

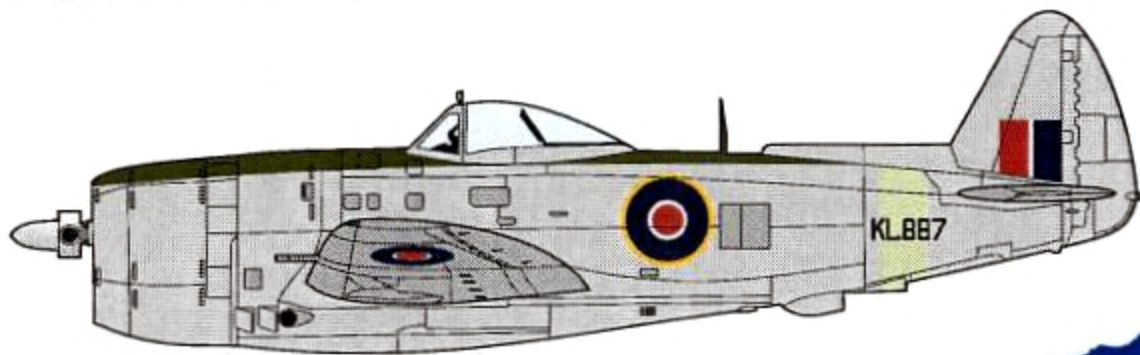
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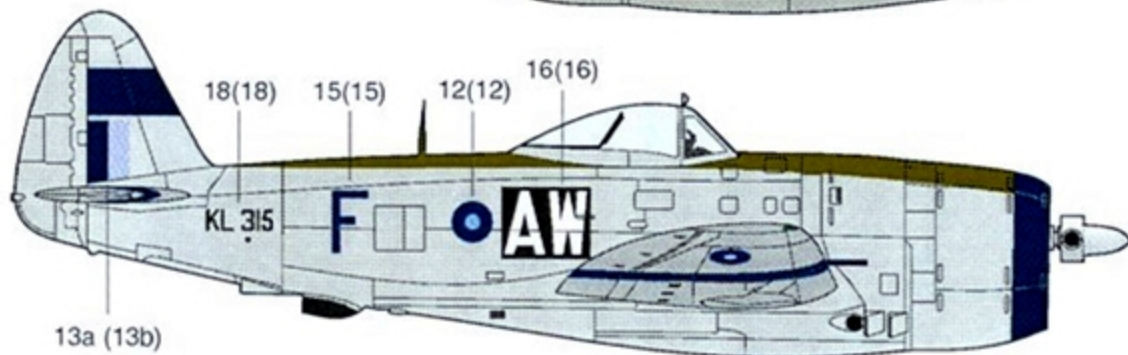
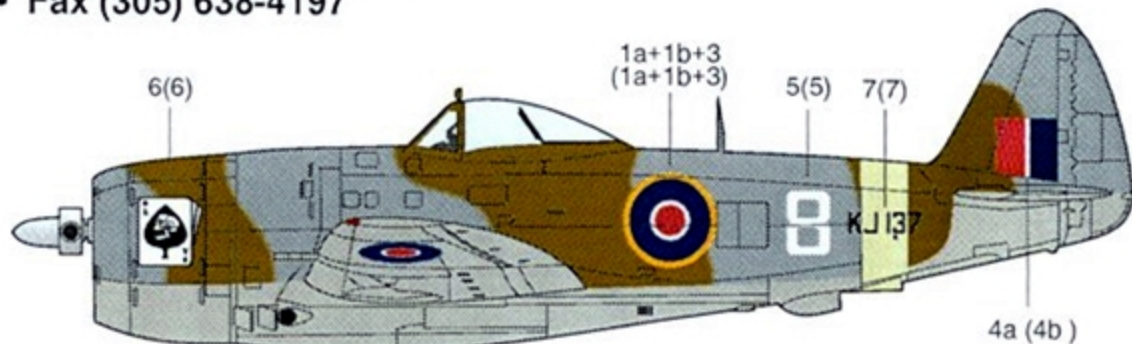


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I P-47D-28-RE (44-1962B)

73 Operational Training Unit, Egypt, early 1945. Camouflage finish is US factory applied colors of Olive Drab and Sea Gray, with ANA 602 light Gray undersides. Curtiss Electric 836 propeller.



