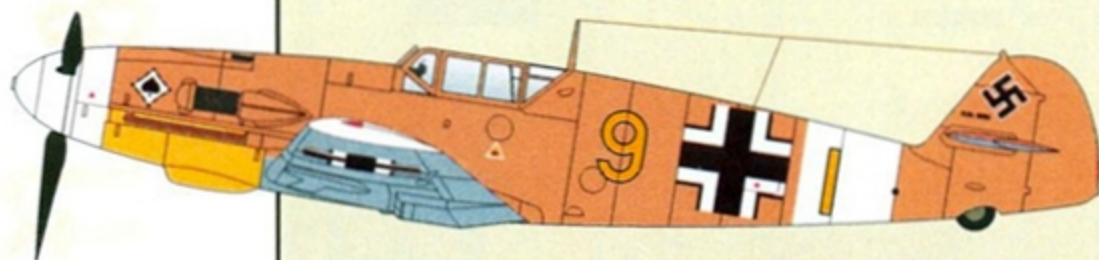


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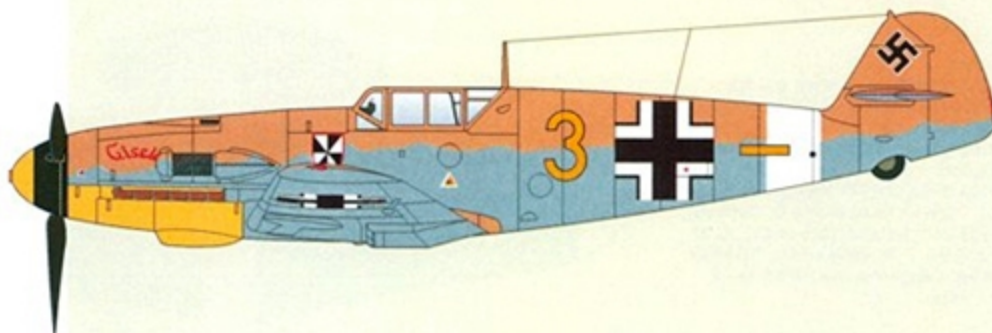
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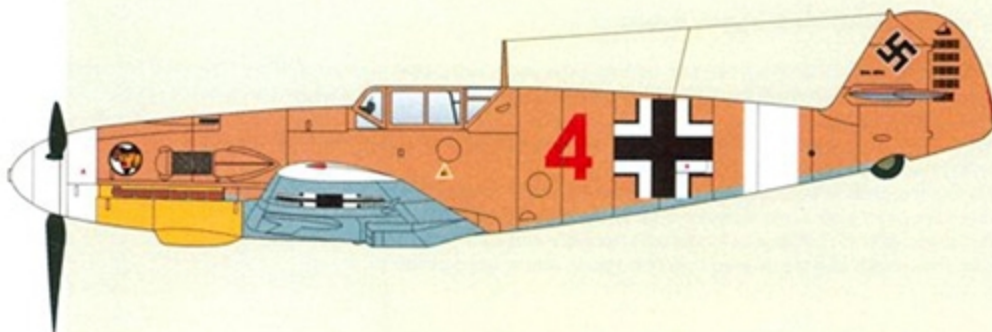
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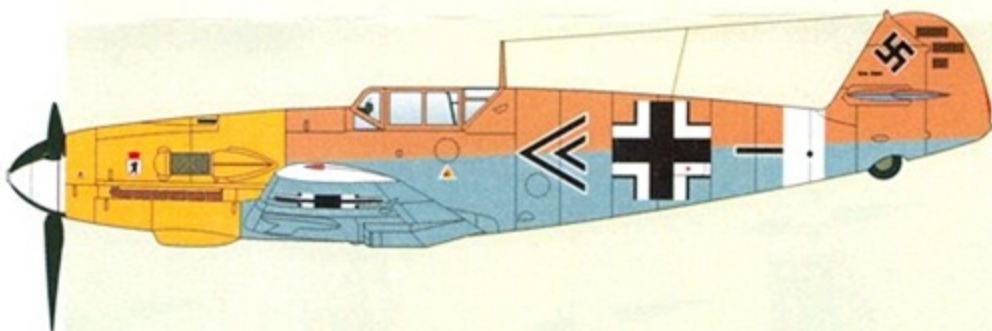
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| A/C Type              | Bf-109F-4 Trop.   |
| Pilot & Unit          | Unteroffizier Franz Schwaiger, 6./JG3.  |
| Locale & Date         | Castel Benito, Libya February.  |
| Camouflage & Markings | Standard North African Camouflage of RLM 79 over 78. Black spinner with RLM 04 tip. White fuselage bands.   |
| Remarks               | Notice that this A/C lacks white wing tips, which was unusual for an A/C in this particular theatre. The pilot of this A/C scored 67 kills and achieved the rank of <i>Staffelkapitan</i> , before losing his life on April 24, 1944. |



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| A/C Type              | Bf-109F-4 Trop.  |
| Pilot & Unit          | Lt. Hans-Arnold Stahlschmidt, <i>Staffelkapitan</i> , 2./JG 27.  |
| Locale & Date         | Quotaifiya, Egypt. August, 1942.   |
| Camouflage & Markings | Overall RLM 79 with RLM 78 undersurfaces and lower cowling. White spinner, fuselage bands, and wing tips.  |
| Remarks               | One of the most successful pilots in the Western Desert, Stahlschmidt was credited with 59 kills before he himself was killed on September 7, 1942. Number 4 may have been outlined in Black. Impossible to see in our photos. |



