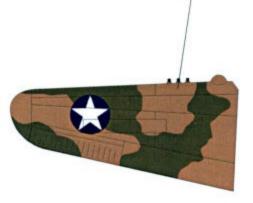
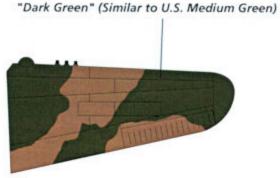




"Dark Earth" (Similar to FS 30279)







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Note



Early U.S. Warhawks had 35" roundels. When the order came out that bars were to be applied, this resulted in
an insignia that was a bit oversized, so the decision was made to reduce the roundel size to 30", thus resulting in
Warhawks of the period having two national insignia sizes.

White 214

- We do not believe the kill markings were duplicated on the right side, but we've included extras just in case.
- Note the original serial number has been repainted with fresh Olive Drab.

White 104

- In keeping with the style of tactical markings developed by the AVG, this aircraft has no fuselage roundel, instead having a solid disk of Dark Green in its place.
- We do not believe the kill markings were duplicated on the right side, but we've included extras just in case.
- While this paint scheme was originally intended for use on RAF P-40s, numerous USAAF aircraft received it as
 well. The colors were not official RAF, but rather substitutes used bu Curtiss that were deemed 'close enough'. For
 an overall history of this issue, we recommend you refer to Dana Bell's excellent article in the January 1995 issue of
 Fine Scale Modeler titled "Curtiss Camouflage Schemes for RAF-40s".

White 367

We do not believe the kill markings were duplicated on the right side, but we've included extras just in case.

White 663

 We do not believe the Chinese cowl markings were duplicated on the right side, but we've included extras just in case.

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

Olive Drab

FS 4087 Xtracolor X111, Floquil 303108/303170/303263, Gunze Sangyo H304, Modelmaster 1711, Mr Color 304, Pro Modeler 88-0028

Neutral Gray Medium Green U.S. Sand FS 6173 Xtracolor X158, Gunze Sangyo H053, Pro Modeler 88-0035, Floquil 303176

FS 4092 Pro Modeler 88-0029, Floquil 303128/303172

Floquil 303174

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Original photos.

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