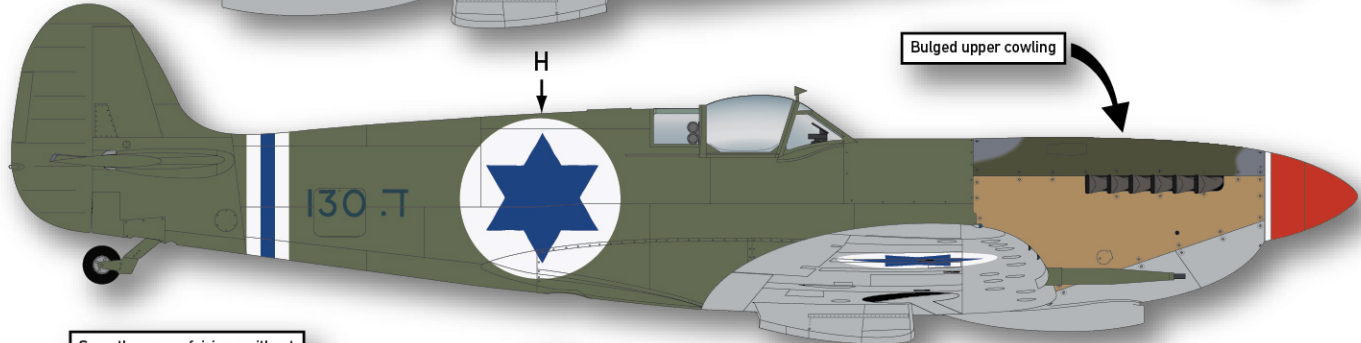
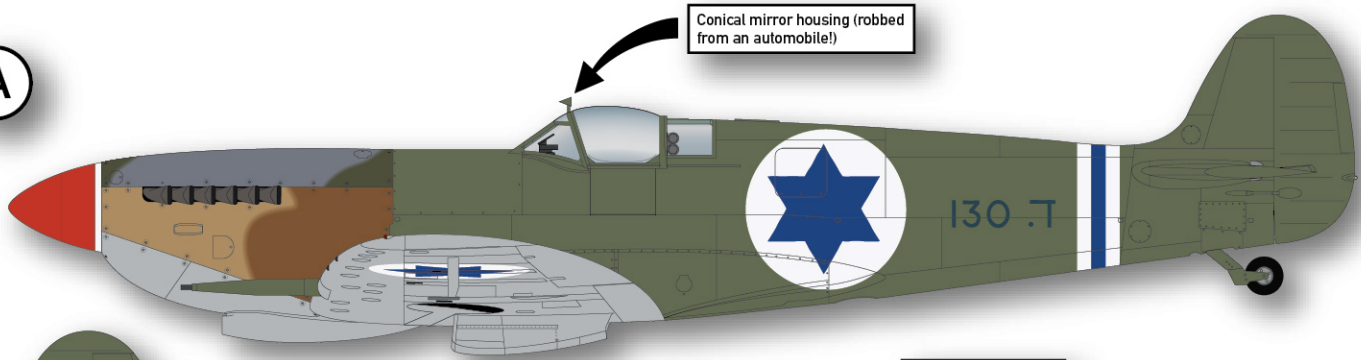




*Spitfires
of the
Israeli Air Force*

The logo features a central emblem of a Spitfire aircraft with its wings spread, set against a light blue background. The aircraft is superimposed on a circular background that is a gradient from light blue at the top to light red at the bottom. The text "Spitfires of the Israeli Air Force" is written in a dark blue, cursive font across the center of the emblem.

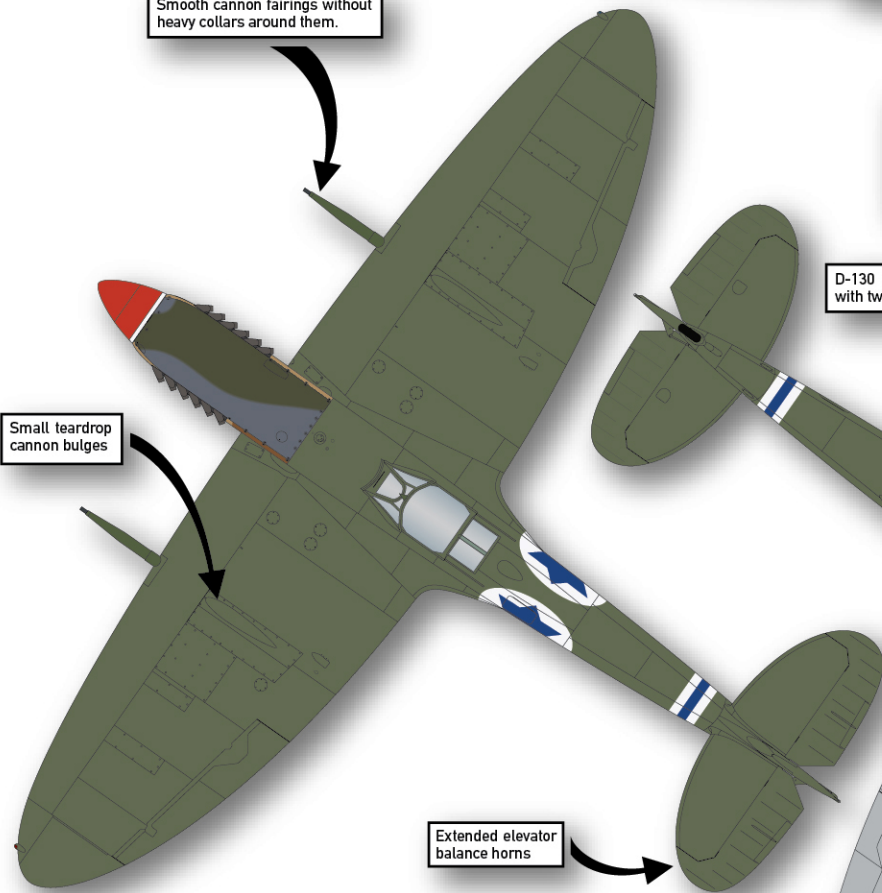
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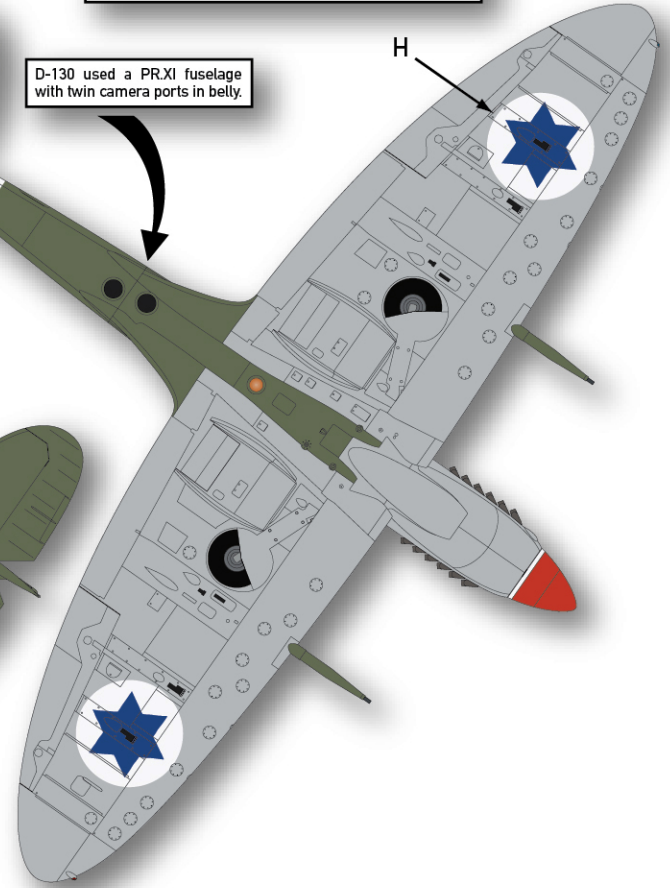
Smooth cannon fairings without heavy collars around them.

