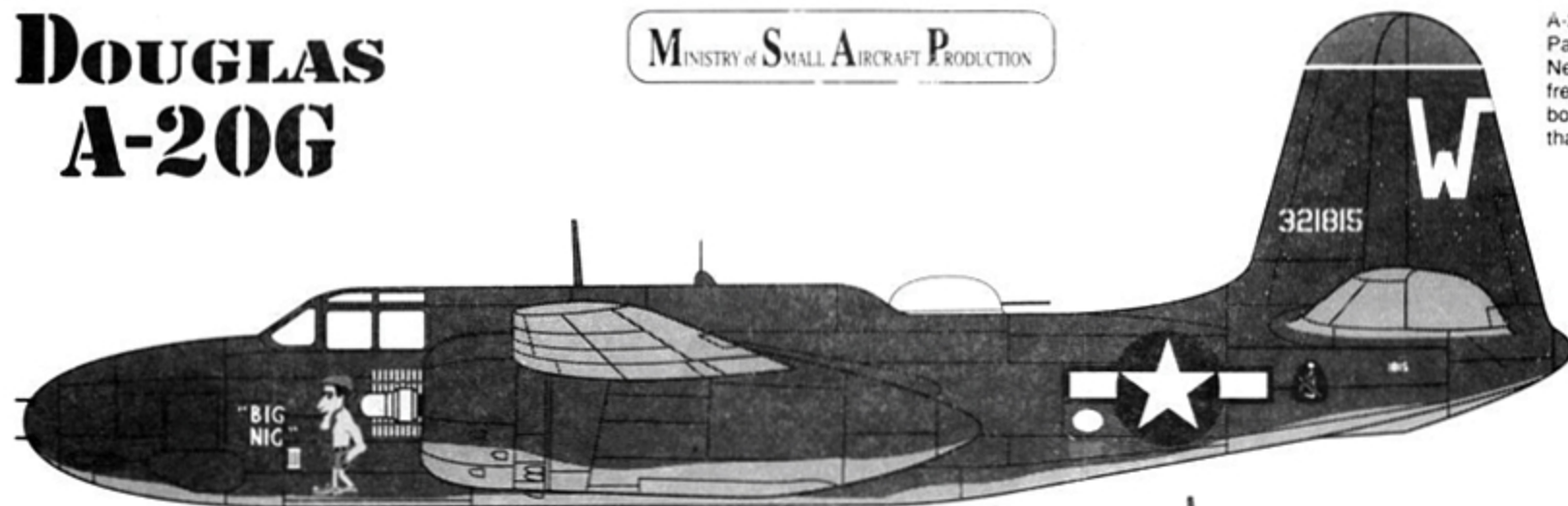


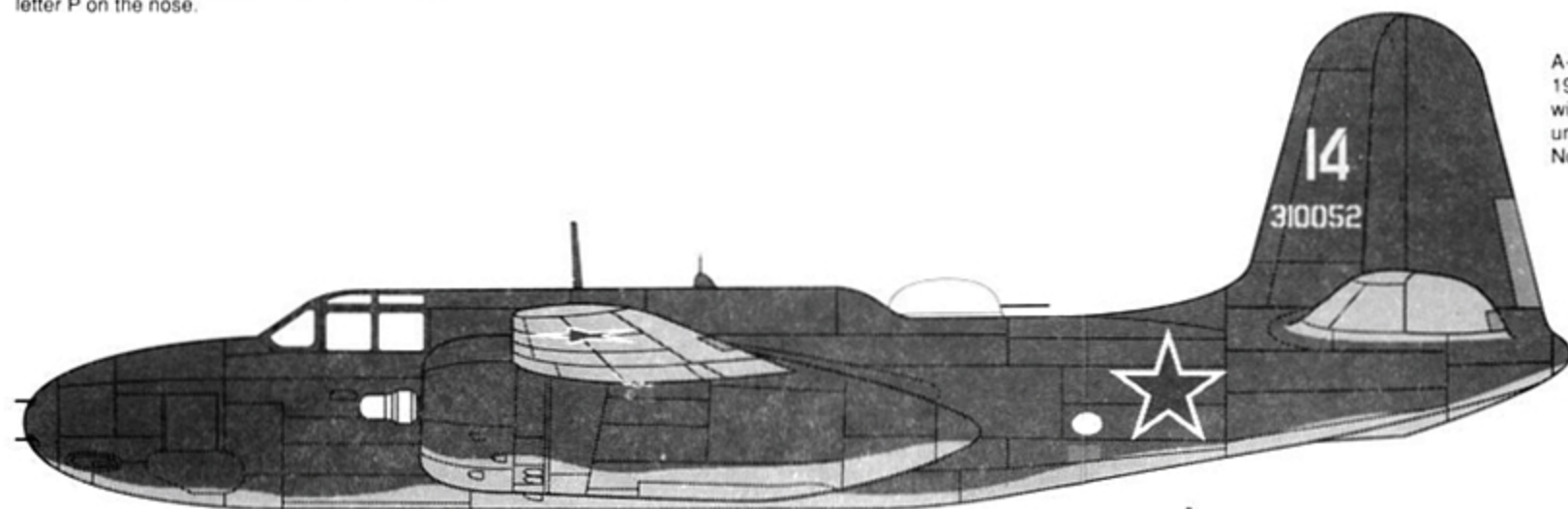
