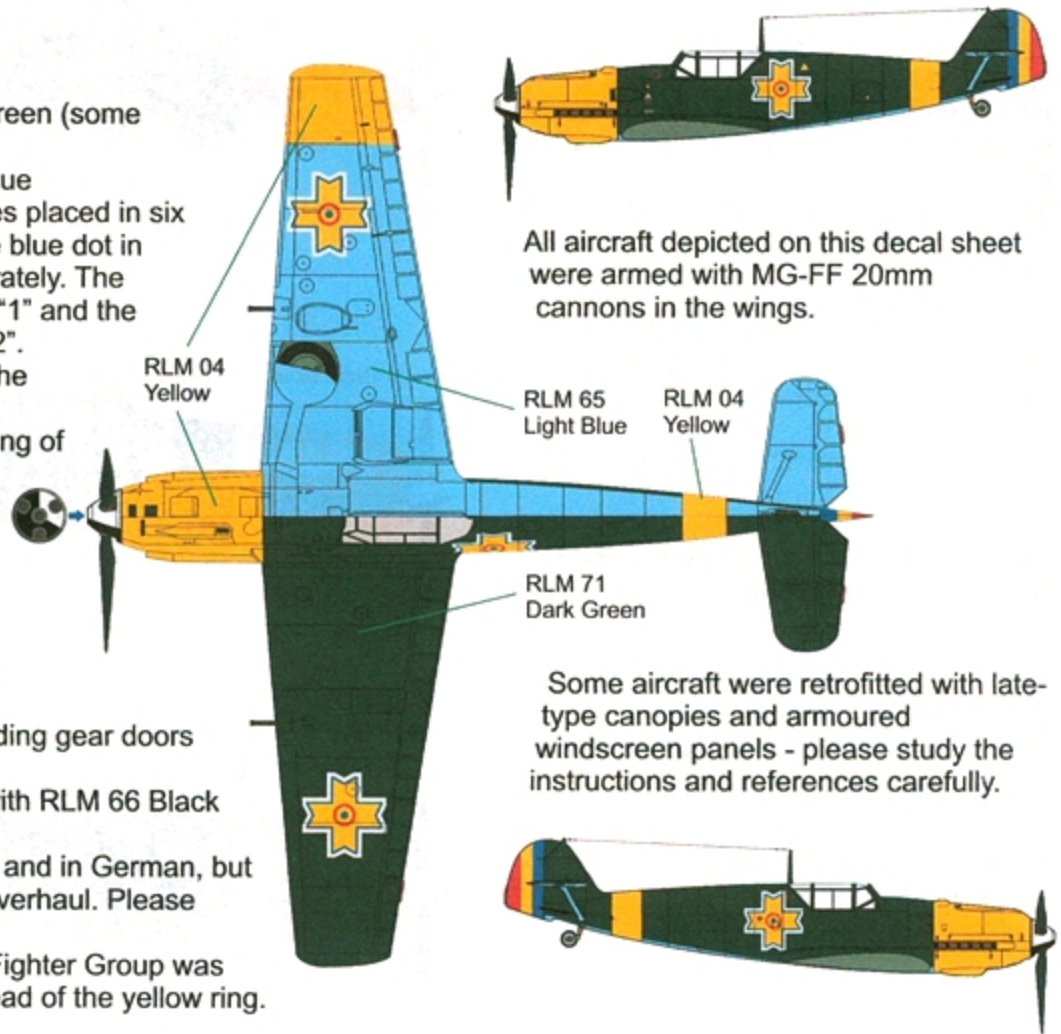


Romanian Messerschmitt Bf.109E Part 1

Camouflage and Markings

- Uppersurfaces painted RLM 71 Dark Green (some sources state RLM 70 Black Green)
- Undersurfaces painted RLM 65 Light Blue
- National insignia consisting of M-crosses placed in six positions on the wings and fuselage. The blue dot in the center of the cross was printed separately. The item "1a" is the dot for the cross marked "1" and the item "2" is the dot for the cross marked "2".
- Romanian blue/yellow/red tricolour on the rudder (blue always at the mast)
- Eastern Front Theatre markings consisting of RLM 04 Yellow wingtip undersurfaces, yellow ring ahead of the tailfin and yellow nose.
- Spinner painted 1/3 white and 2/3 black (or possibly RLM 70 Black Green) with some exceptions.
- Propeller blades painted RLM 70 Black Green
- Landing gear legs and inside of the landing gear doors painted RLM 02 Grey
- Cockpit interior painted RLM 02 Grey with RLM 66 Black Grey instrument panel
- All maintenance stencils were standard and in German, but some stencils were overpainted during overhaul. Please study the references.
- The "Donald Duck" emblem of the 7th Fighter Group was added on both sides of the fuselage, ahead of the yellow ring.



All aircraft depicted on this decal sheet were armed with MG-FF 20mm cannons in the wings.

Some aircraft were retrofitted with late-type canopies and armoured windscreen panels - please study the instructions and references carefully.

Numerous photographs of the aircraft depicted on this decal sheet as well as colour profiles and historic accounts are included in the book "Romanian Fighter Colours 1941 - 1945" by Teodor Liviu Morosanu and Dan Alexandru Melinte published by MMP Books in 2010. This is an essential reference for this subject. Please also consult the other sources of information mentioned in the "references" section on the reverse side of this page.

There were a number of variations in the design of "Donald Duck" emblem and various items that can recreate these emblems are included on the decal sheet as items 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7. The emblem was handed, with Donald always facing forward. Please consult your references for further details about this emblem.



