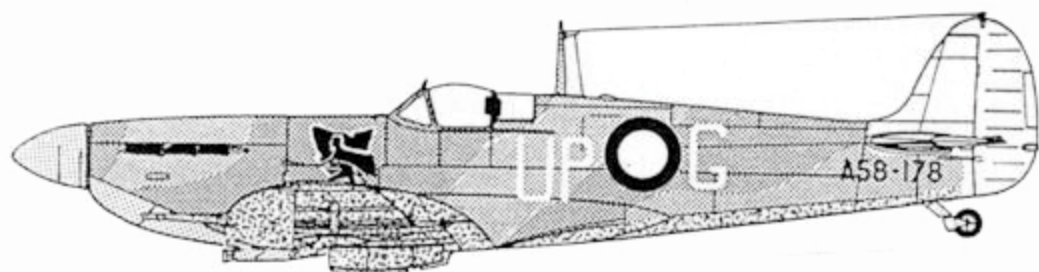


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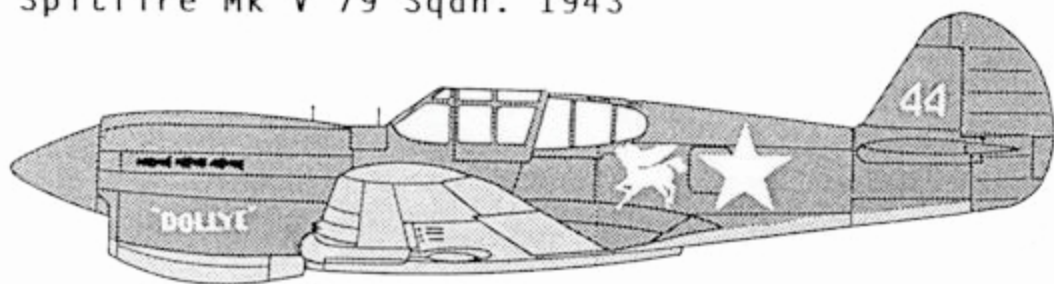
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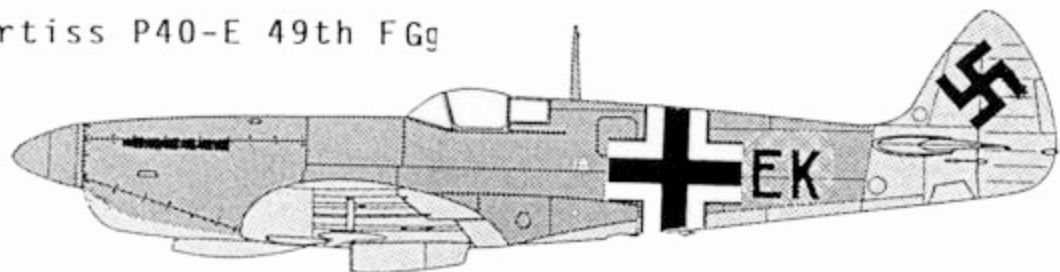
Australian Spitfire Mk V  
American Pacific Theatre P40-E  
Captured Spitfire PR Mk XI