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| A/C Type              | Bf-109F-4 Trop.  |
| Pilot & Unit          | Hauptmann Wolfgang Lippert, <i>Gruppenkommandeur</i> II./JG 27.  |
| Locale & Date         | Ain El Gazala, Libya. Nov., 1941.  |
| Camouflage & Markings | Standard Camouflage of RLM 79 over 78. Spinner: 1/3 White, 2/3 RLM 70; fuselage band, and wing tips are White.   |
| Remarks               | Lippert was shot down in this A/C on Nov. 23, 1941, after destroying a "Hurricane". Bailing out broke both legs and was taken prisoner. He died in a Cairo hospital, following a leg amputation on Dec. 3, 1941. |



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| A/C Type              | Bf-109F-4 Trop.   |
| Pilot & Unit          | <i>Oberfeldwebel</i> Otto Schulz, 6./JG 27.   |
| Locale & Date         | Tmimi, Libya. May, 1942.  |
| Camouflage & Markings | As A/C 3.   |
| Remarks               | Totaled 51 kills before falling victim to a Kittyhawk near Sisi Rezegh on June 17, 1942. Pilot known as Ein-Zwei-Drei Otto. |



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| A/C Type              | Bf-109F-4 Trop.  |
| Unit                  | 9./ JG 53, "Pik As".   |
| Locale & Date         | Libya. 1942.   |
| Camouflage & Markings | Overall RLM 79 with RLM 78 undersurfaces. White spinner, fuselage band, and wing tips. |
| Remarks               | A/C lost on June 12, 1942 while being flown by Fw. Heinz Herkenhorff.                  |



Note: All these A/C had the deeper oil cooler (Bf-109F-4). Armour glass on windscreen not common on desert 109s, because grit became trapped between panels.

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A/C 1

A/C 2

A/C 3

A/C 4

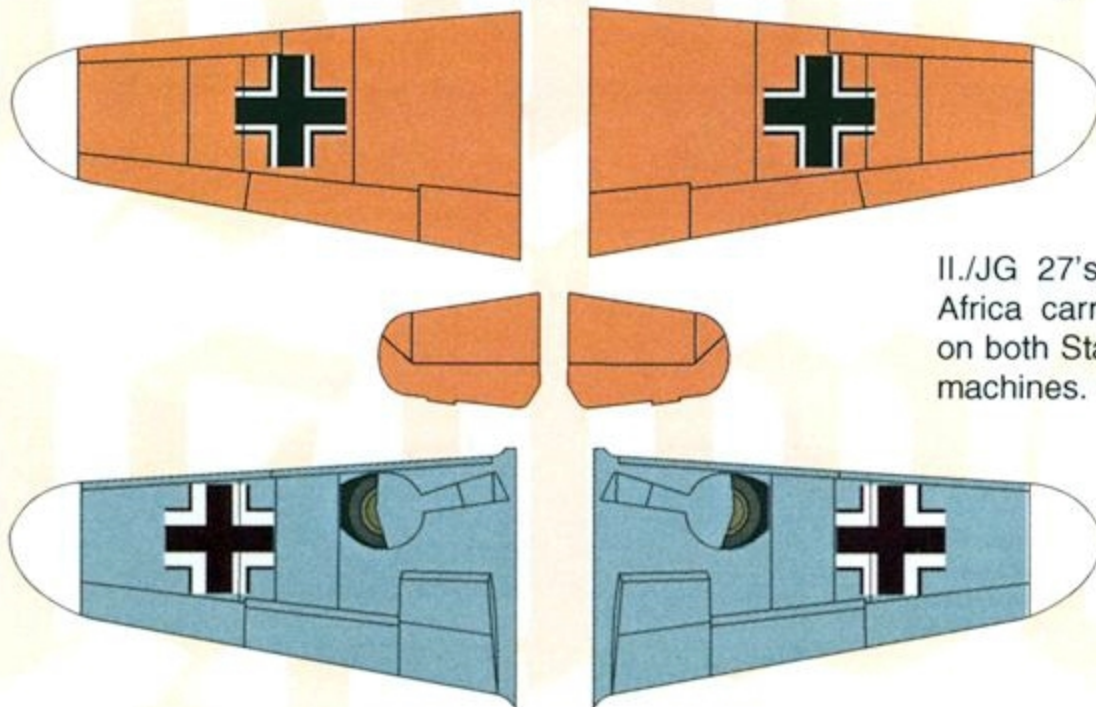
A/C 5



## Color Swatches



We are uncertain as to whether or not A/C 2, 5 and 6 had White upper wing tips. Notice W.Nr. usually appears on left side only. Extras provided.



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II./JG 27's 109Fs, the first in N. Africa carried lower Yellow cowls on both Staff and 4, 5 and 6 staffel machines. Nov. 1941.

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Decaling: Apply decals only to a glossy surface.

1. With a sharp scissors or knife, carefully cut item to be used, being careful of not cutting off the clear film around it or that belonging to an adjacent item.
2. Submerge in clean tap water for over 10 seconds and lay over an absorbent paper towel. Decal will slide freely in about 20 seconds. Do not leave decal on water bowl over ten seconds, or adhesive quality will suffer.
3. With a clean brush, apply a setting solution to the area where the decal will finally lay. (Micro, Super or Aero Set will do). With a clean pointed brush slide the decal on to the final area. Allow the setting solution to dry for about 3-5 minutes.
4. With another clean brush, apply a solvent solution over the decal (Micro, Super or Aero Sol will do). Do this if possible in one stroke since your decal will soften up and wrinkle immediately. This is an important step in the process, whatever you do DO NOT TOUCH THE DECAL, after this process until it is totally dry, preferably overnight.
5. When thoroughly dry, rinse your model with tap water and mild soap to wash of excess glue.
6. Finish your model with the desired final coat (gloss, flat, or semi-gloss).



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