Detail Note

If ever there was a "Frankenspit," D-130 was it. Her fuselage came from a PR.XI (EN661), her wings were from a Mk.IXc. She had her PR windscreen replaced with a standard armored fighter type windscreen, her cowling panels came from RAF and Egyptian Mk.IX wrecks, and her rear view mirror was robbed from an automobile!

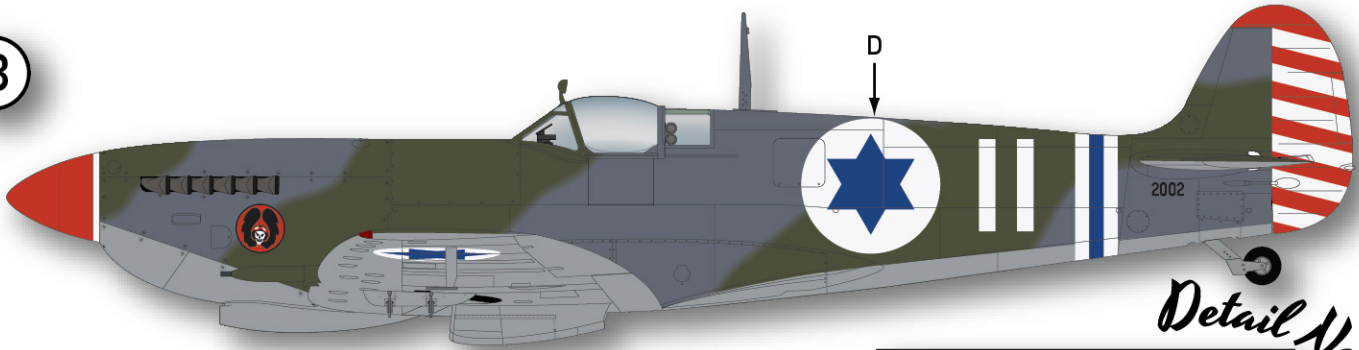


D-130 used a PR.XI fuselage with twin camera ports in belly.



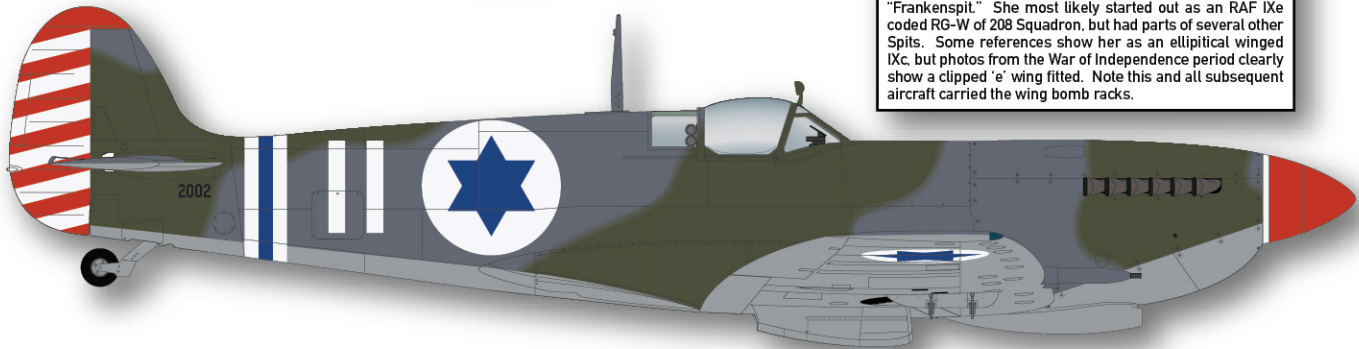
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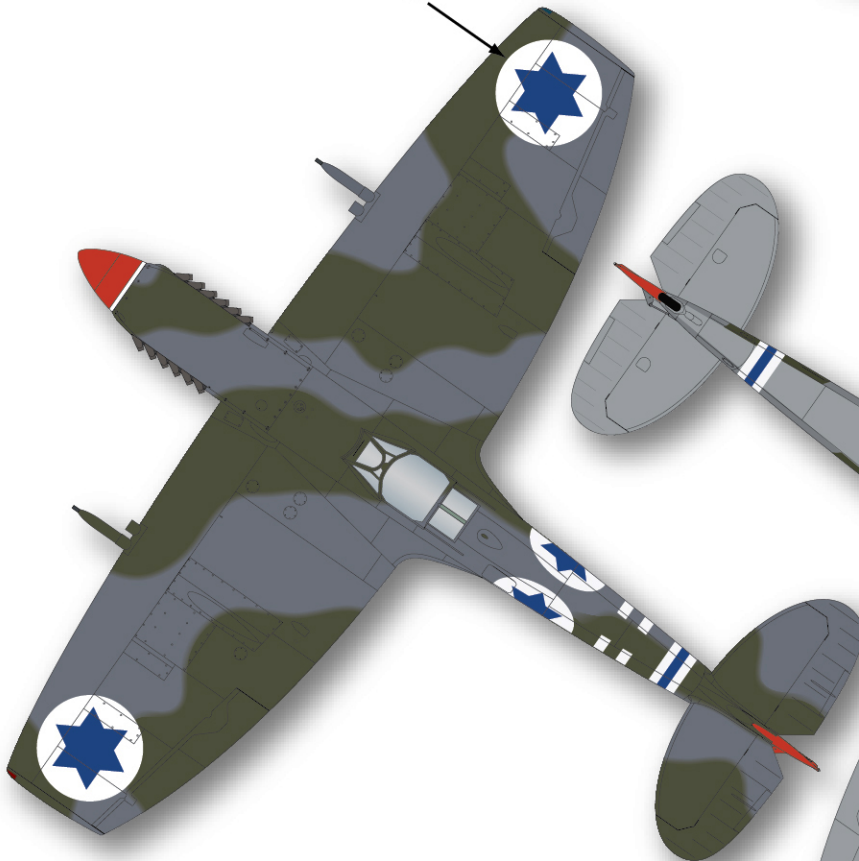


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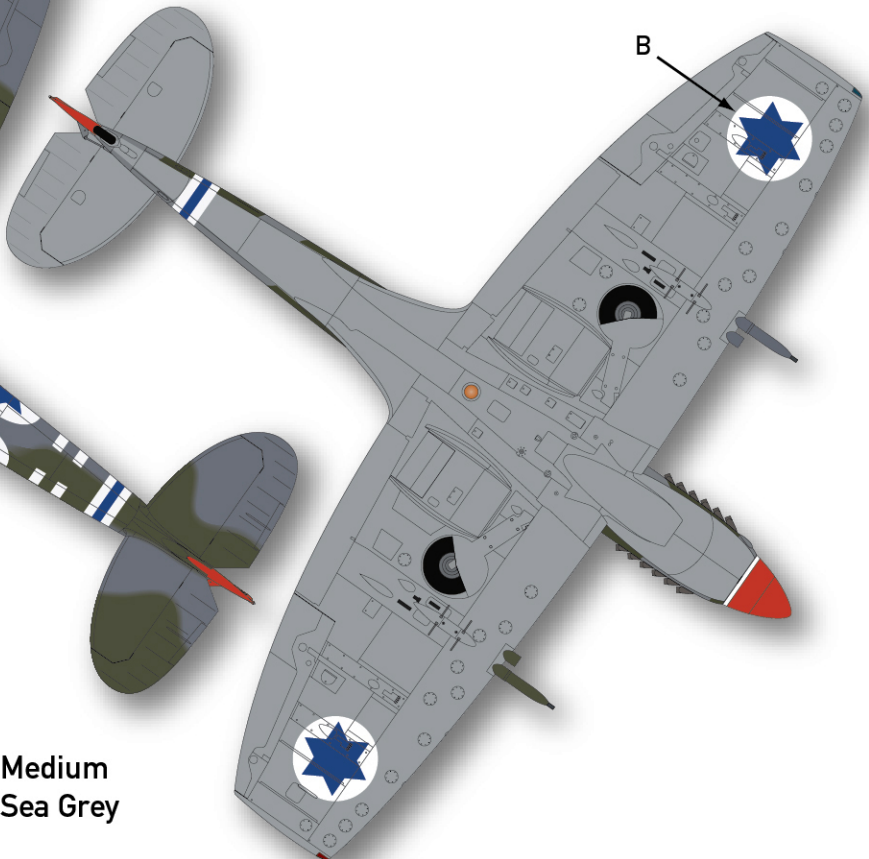
Built from parts of several wrecks left by the RAF at Ein Shemer near Haifa, originally D-131, later 2002 was another "Frankenspit." She most likely started out as an RAF IXe coded RG-W of 208 Squadron, but had parts of several other Spits. Some references show her as an elliptical winged IXc, but photos from the War of Independence period clearly show a clipped 'e' wing fitted. Note this and all subsequent aircraft carried the wing bomb racks.



