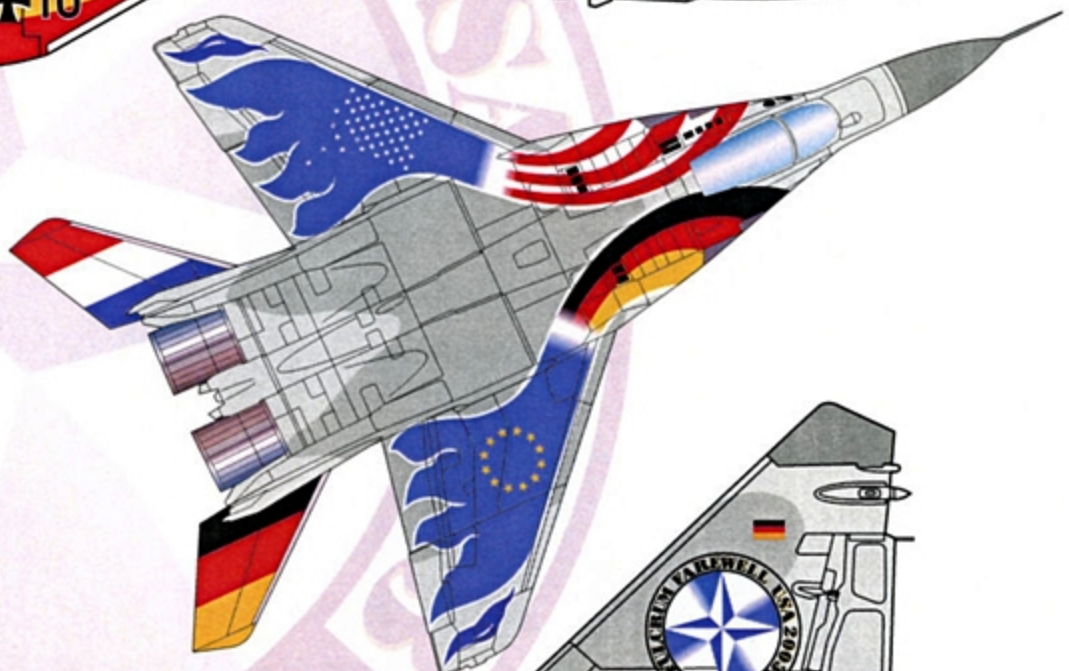
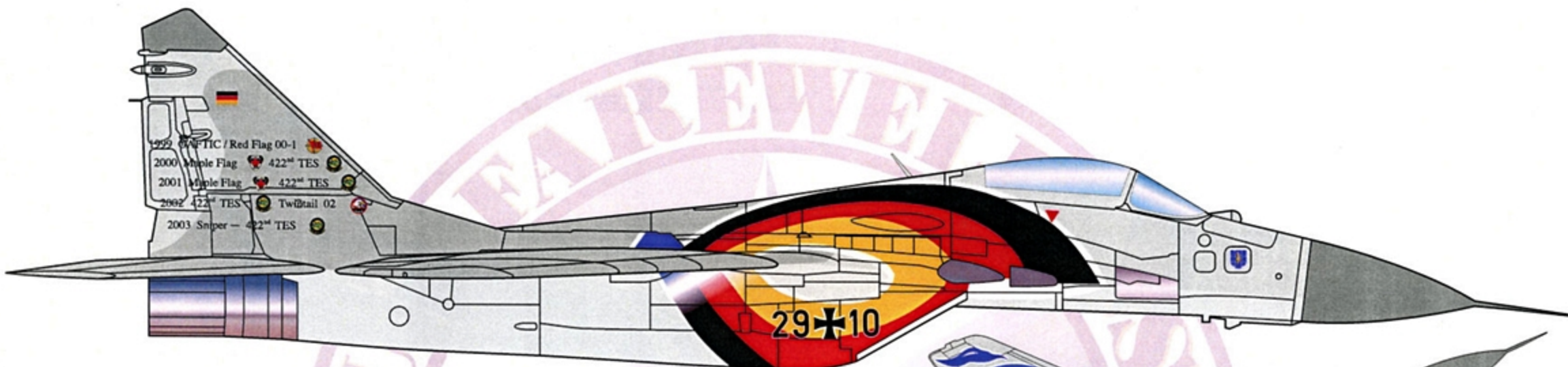
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FS 36320 Compass Gray