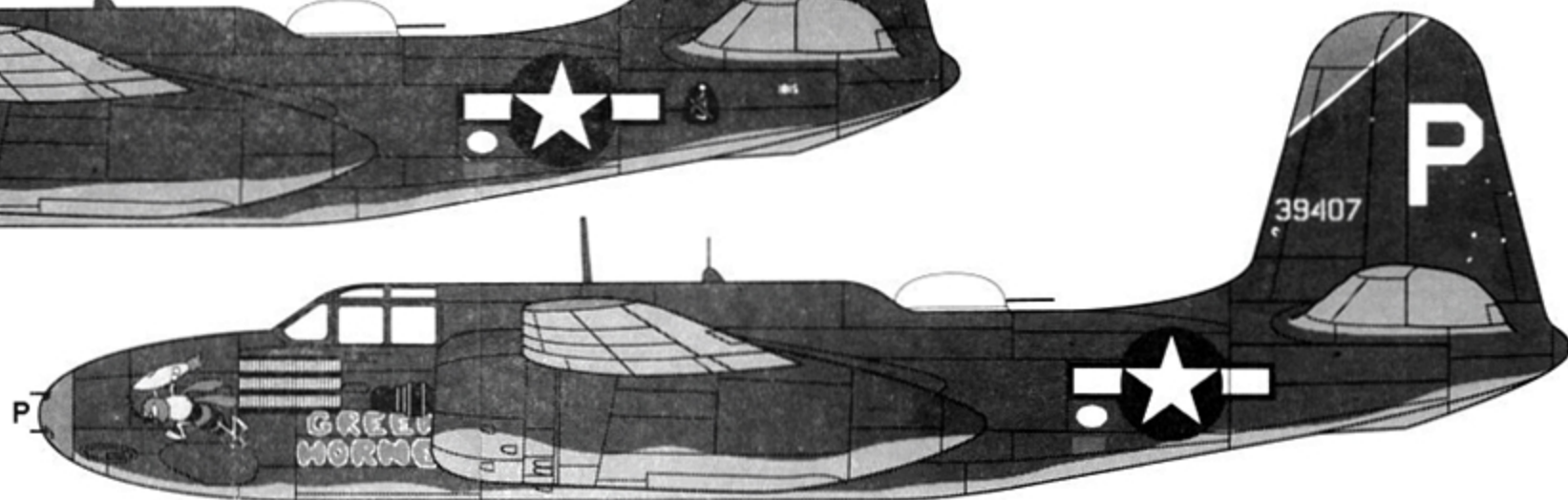
# DOUGLAS A-20G

