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Bf 109 G-6

Manufactured in greater numbers than any other Messerschmitt 109 variant, the G-6 has always been very popular with the modelers, considered to be the classic Bf 109 by many. Luftwatte pilots complained the *Beule* or bumps covering the breaches of the MG 131 13 mm machine guns reduced speed, nevertheless, they contribute to the distinctive personality of the Bf 109. Too the bigger guns were heavier effecting performance.

"Yellow 6"

W. Nr. Unknown

Pilot Unknown

Eastern Front

1944

Late cockpit armor; short antenna mast; ETC rack for drop tank; FuG 25 a antenna under fuselage

Colors: White over RLM 76/75/74; Yellow spinner

Light Yellow, RLM 27, '6' and 1/2 squiggle over darker Yellow fuselage band, RLM 04

Fresh White over old number

National Insignia: Fuselage: 900 mm Black and White crosses; 300 mm Hakenkreuz Black with White outline

Wings: Upper ~ 1000 mm White outline Lower 900 mm Black and White

Stenciling: Factory standard

References: Jerry Crandall collection.

"Red (or Black) 11" W. Nr. Unknown 2./JG 302 Pilot Unknown Jüterbog Feb 1944

Convincing research has confirmed this was more than likely "Red 11" with Yellow outline; however, both Red and Black '11' numbers are provided for modeler's choice. Late cockpit armor; short antenna mast; drop tank; FuG 25 a antenna under fuse-lage. Unit badge on both sides of cowling.

Colors: RLM 76/75/74; black spinner with White spiral; Yellow fuselage band and underwing tips

National Insignia: Fuselage: 900 mm Black and White crosses; 300 mm Hakenkreuz Black with White outline

Wings: Upper ~ 1000 mm White outline Lower 900 mm Black and White

Stenciling: Factory standard

References: Jerry Crandall collection.

"Blue 14" W. Nr. Unknown 12./JG 2 Pilot Unknown Beaumont le Roger, France 1943

Bf 109 G-6/R6, underwing cannons (provisional). Tall antenna mast; Early cockpit armor; drop tank; FuG 25 a antenna. Note, cowling could have been replaced.

Colors: RLM 76/75/74; Yellow rudder and undercowling. Note rear canopy frame RLM 76, rest of canopy frame is RLM 74 Black exhaust design trimmed with White line, see scrap view.

Blue '14' and bar trimmed with White.

National Insignia: Fuselage: 900 mm Black and White crosses; 300 mm Hakenkreuz Black with White outline

Wings: Upper ~ 1000 mm White outline Lower 900 mm Black and White

Stenciling: Factory standard

References: Jerry Crandall collection.

"Black 1" W. Nr. Unknown 8./JG 54 Pilot Unknown Lüneburg, Germany Spring 1944

Bf 109 G6/R6 with underwing cannons. Short antenna mast; drop tank; late cockpit armor. 8. Staffel badge port side only; III./JG 54 Green Hearts emblem on both sides of cockpit.

Colors: RLM 76/75/74; ; Yellow rudder and undercowling; Black '1' and Black vertical bar trimmed in White; Medium Blue fuselage band; Spinner Black with White spiral.

National Insignia: Fuselage: 900 mm Black and White crosses; 300 mm Hakenkreuz Black with White outline

Wings: Upper ~ 1000 mm White outline Lower 900 mm Black and White

Stenciling: Factory standard

References: Jerry Crandall collection.

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