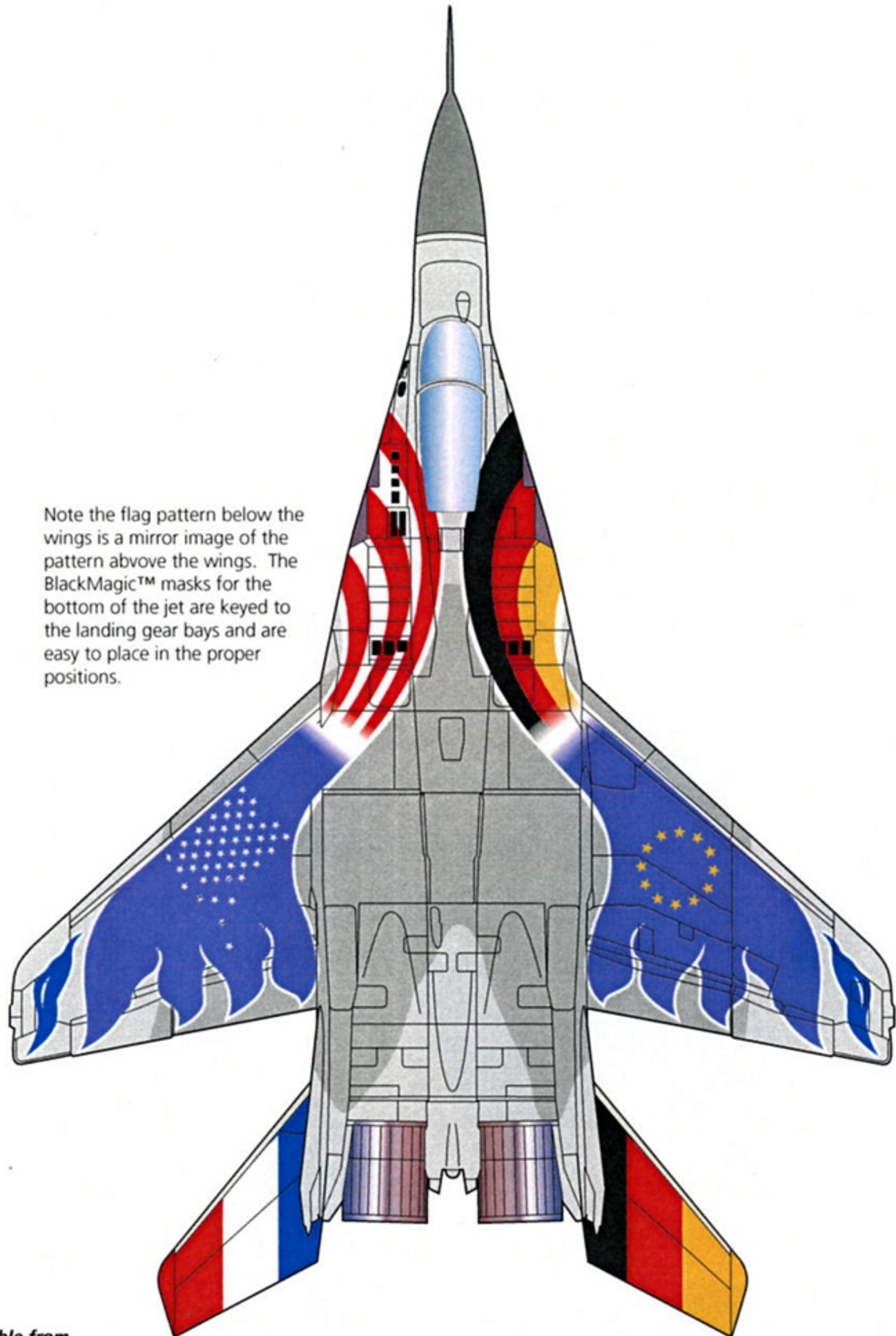
FS 36375 Light Compass Gray

Use these pieces to cover stabilizer base

FS 35237 Medium Gray



Note the flag pattern below the wings is a mirror image of the pattern above the wings. The BlackMagic™ masks for the bottom of the jet are keyed to the landing gear bays and are easy to place in the proper positions.



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From May to July, 2003, Staffel 731 of JG 73 "Steinhoff" sent seven MiG-29 Fulcrum fighters on their final deployment to North America. Home based at Laage Air Base near Rostock on Germany's Baltic coast, the unit will transition to Eurofighters later in 2003.

One jet, 29+10, was painted in a special scheme to commemorate the occasion. A stylized flag of the unit's home country, Germany was painted on the starboard side of the fuselage and wings, and a stylized American flag was painted on the port side. The flag sections flowed from the front fuselage on each side onto both the tops and bottoms of the wings. Only one jet was painted in this scheme.

This final deployment went from Burlington, VT, on 8 May 2003, to Eglin AFB, FL, for Dissimilar Air Combat Training (DACT) as well as AA-10 Alamo and AA-11 Archer live fire exercises over the Gulf of Mexico. Their MiG-29s departed the US for the final time on 7 July 2003.

- Paint aircraft white (or at least areas where masks will go).
- Note the marking scheme below the wings is the same as above the wings. The BlackMagic™ masks for the bottom of the jet are keyed to the landing gear bay openings and will be easy to place properly.
- Apply BlackMagic™ masks to wing and fuselage/intake areas, then paint camouflage scheme.
- Once paint is dry, remove BlackMagic™ masks and CAREFULLY freehand airbrush a soft edge along all white edges.
- After model has completely dried, prepare it as you normally would to apply the decals.