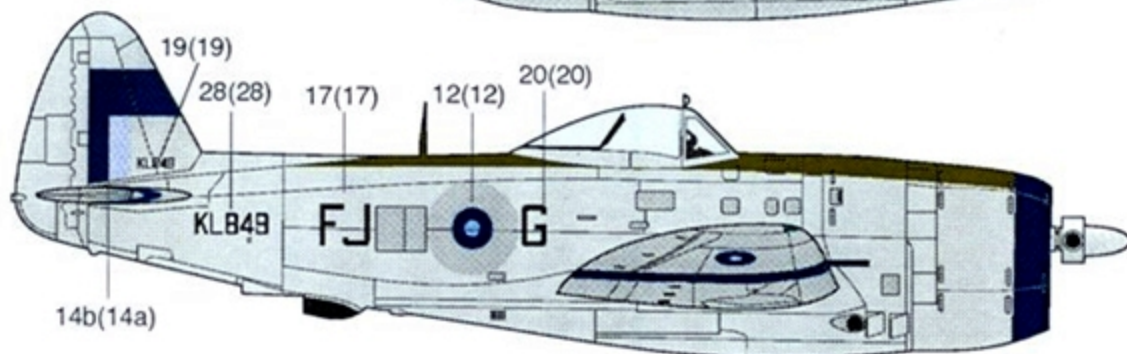
II P-47D-30-RE (44-20904)

34 Squadron, Meiktila, 1945. Aircraft overall weathered Natural Metal finish with Dark Green anti-glare panel and Dark (roundel) Blue SEAC bands around cowl, wings and fin. Curtiss Electric 836 propeller.



III P-47D-30-RE (44-19832)

134/ 131 Squadron, India, 1945. Camouflage finish of Dark Green and Dark Earth with Medium Sea Grey undersides. White SEAC bands. Curtiss Electric 836 propeller.



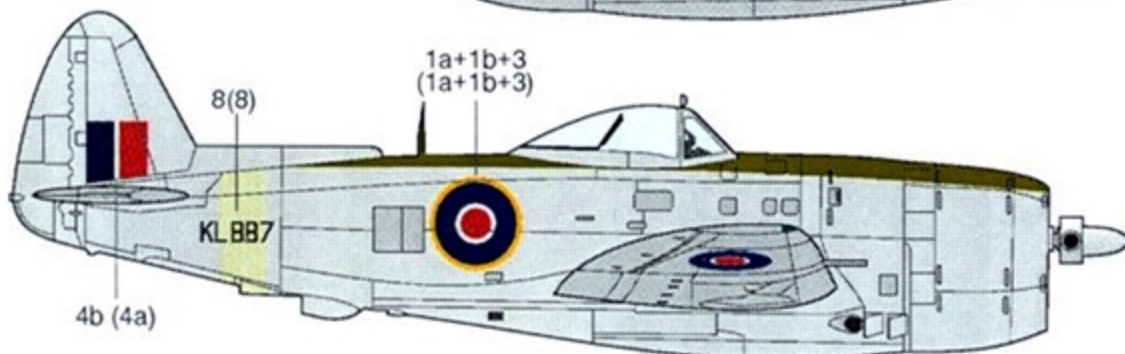
IV P-47D-30-RA (44-90087)

261 Squadron, Myingyan North, India 1945 (flown by Sqdn Ldr R. H. Fletcher). Aircraft overall dull natural metal finish with heavily weathered dark green anti-glare panel. Traces of original roundels visible behind SEAC markings. Dark (roundel) blue bands around cowl, wings and fin. Curtiss Electric 836 propeller.



V P-47D-30-RE

146 Squadron, India, 1945 (flown by Bob Bourn). Camouflage finish of Dark Green and Dark Earth with Medium Sea Grey undersides. White SEAC bands. Curtiss Electric 836 propeller.

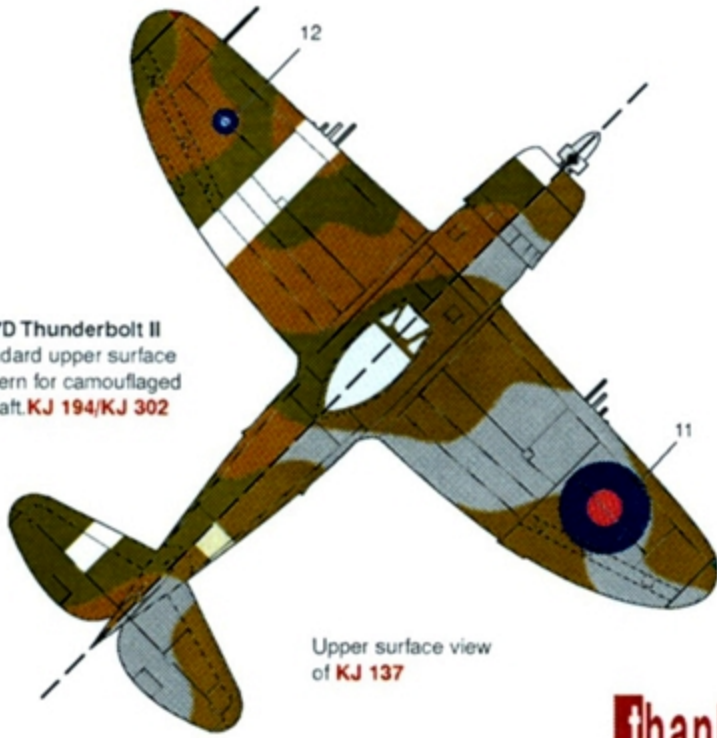


VI P-47D-40-RA (44-90335)

51 MU, UK. Aircraft overall weathered Natural Metal finish with Dark Green anti-glare panel and Sky band. Slightly deeper fin fillet and Curtiss Electric 836 propeller. The last P-47D to be delivered to the RAF, the aircraft was scrapped at RAF Lichfield in 1947.

