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B-24D-25-CO 41-24294 (V) 376BG/S12 BS "Brewery Wagon"

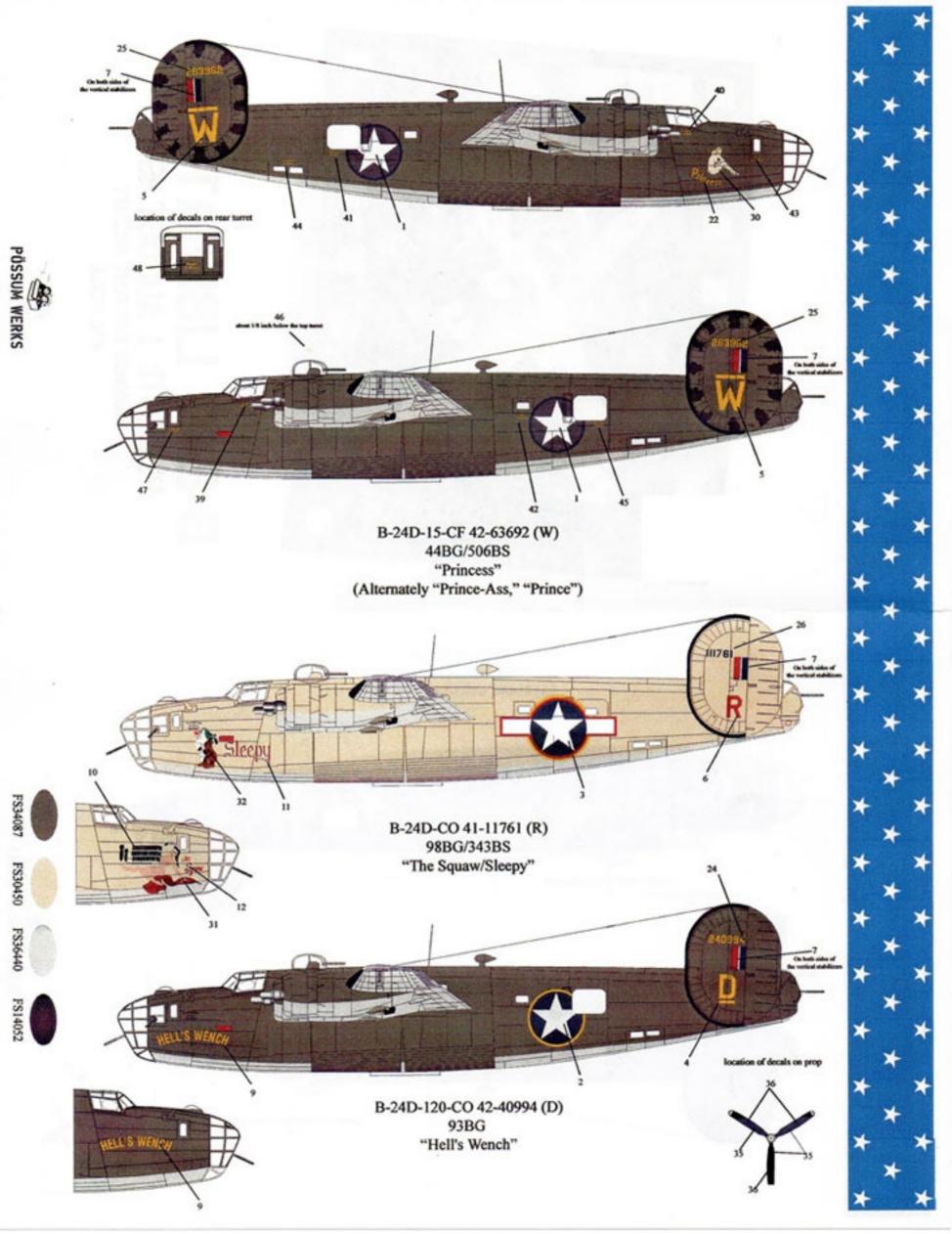


## **B-24D LIBERATORS**

PLOESTI: I AUGUST 1943

MARKINGS FOR FOUR AIRCRAFT 1/72 SCALE





Notes:

B-24D-25-CO 41-24294 (V) 376BG/512 BS "Brewery Wagon"

Lost over Ploesti, 1 Aug. 1943. Photos of the crashed Liberator show many interesting and colorful markings down both sides of the fuselage. We think we got them all, but don't hold us to it.

B-24D-120-CO 42-40994 (D) 93BG "Hell's Wench"

Lost over Ploesti, 1 Aug. 1943. No photos of this particular plane have surfaced. The markings illustrated are hypothetical, based upon anecdotal information, and photographic data collected from a variety of personal collections.

B-24D-CO 41-11761 (R) 98BG/343BS The Squaw/Sleepy

The markings illustrated on this sheet indicate how this plane would have appeared before being retired and returned to the ZI for a bond tour. Photos of this Bomb Group over the Libyan desert in the final dress rehearsal before the Operation clearly show the National Insignia as it appears on this sheet: white bars with a red surround painted over a larger yellow surround. Nose art was sanitized upon return to the States.

B-24D-15-CF 42-63692 (W) 44BG/506BS "Princess" (Alternately "Prince-Ass," "Prince")

Not involved in Operation Tidal wave, we just wanted to do these markings. Several name changes, or at least edits occurred to this plane during her lifetime.

## About the nose art:

Advances in printing technology have allowed for combining several print techniques on a single page. As such, we are able to create more compelling renditions of the nose art that was on these planes. The art is correct for the planes illustrated, we chose to ramp up the "WOW' factor. This art is accurate in spirit, not necessarily to the letter.