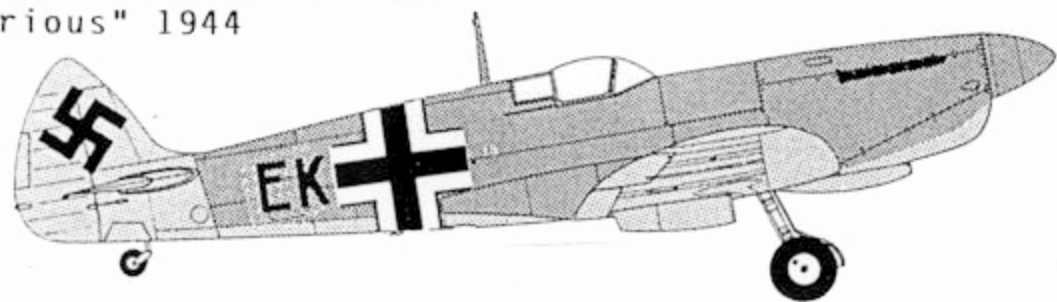
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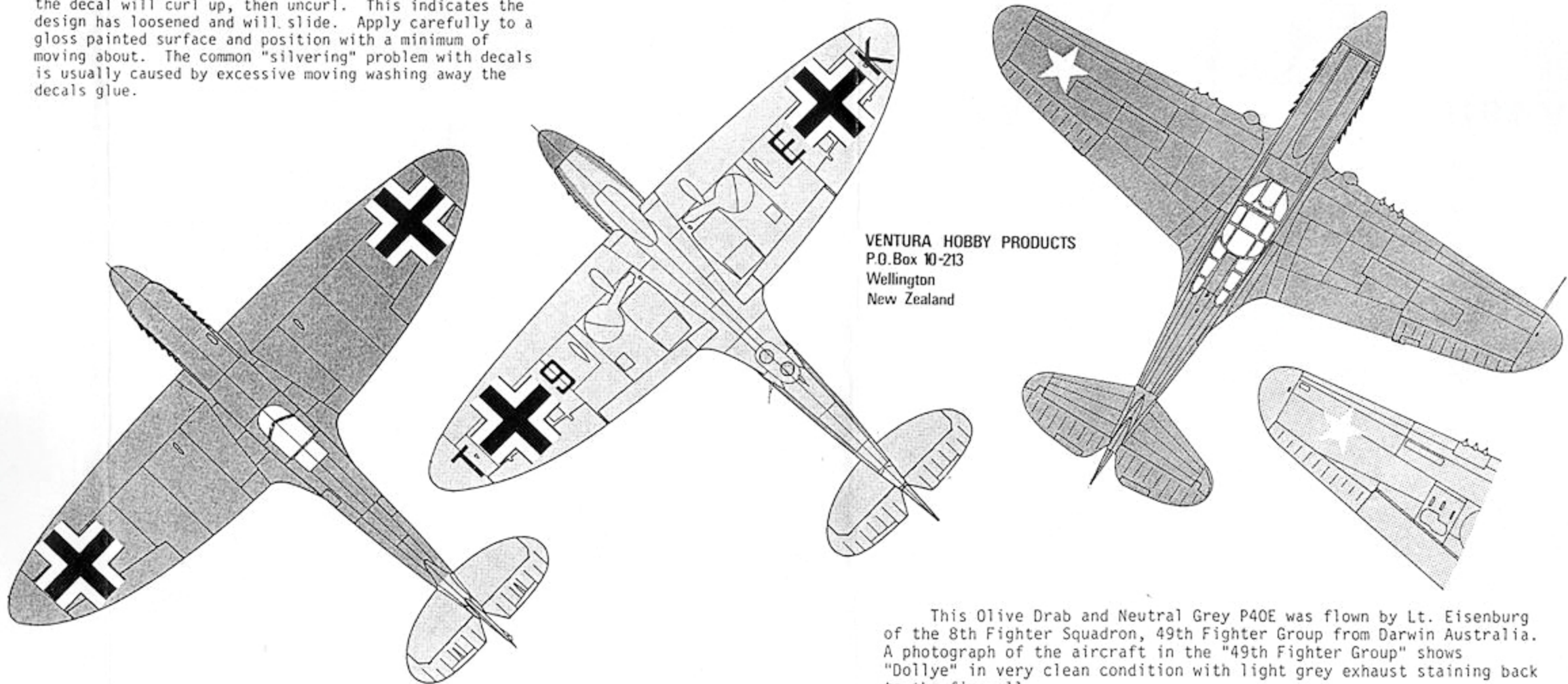
Curtiss P40-E 49th FGg



Spitfire PR MkXI "Zirkus  
Rosarius" 1944



Ventura Decals are printed thinly for a painted on look. Dip each design into water for a few seconds, then leave to stand on a non absorbent surface. At first the decal will curl up, then uncurl. This indicates the design has loosened and will slide. Apply carefully to a gloss painted surface and position with a minimum of moving about. The common "silvering" problem with decals is usually caused by excessive moving washing away the decals glue.