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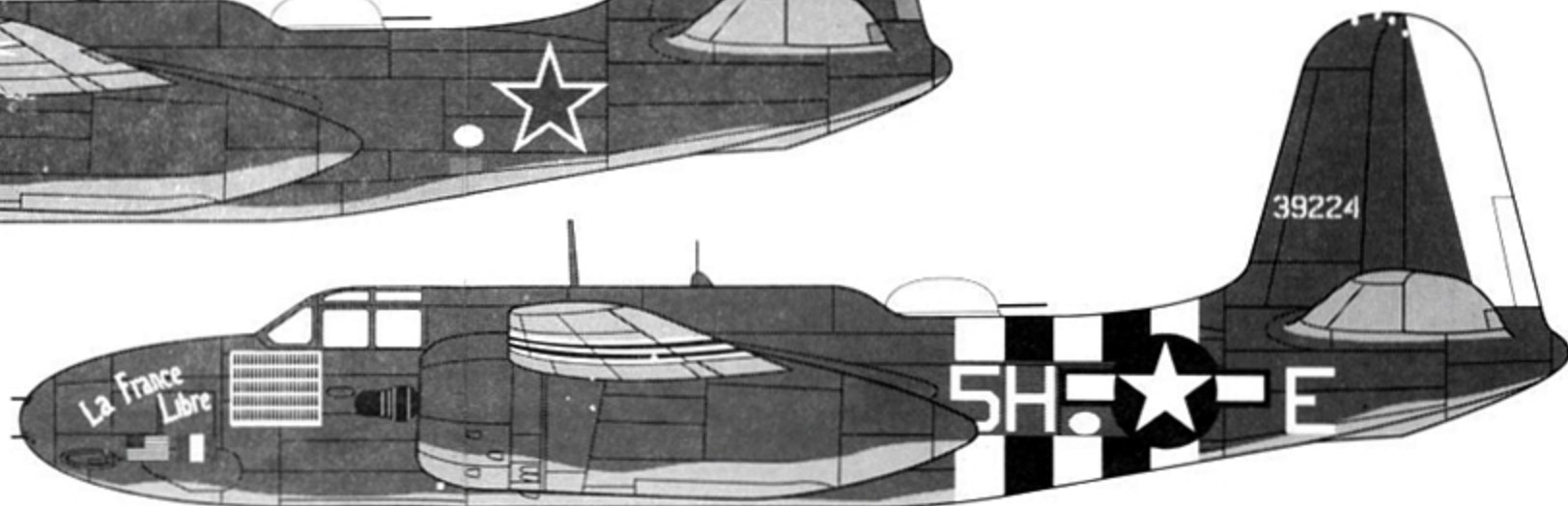
A-20G, 321815, of the 89th Squadron, 3rd Attack Group, Southwest Pacific. "Big Nic" is in standard finish of Olive Drab uppersurfaces and Neutral Grey undersurfaces, and the finish is reasonably clean and fresh, considering its environment. The fin tip is green with a thin white border. The 'grim reaper' insignia is carried on both sides, and note that the tab on the "W" flows off the fin trailing edge on both sides.

A-20G, 38407, of the 675th Bomb Squadron, 417th Bomb Group, Southwest Pacific, Autumn 1944. The aircraft is in standard finish of OD over Neutral grey. However, the outlines of the wing and tailplane uppersurfaces and the vertical fin have been disrupted with areas of medium green 42 (slightly lighter and much greener in shade). The vertical fin has a medium blue tip with a thin white border, and the wingtips and nose are also medium blue. Note the small letter P on the nose.