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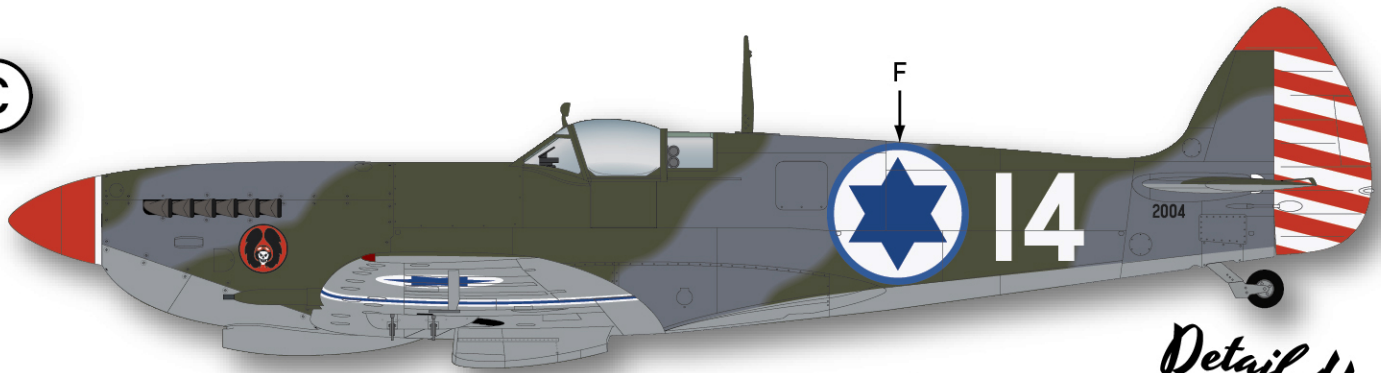


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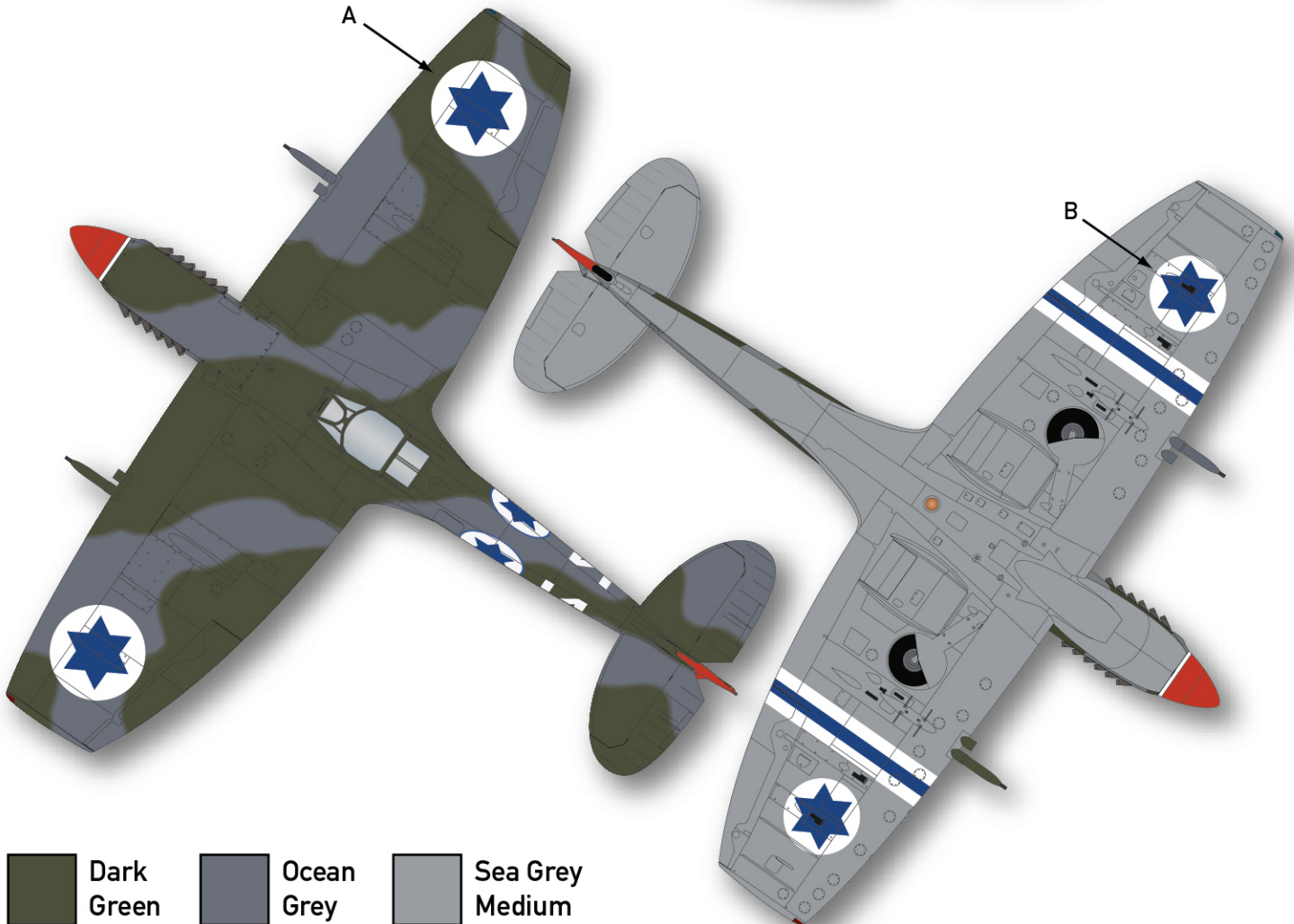
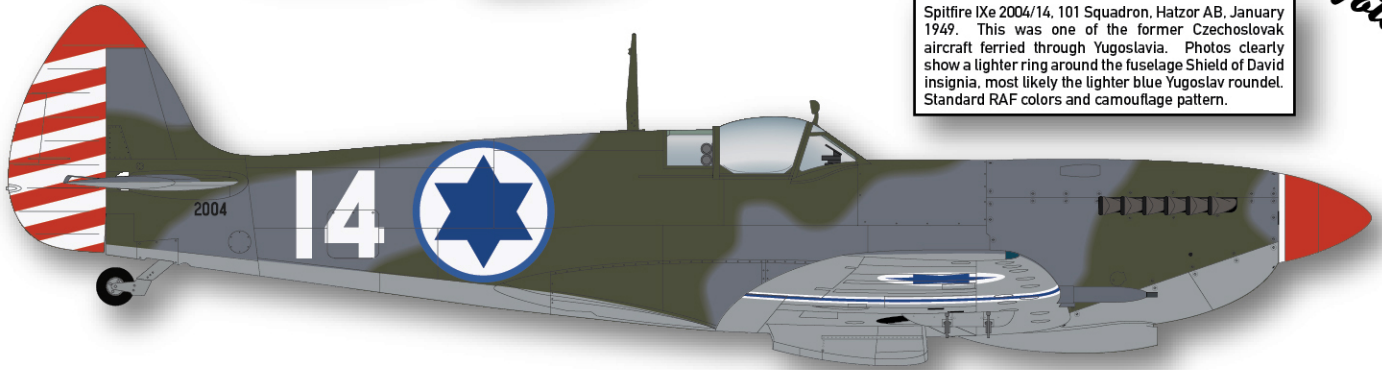
	Dark Green		Ocean Grey		Medium Sea Grey
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(C)



Detail Note

Spitfire IXe 2004/14, 101 Squadron, Hatzor AB, January 1949. This was one of the former Czechoslovak aircraft ferried through Yugoslavia. Photos clearly show a lighter ring around the fuselage Shield of David insignia, most likely the lighter blue Yugoslav roundel. Standard RAF colors and camouflage pattern.