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T9+EK is a captured Spitfire PR11 used by the German training unit "Beaute Zirkus Rosarious" in 1944. It's colour scheme is Dark Green 71 on upper surfaces with Yellow 04 lower surfaces and tail. Spinner is 71 and propeller blades black with yellow tips.

The aircrafts fuselage and wing crosses are to non-standard proportions while the swastikas are simply larger than normal but to standard proportions. All camera bays are covered over and painted out. Wheels are the plain disk hub style.

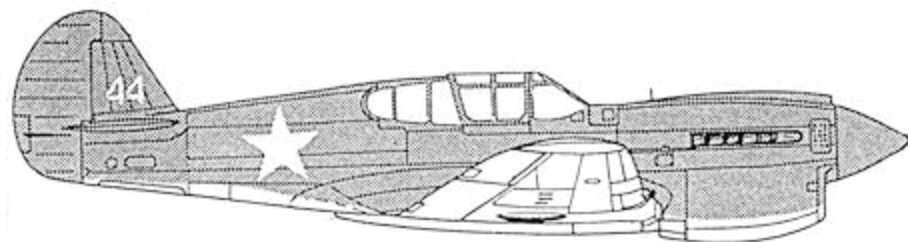
Note that the underwing lettering is available on Ventura sheet V7251 24" (600mm) Black lettering. The fuselage "E K" lettering has also been repainted recently with a lighter patch of green showing behind these letters.

Reference. "Spitfire at War 3" By Dr. Alfred Price, Ian Allan.

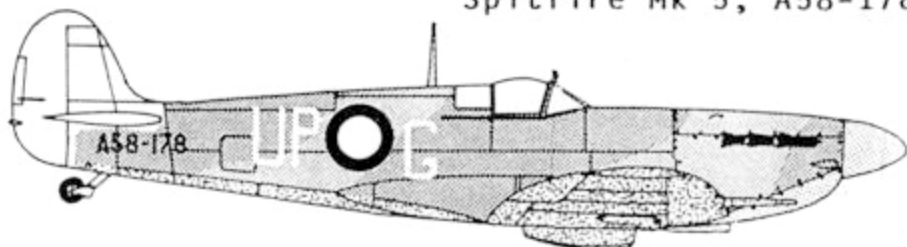
This Olive Drab and Neutral Grey P40E was flown by Lt. Eisenburg of the 8th Fighter Squadron, 49th Fighter Group from Darwin Australia. A photograph of the aircraft in the "49th Fighter Group" shows "Dollye" in very clean condition with light grey exhaust staining back to the firewall.

Spinner is Olive Drab, propeller blades black with yellow tips. All insignia is in white. Note the slight nose down slope of the inscription "Dollye".

Reference. "49th Fighter Group" By Ernest R. McDowell, Squadron Signal Publications.



## Spitfire Mk 5, A58-178



Spitfire Mk 5c piloted by Flight-Sgts. George Gilbert and Dudley Grinlington with 79 Squadron in late 1943 stationed on Kiriwina Island.

The aircraft is camouflaged in Foliage Green and Dark Earth upper surfaces with Azure Blue under surfaces. The aircraft was received by the Australians in British Desert scheme and was subsequently repainted on upper surfaces. In wear areas such as where the pilot enters and leaves the cockpit parts of the desert colours show through. The entire tail area is White. The personal insignia consists of a green map of the Australian State of Tasmania and a 'devil' alluding to the 'Tasmanian devil' a marsupial animal native to that State.

The aircraft was waxed and polished for extra speed and for a short period had no Vokes filter as depicted here. The replacement cowling is sky blue.

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