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# SPITFIRE

*End of the line, Mk 22/24*

Pt. III



Suggested Kit: Airfix 1:48 - Supermarine Spitfire F.22/F.24

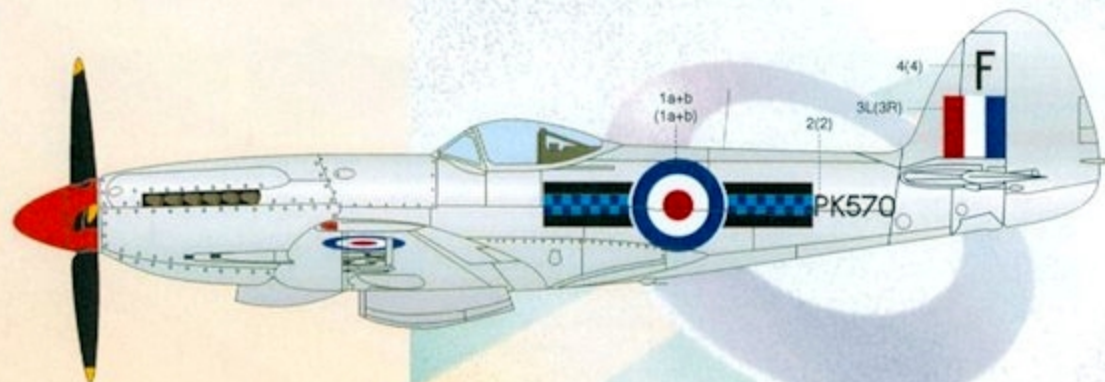




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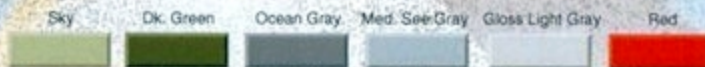
Spitfire F.22 PK 570 F  
603 (City of Edinburgh)  
Squadron, RAF. PK570 is shown in the all silver finish and with post-war roundels and fin flash, dating this aircraft around 1949-51. Note the extra large squadron flashes each side of the roundel and code letter position on fin.

Spitfire F.22 PK497 RAD-V  
504 (County of Nottingham)  
Squadron, Royal Auxiliary Air  
Force, Hucknall, 1948. 1948  
saw the end of the RA codes  
when the RAuxAF squadrons  
were transferred from Reserve  
Command to Fighter  
Command. Note the unusual  
size changes to the code letters.



Spitfire F.22 SR65  
I Squadron, Southern  
Rhodesian Air Force,  
Salisbury, Rhodesia, June  
1953. F.22 Spitfires equipped 1  
and 2 Squadrons of the SRAF  
until early 1954. The finish of  
these aircraft was an overall  
gloss Light Gray.

Spitfire F.22 PK596 RAT-L  
613 (City of Manchester)  
Squadron, Royal Auxiliary Air  
Force, Gatwick, July 1949.  
Photographic reference of this  
aircraft shows a high gloss  
finish. Note the extra thin code  
letters and squadron badge on  
tail fin. Colors on A/C 2 and 4  
were originally glossy but due to  
wear and tear they may have  
turned semi gloss.



Spitfires supplied to the Middle Eastern countries are believed to have been delivered in British desert colors of Middlestone, Dk Earth, Azure or plain natural metal finish. However, they could have received a coat of some local colors upon arrival, of which we have no knowledge.

We are supplying you a complete set of stencils (service markings). However it is believed that most of these markings had disappeared this late in the life of these a/c due to maintenance, painting, touch ups, etc. Use your judgment.



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