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P-47D Thunderbolt II
Standard upper surface
pattern for camouflaged
aircraft. **KJ 194/KJ 302**



Upper surface view
of **KJ 137**

Notes:

When Thunderbolt II's (like KJ 137) were dispatched from the USA, they were painted in US equivalents of RAF colors: Olive Drab was substituted for Dark Green, Sea Gray replaced Ocean Grey and ANA 602 Light Gray for Medium Sea Grey.

Aircraft arriving with RAF South East Asia Command units were either wholly or partially repainted in Dark Green and Dark Earth and Medium Sea Grey. In some instances, crews simply painted out the Sea Gray with Dark Earth. In many instances, the hot, humid conditions lead to the Dark Earth fading to a muddy brown. There is little evidence that any SEAC Thunderbolt II's ever wore grey as an upper surface finish - certainly never Ocean Grey as often gets quoted.

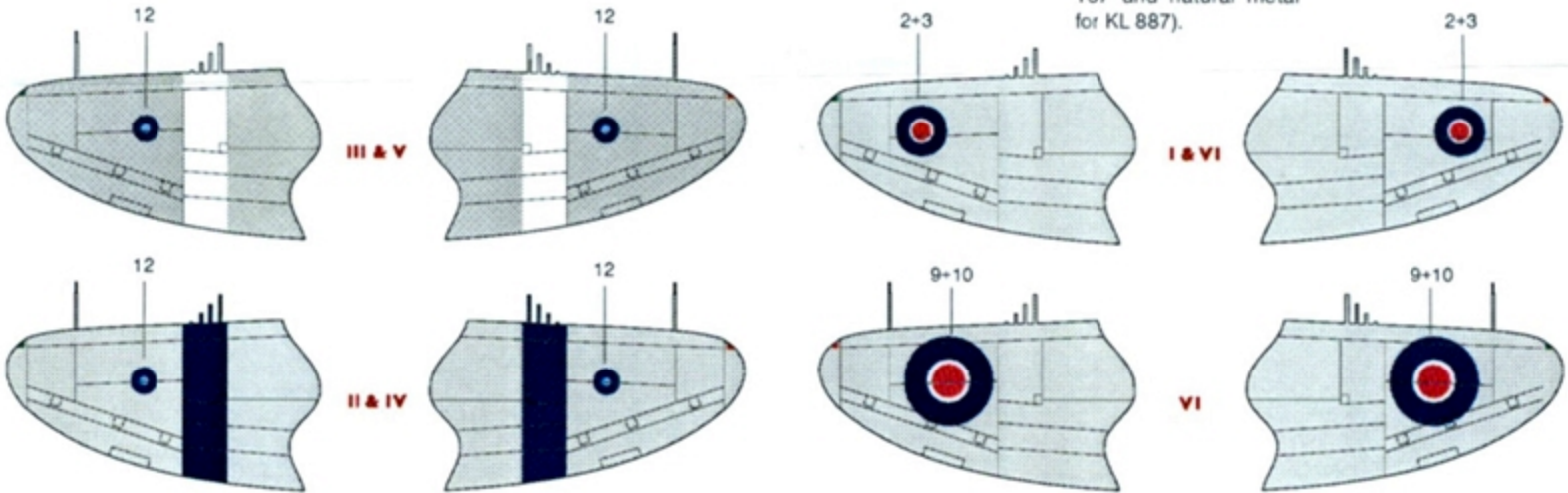
The SEAC aircraft on this sheet wore white id bands, 28 inch across the wings, 17 inch on the cowlings and 18 inch partially across the fin and tailplanes. When the aircraft were later stripped back to natural metal, Roundel Blue replaced the white.

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KJ 137 & KL 887

Wing undersides (ANA 602 Light Gray for KJ 137 and natural metal for KL 887).



KL 315 & KL 849
Wing upper and lower
surfaces (natural metal).
Roundel Blue wing
bands



KL 887
Upper surfaces (natural
metal).

Suggested Kits:

Hasegawa or Monogram 1:48 P-47D

References:

1. RAF Thunderbolts by Geoff Thomas (Air Research Publications).
2. Eye of The Phoenix (Airfix magazine series 1980-1981).

Recommended AeroMaster Washed Colors Enamels			
9001	Black	9012	Flat Clear
9002	White	9013	Semi Gloss Clear
9003	Yellow	9110	Dk. Earth
9004	Blue	9111	Dark Green
9005	Red	9113	Medium Sea Grey
9010	Tire Black	9114	Sky
9011	Glaze		

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