Dark Green



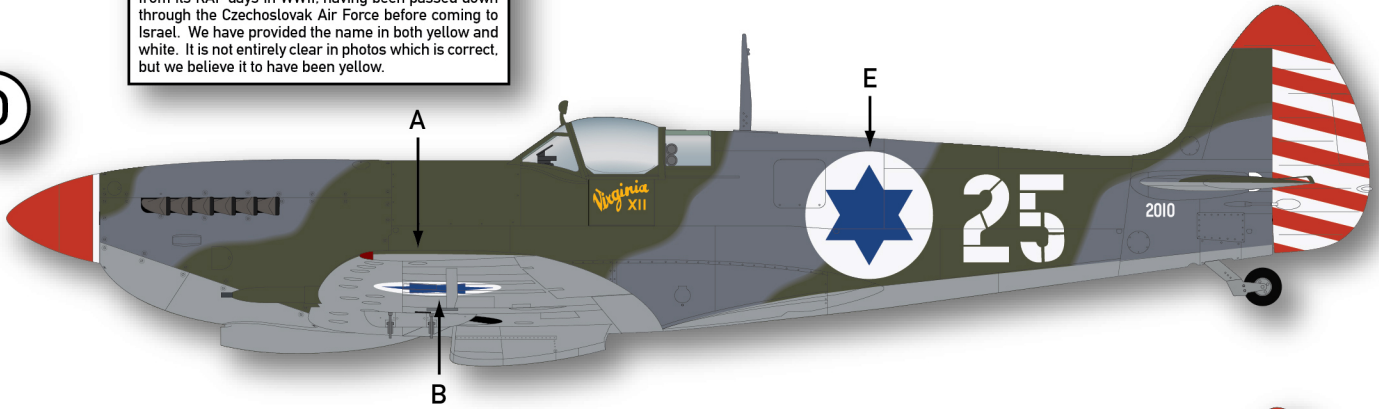
Ocean Grey



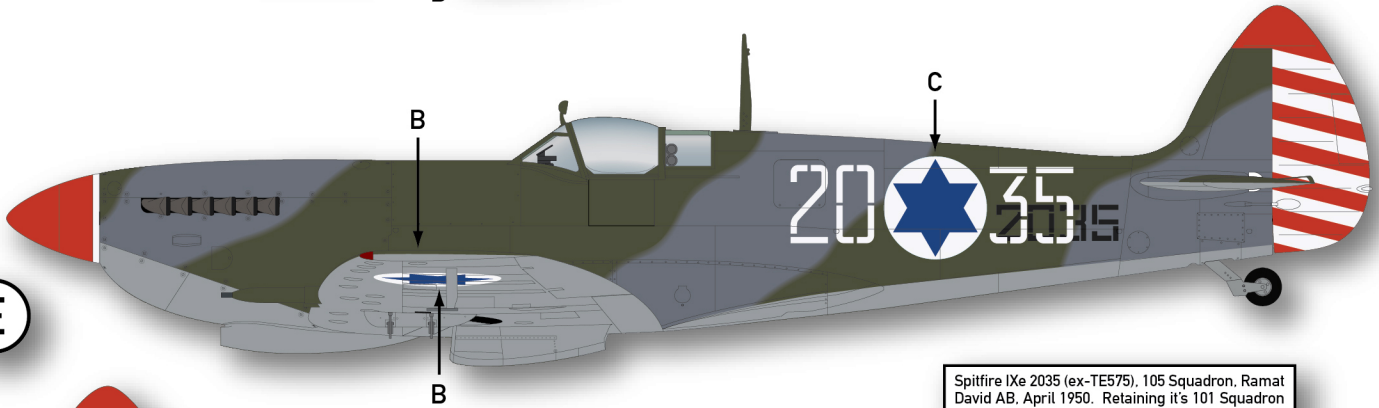
Sea Grey Medium

Spitfire IXe 2010/25, 101 Squadron, Hatzor AB, January 1949. It is believed the name "Virginia XII" was left over from its RAF days in WWII, having been passed down through the Czechoslovak Air Force before coming to Israel. We have provided the name in both yellow and white. It is not entirely clear in photos which is correct, but we believe it to have been yellow.

D



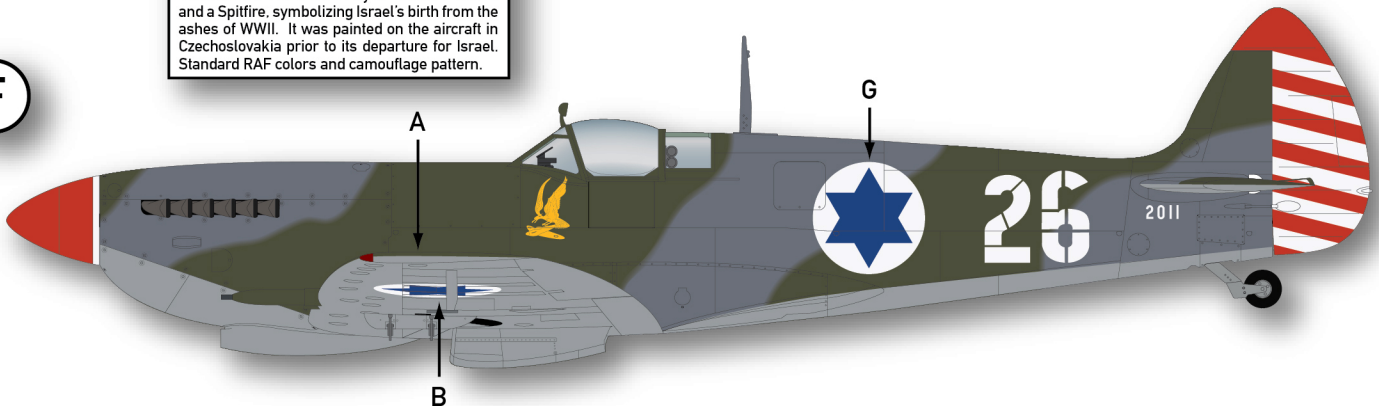
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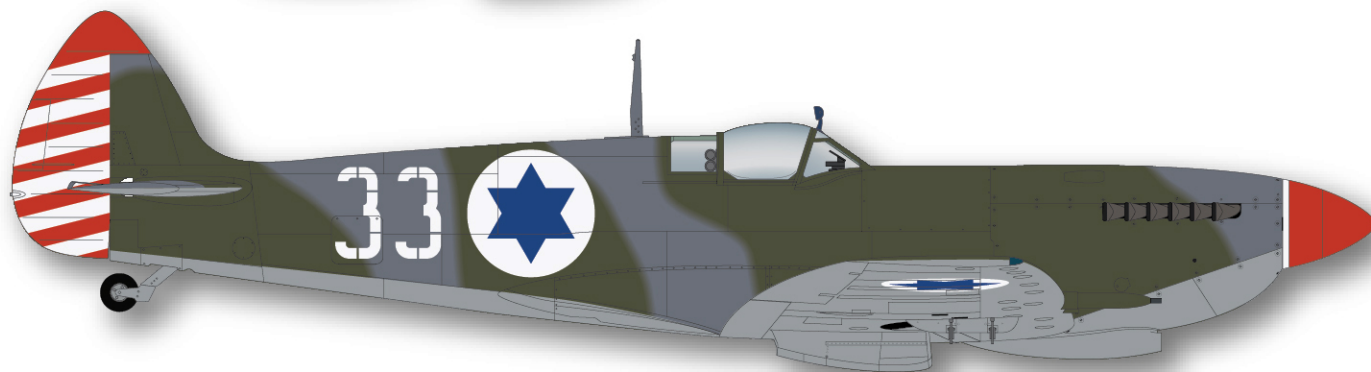
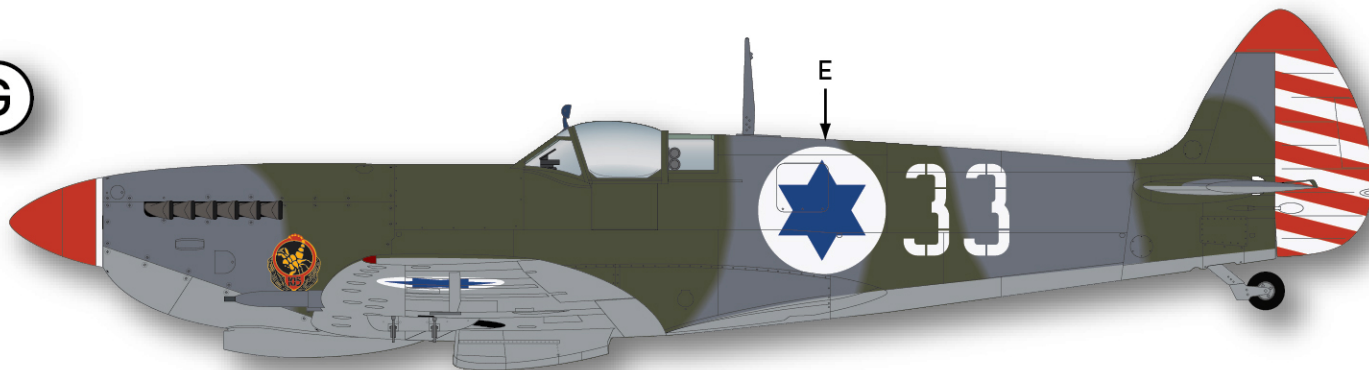
Spitfire IXe 2035 (ex-TE575), 105 Squadron, Ramat David AB, April 1950. Retaining it's 101 Squadron colors, this was an early 105 Squadron aircraft displaying a rather unique style of serial number presentation. Standard RAF colors and pattern.