Item 3
(Simplified)



Item 3 + 6 (or 5)
("Mack" added)



Item 4
(Detailed)



Item 4 + 7
("Mack" added)

A) Bf.109 E-7 No. 63 W.Nr. 1482

Escadrila 56, Grupul 7 Vânătoare
Bucharest-Pipera, summer 1942.
"Alcazar" means "Fortress" in Spanish.

Late-type square canopy with external bolted-on armoured windscreen panel. Long spinner.



B) Bf.109 E-3 No. 23

Escadrila 57, Grupul 7 Vânătoare Flown by
Adj.Av. Ștefan Greceanu

Early-type rounded canopy without external bolted-on armoured windscreen panel.

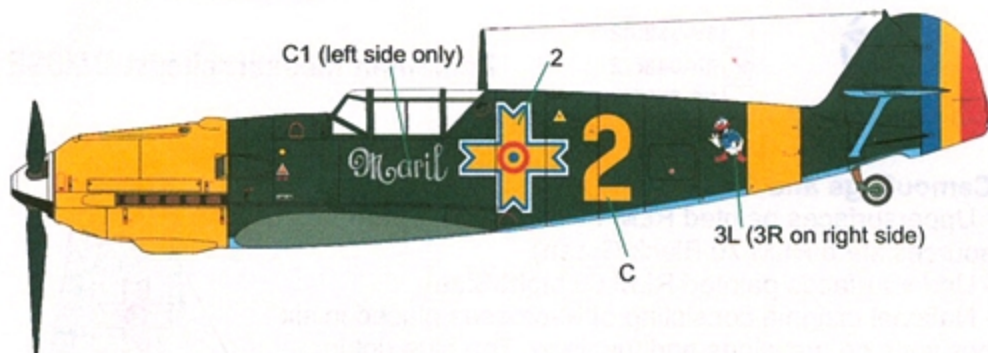


C) Bf.109 E-3 No. 2, W. Nr. 2316

Grupul 7 Vânătoare, Flown by Cmdr.Av. Alexandru "Popicu" [Pin] Popișteanu, the Commander of Gr.7Vt.

"Maril" was an abbreviation of "Marilena" [Mary-Ellen]. The "Maril" inscription appears faded in photographs. A light coat of sprayed paint over the decal can simulate this fading.

Early-type rounded canopy without external bolted-on armoured windscreen panel.



D) Bf.109 E-3 No. 9, W.Nr. 2486

Escadrila 57, Grupul 7 Vânătoare, Flown by Lt.Av. Ioan Di Cezare, Karpovka-Stalingrad, November 1942

"Hai Fetito" means "C'mon Little Girl" or "Go Little Girl!"

Early-type rounded canopy with external bolted-on armoured windscreen panel.



E) Bf.109 E-3 No. 47

Escadrila 58, Grupul 7 Vânătoare, Nikolaev - Ukraine, November 1942

Early-type rounded canopy with external bolted-on armoured windscreen panel.

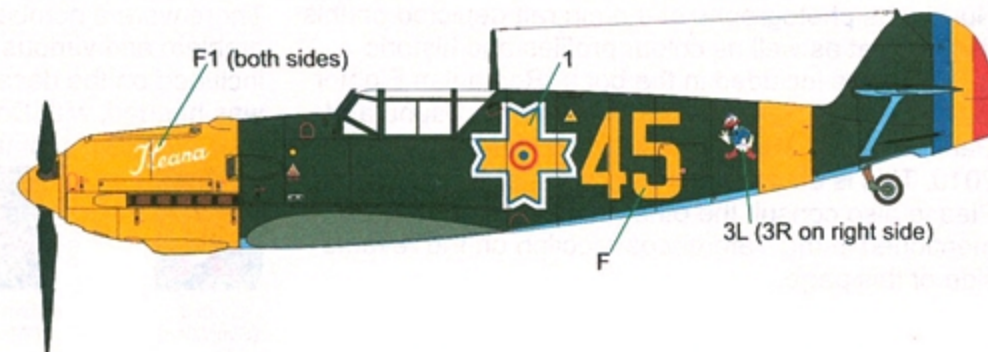


F) Bf.109 E-3 No. 45

Escadrila 58, Grupul 7 Vânătoare, Bucharest-Pipera, summer 1942

"Ileana" is the Romanian equivalent of "Elaine".

Early-type rounded canopy with external bolted-on armoured windscreen panel. Yellow long spinner.



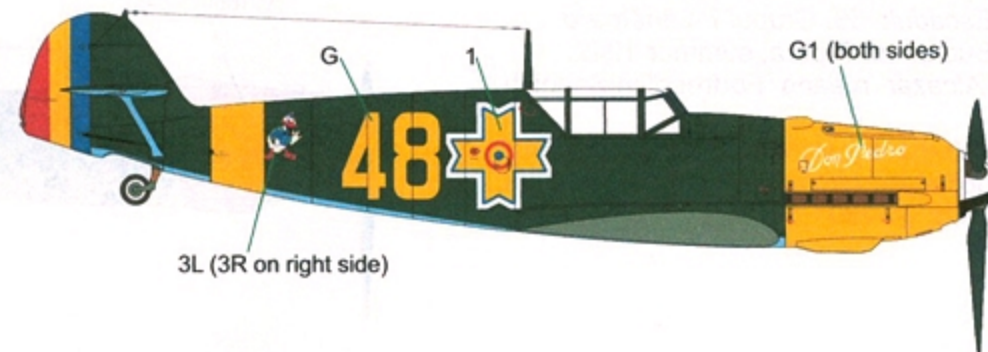
G) Bf.109 E-3 No. 48, W.Nr. 2403

Escadrila 58, Grupul 7 Vânătoare, flown by Petre Protopescu.

Bucharest-Pipera, summer 1942

"Don Pedro" is the Spanish for "Sir Peter".

Early-type rounded canopy with external bolted-on armoured windscreen panel.



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