- We have supplied you two options for the left hand tail badge, one with a printed faded edge and one without. If you wish to spray your own faded edges simple cut a paper mask, spray your edges and then use the second decal that has no faded edges.

Applying the Decals

You probably already know all this stuff, so feel free to use your regular process; however, if you're new to aftermarket decals, here goes:

- Generally, use the Microscale Finishing System. We don't recommend extremely strong decal solvents such as Solvaset.
- Your model must have a smooth, glossy surface, as decals won't adhere well to matte surfaces. Use gloss paints or your favorite clear gloss overspray over matte or semigloss paint.
- Cut each subject out without trimming off the slight excess film (this helps the decal film disappear when dry).
- Put the decal in warm water that has a drop or two of liquid dishwashing soap or photo-flo for 10 seconds.
- When the decal will slide off the backing paper without forcing it, apply it to the proper position on your model. Slide the backing paper out from underneath.
- Gently blot off excess water and smooth out bubbles under the decal surface. If you wish, carefully brush on a mild decal softener such as Micro-Sol.
- When all decals are completely dry, gently wash off all excess decal adhesive.
- Finally, overcoat your model with a good quality gloss coat, followed by your choice of matte or eggshell clear topcoat.

FS 595 Color Cross Reference

FS 6320	Xtracolor X135, ModelMaster 1741, Gunze Sangyo H307, Mr Color 307, Polly-S 837, Pro Modeler 88-0036, Floquil 303133
FS 5237	Xtracolor X126, Modelmaster 1721, Mr Color 337, Gunze Sangyo H337
FS 6375	Pro Modeler 88-0034, Polly Scale 505304
FS 6118	Xtracolor X5/X130, Humbrol 123 & 125, Gunze Sangyo H333/H032/H075/H305, Modelmaster 1723, Pro Modeler 88-0037, Floquil 303157

Bibliography

Original photos.