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1/48th Scale
Tamiya F-16C
Hasegawa F-16C
Academy F-16C
Revell F-16C
Black Box Cockpit
Aeroclub Accessories
Eduard Detail Sets
Aires Detail Sets
Cobra Company Aggr. Update
Wolfpack Block 30 Conversion

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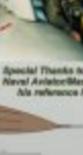
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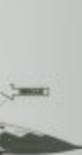
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Special Thanks to LCDR Gabe Pizzelli,
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for his reference help on this sheet!

An easy way to "cheat" to be able to make sure your decals align correctly with this complex paint scheme is to make a photo-copy of the decal sheet and lay them on the model. Then mark your paint scheme to conform to the decals.

The actual jet that flew at Miramar NAS is depicted on this sheet. The jet at the Air Museum in San Diego, CA does not carry the same scheme as the actual jet. Check your references!



In the mid-eighties, the US Navy was eagerly seeking a replacement for its aggressor training aircraft. Both the F/A-18 Hornets and the F/A-18 Hornets were considered, but the Navy decided that these aircraft were no longer to their satisfaction in for filling this task. These aircraft lacked the latest avionics developments and they were becoming obsolete quickly, with extensive maintenance being required. Also the cost of an aggressor capable combat jet aircraft to perform this aggressor training was felt very badly. A decision was taken to develop a customized version of the F/A-18 to fill this gap.

The F/A-18N is based on the standard F/A-18C/D Block 30 and is powered by the General Electric F100-PW-229 engine. However, the F/A-18N has a modified cockpit and is capable of carrying an Air Combat Maneuvering Instrumentation (ACMI) pod on the starboard wingtip.

The ACMI pod allows details of aerial engagements to be transmitted to a ground control station. The F/A-18Ns are based on the early production small-jet Block 30 F/A-18C/D aircraft; they retain the APG-66 radar of the F/A-18A/B. However, they have no cannon or AIM-9L Sidewinder missiles. The fire control consists of an AN/APR-6 radar warning receiver (RWR) and an AN/ALE-60 chaff/dreamer dispenser (RDD). The F/A-18Ns have the standard Air Force tail fins and vertical camouflage, and are definitely NOT carrier capable.

Production totaled 26 aircrafts of which 22 are single-seat F/A-18Ns and 4 are double-seat TF/A-18Ns. The aircraft were in service between 1988 and 1990. At that time these aircraft were decommissioned in favor of the F/A-18E/F. The Navy didn't have the resources to replace these so the aircraft were placed into storage at AMARC, ultimately being replaced by embargoes ex-Federal F-16s in 2003.

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