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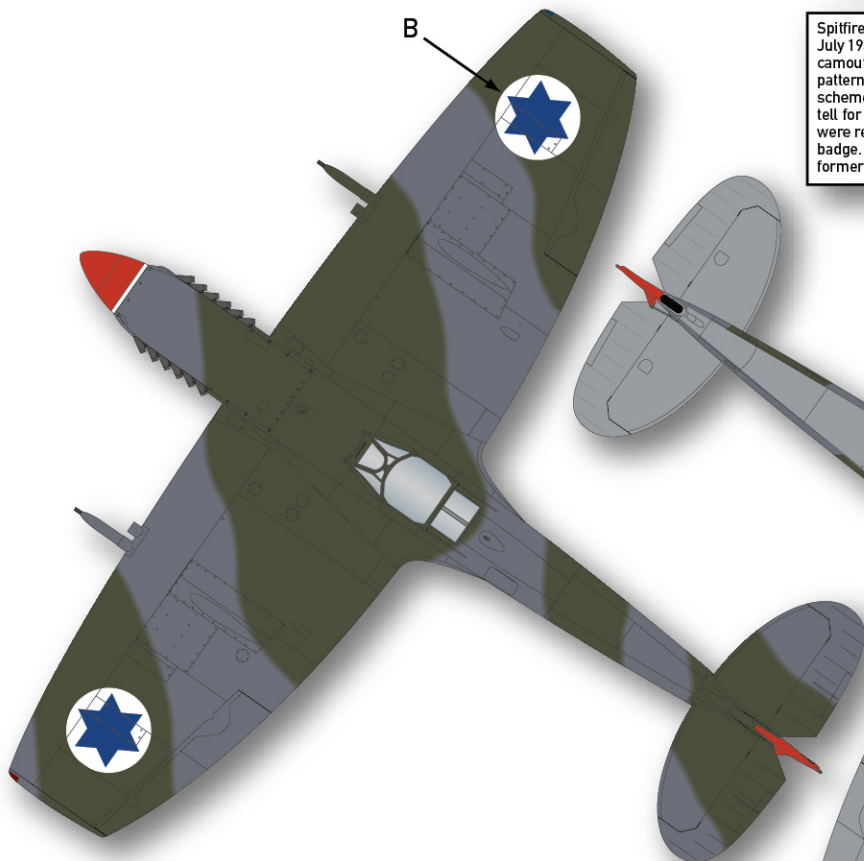
Spitfire IXe 2011/26, 101 Squadron, Hatzor AB, January 1949. Former Czechoslovak aircraft. The artwork is meant to symbolize a Phoenix and a Spitfire, symbolizing Israel's birth from the ashes of WWII. It was painted on the aircraft in Czechoslovakia prior to its departure for Israel. Standard RAF colors and camouflage pattern.



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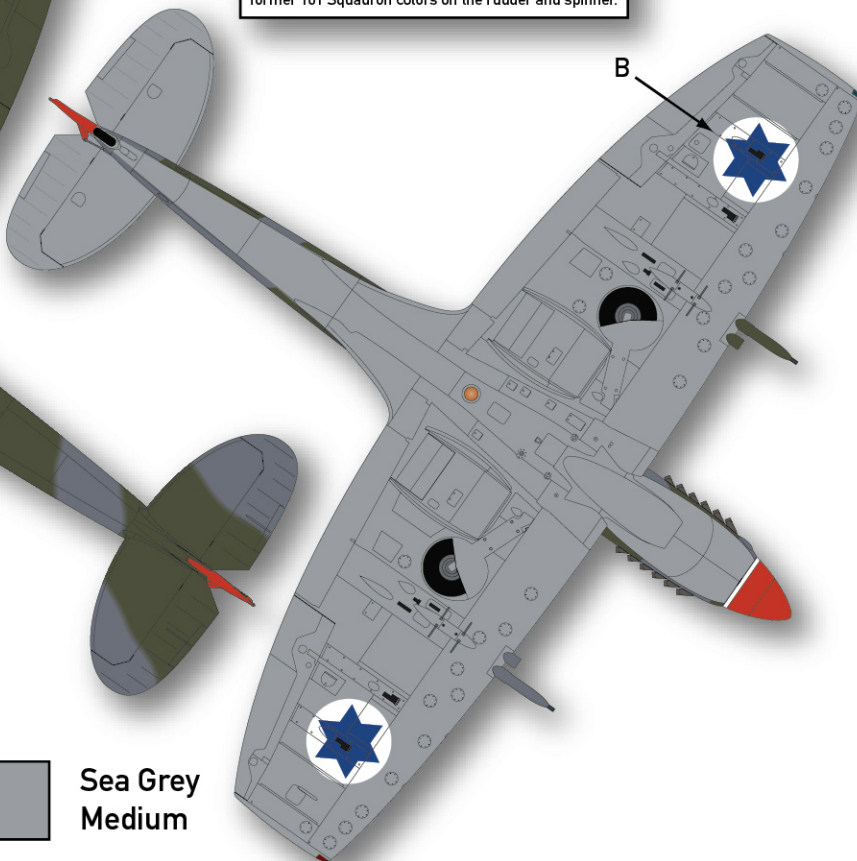


