

AeroMasterTM PRODUCTS

Green Nose Mustangs *of East Wretham*

PART II



Suggested Kit: TAMIYA 1/48 scale Mustang Family.

Aircraft 1 - P-51D-5 'Devils 3rd', Major Nevin Cranfill, East Wretham, autumn 1944. Natural metal finish, Red rudder. Invasion stripes under fuselage and wings. Note uneven demarcation line on Green nose. Unshrouded exhaust stacks.

Notice masking tape overspray marking on lower cowl ring, possibly on both sides.



On March 19, 1945, Maj Cranfill claimed the only kill of the for the group. The kill was a "Me 262", plus he damaged another one that was attacking a Group's Mustang.



Aircraft 2 - P-51D-10 'Sinky', Lt Joe Mejaski, East Wretham, March 1945. Natural metal finish; Red rudder. Shrouded exhaust.

Aircraft 3 - P-51D-15 'Happy', Captain James Way, Jr., East Wretham, March 1945. Natural metal finish, Yellow rudder. Shrouded exhaust pipes on this A/C. No rear view mirror.

After doing a little research, we found out that gray-out fuselage insignia did not necessarily correspond to gray-out wing insignia. It seems that the USAAC realize that white stars reflected light at a much higher rate than the O.D. or Green paint, thus nullifying the effect of camouflage. When USAAC went to all natural metal finishes, somebody forgot to notify the ground crews about the fact that the gray wash was no longer necessary!

Live & Learn!



Notice no Black band on left strut cover.

Notice the different styles of the Green color application.
Uniformity, Uhhh...

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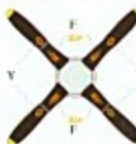
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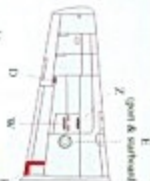
75 gal. drop tank.

Propeller (front view)



Propeller blades Flat Black with Yellow tips.

Upper wing surface



P-51 D