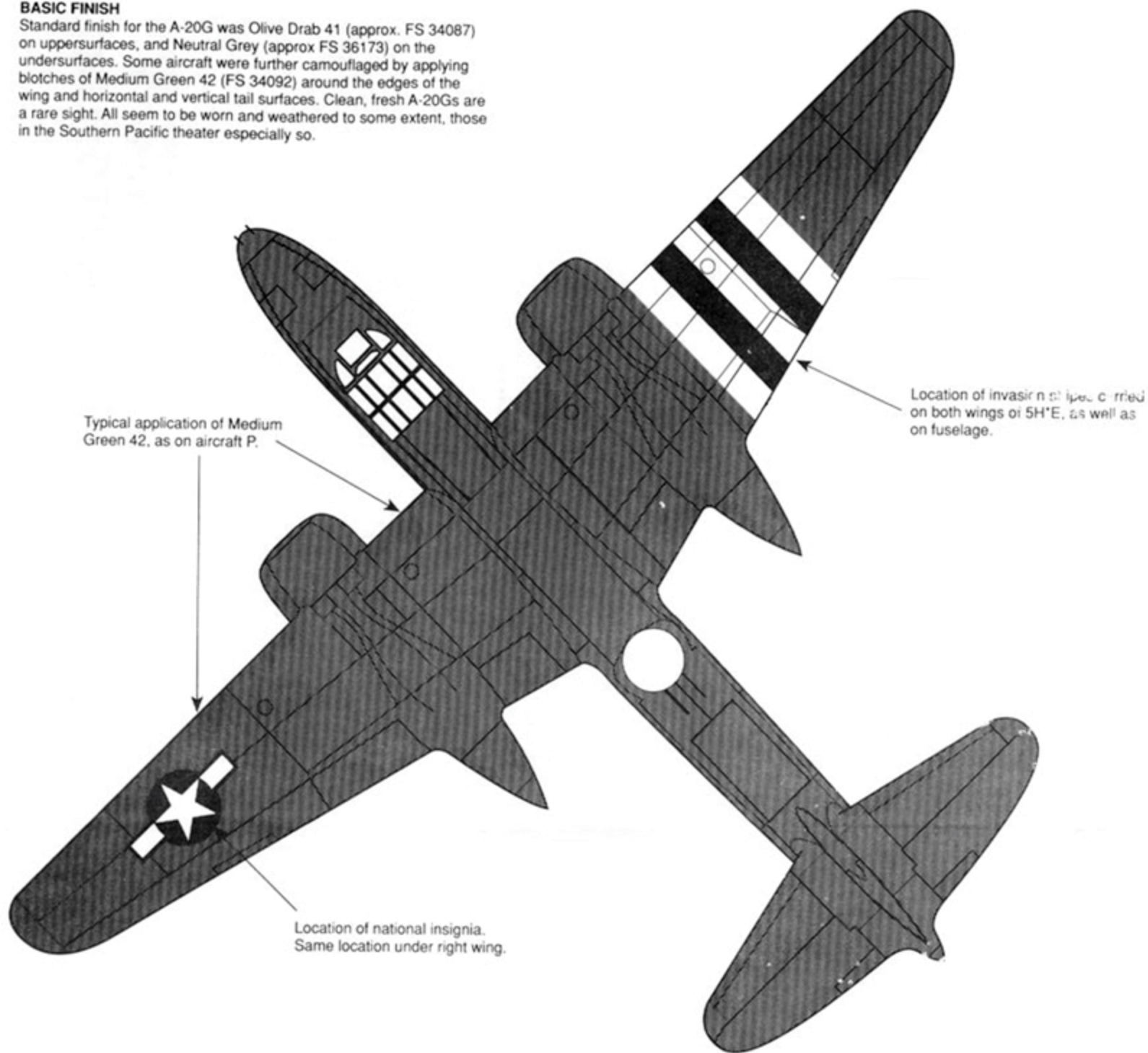
A-20G used by the 51st Torpedo Squadron of the Baltic Fleet, Winter 1944. The aircraft retains its standard OD and Neutral Grey finish, with the application of Soviet markings. National insignia are carried under both wings, while none are carried on the wing uppersurfaces. Note that the trim tabs have been painted red.

A-20G 39224, of the 66th Bomb Squadron, 416th Bomb Group, France, Autumn 1944. Finish is standard OD and Neutral Grey with black and white invasion stripes on fuselage and wings. Aft part of rudder is white.



### BASIC FINISH

Standard finish for the A-20G was Olive Drab 41 (approx. FS 34087) on uppersurfaces, and Neutral Grey (approx FS 36173) on the undersurfaces. Some aircraft were further camouflaged by applying blotches of Medium Green 42 (FS 34092) around the edges of the wing and horizontal and vertical tail surfaces. Clean, fresh A-20Gs are a rare sight. All seem to be worn and weathered to some extent, those in the Southern Pacific theater especially so.



Typical application of Medium Green 42, as on aircraft P.

Location of invasion stripes, carried on both wings of 5H'E, as well as on fuselage.

Location of national insignia. Same location under right wing.

### REFERENCES

References recommended for building, detailing and finishing these A-20Gs include the following:

- 1 - A-20 Havoc in Action, Aircraft No. 56
- 2 - Samolot bombowy Boston (Havoc), TBU #108
- 3 - IPMS Quarterly vol.3, No.4; vol.5, No.1 & 2
- 4 - Wings, vol.6, No.3
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- 6 - Plastic Kits Revue, various issues

### KITS

The only injection molded 1/43 A-20G is the example from AMT/Ertl. An older vacuform kit by Koster is also very good, and in addition comes with a wealth of resin, metal, and photo-etched detail parts.

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