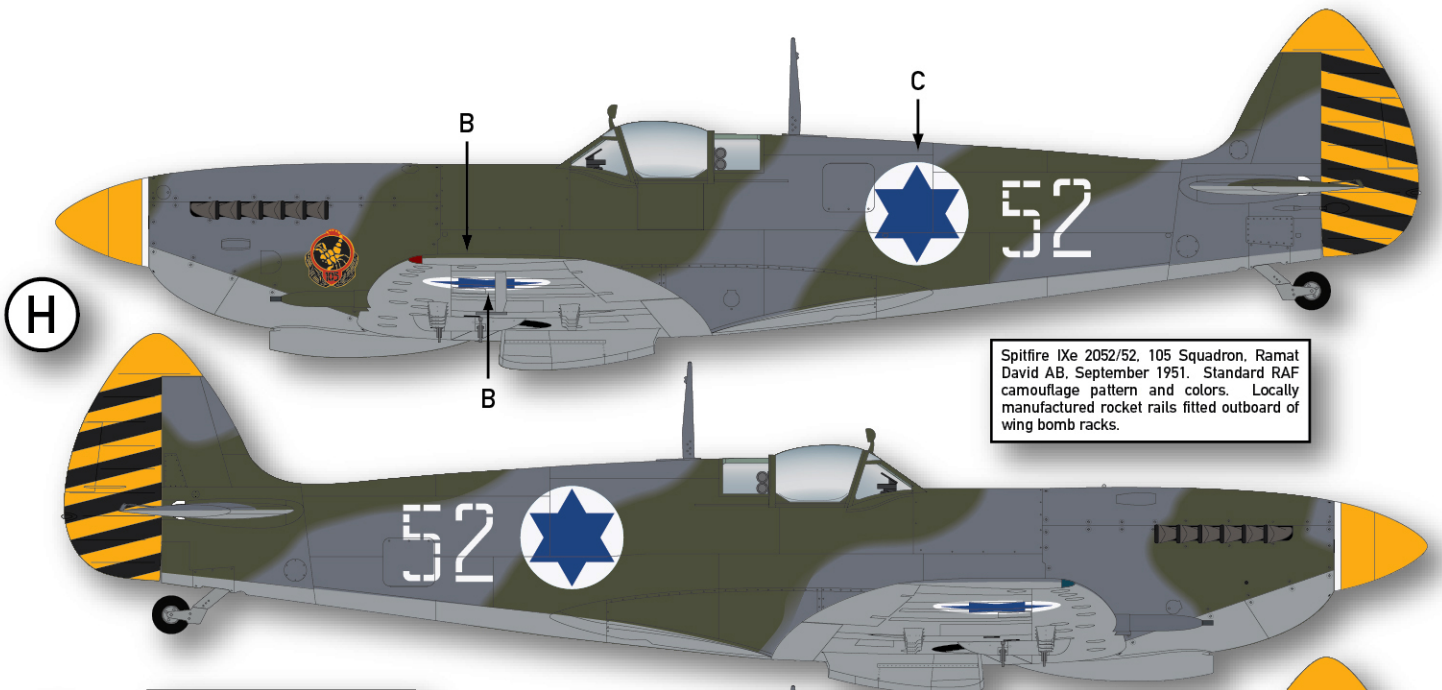
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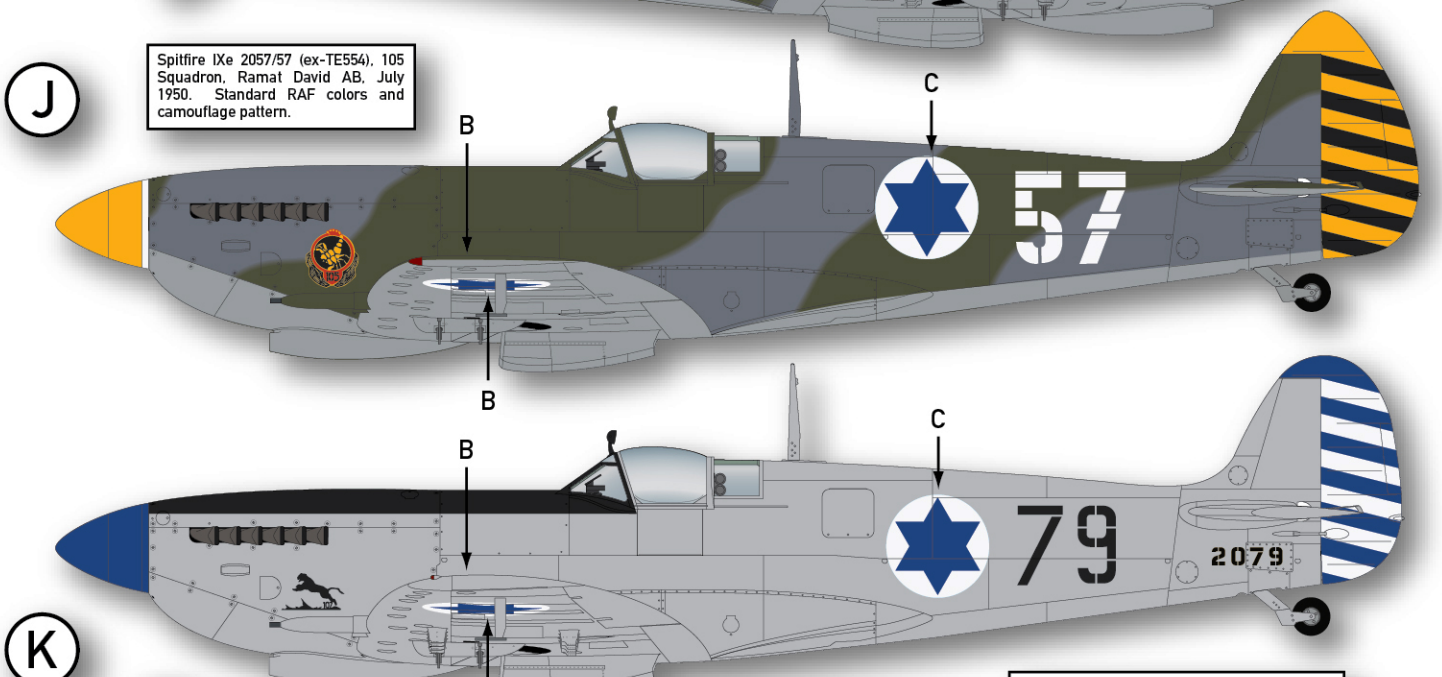
Spitfire IXe 2077/33, 105 Squadron, Ramat David AB, July 1951. This machine is something of a mystery. The camouflage pattern does not match either the RAF pattern, nor the general style of the later blue/sand IDF scheme. In a black and white photo it is impossible to tell for certain whether the spinner and rudder stripes were red or yellow, but it clearly carries a 105 Squadron badge. We have portrayed it with RAF colors and former 101 Squadron colors on the rudder and spinner.

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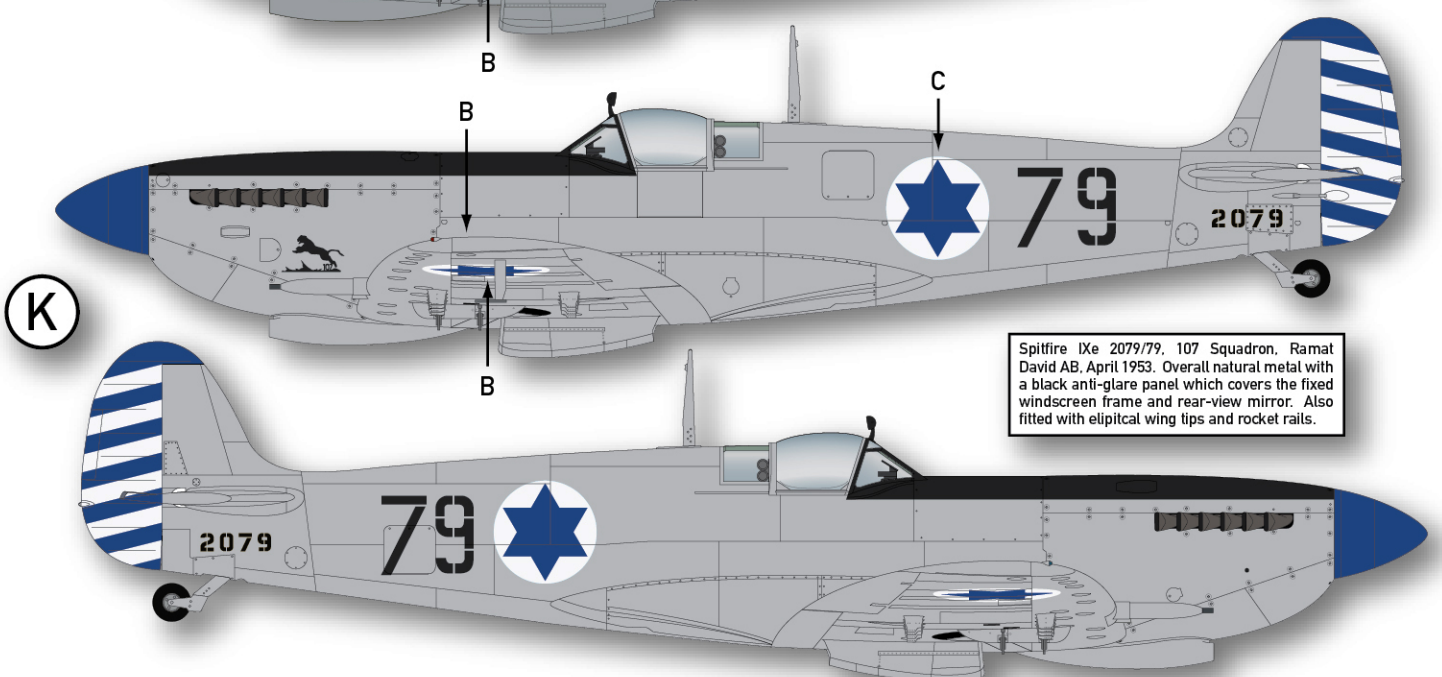




Spitfire IXe 2052/52, 105 Squadron, Ramat David AB, September 1951. Standard RAF camouflage pattern and colors. Locally manufactured rocket rails fitted outboard of wing bomb racks.



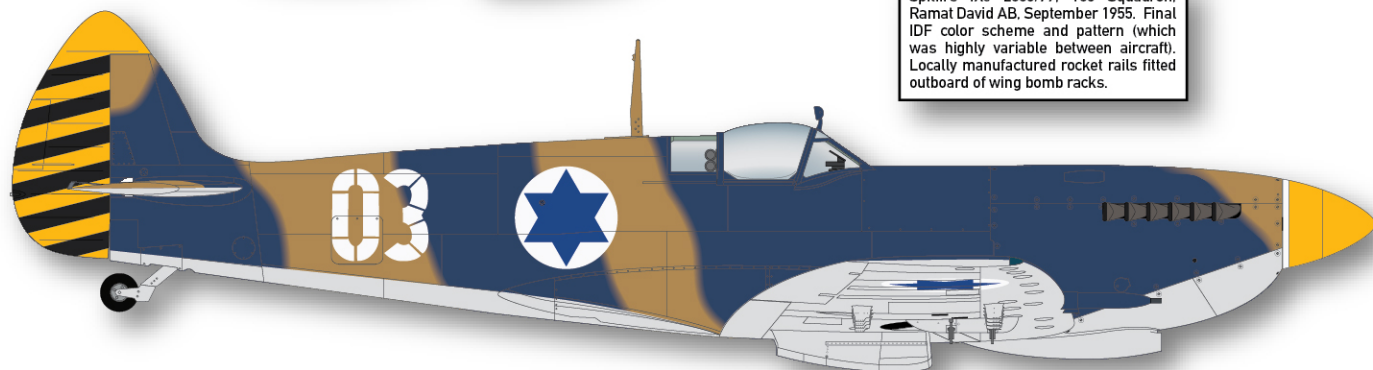
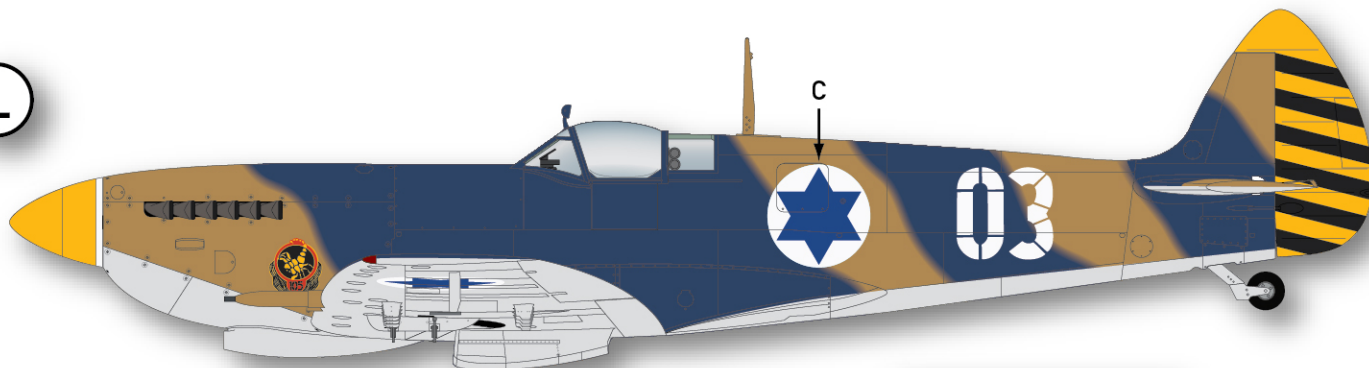
Spitfire IXe 2057/57 (ex-TE554), 105 Squadron, Ramat David AB, July 1950. Standard RAF colors and camouflage pattern.



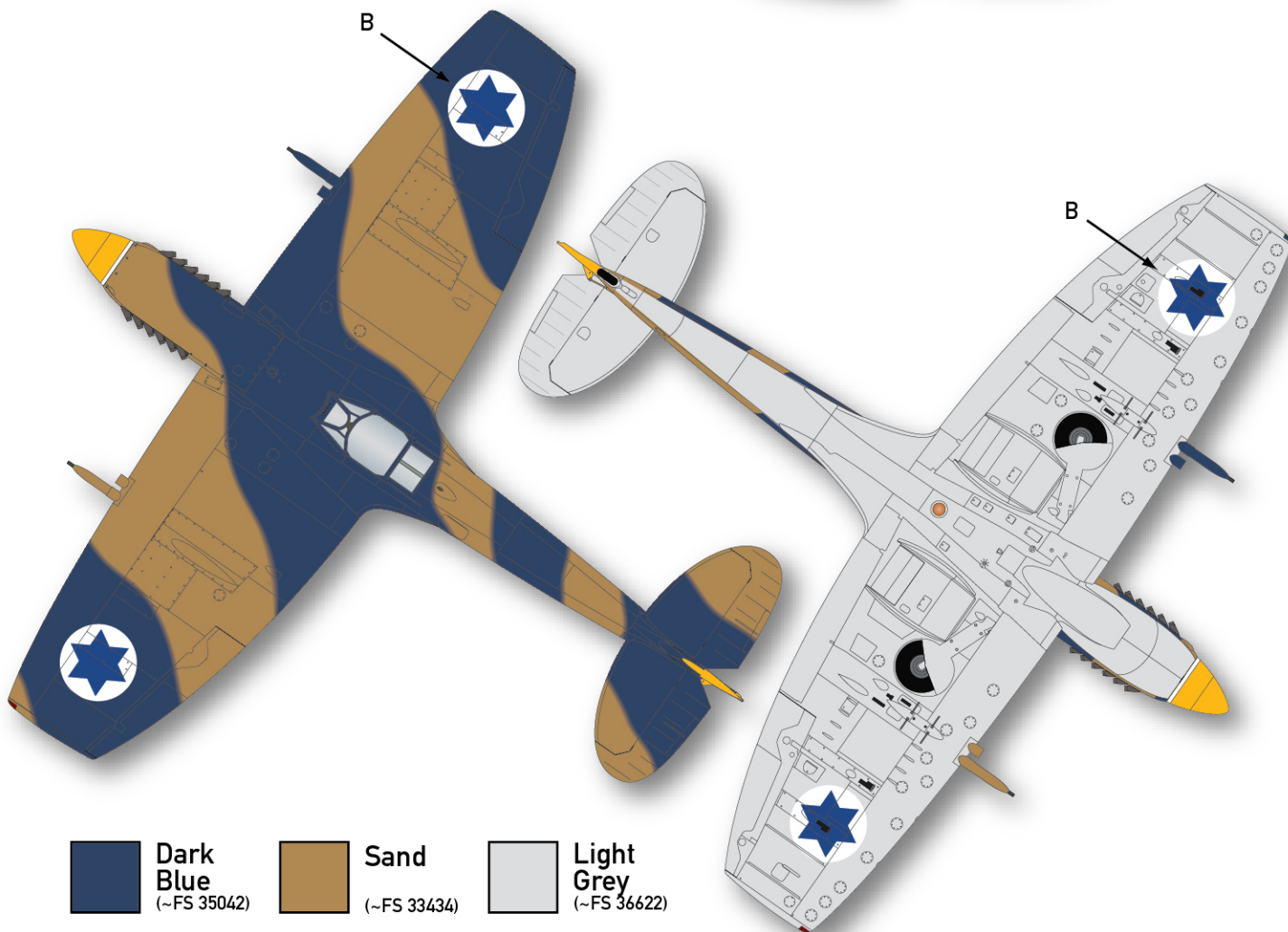
Spitfire IXe 2079/79, 107 Squadron, Ramat David AB, April 1953. Overall natural metal with a black anti-glare panel which covers the fixed windscreen frame and rear-view mirror. Also fitted with elliptical wing tips and rocket rails.

-  Dark Green
-  Ocean Grey
-  Sea Grey Medium
-  Natural Metal

(L)



Spitfire IXe 2003/79, 105 Squadron, Ramat David AB, September 1955. Final IDF color scheme and pattern (which was highly variable between aircraft). Locally manufactured rocket rails fitted outboard of wing bomb racks.

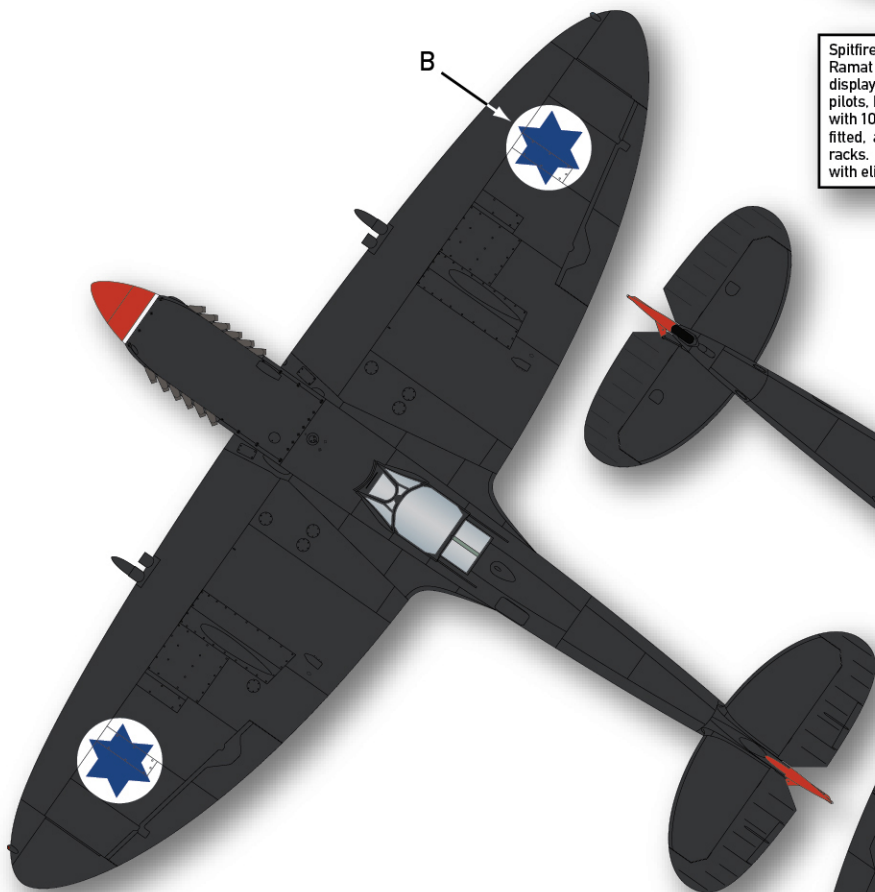
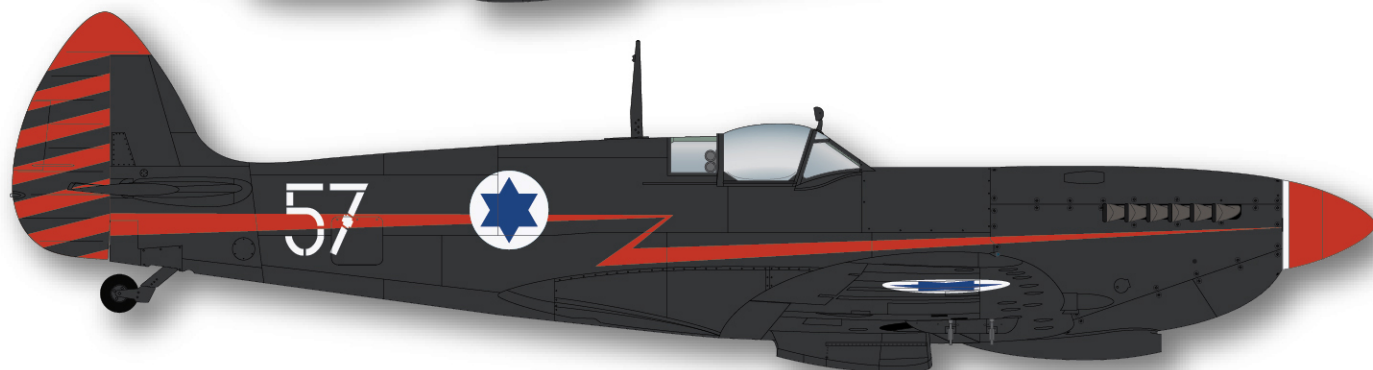
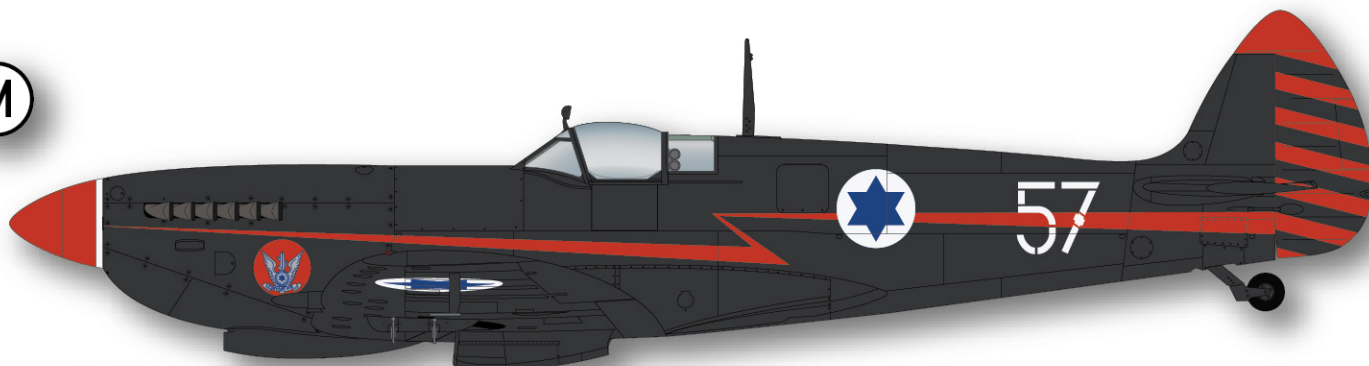


Dark Blue
(~FS 35042)

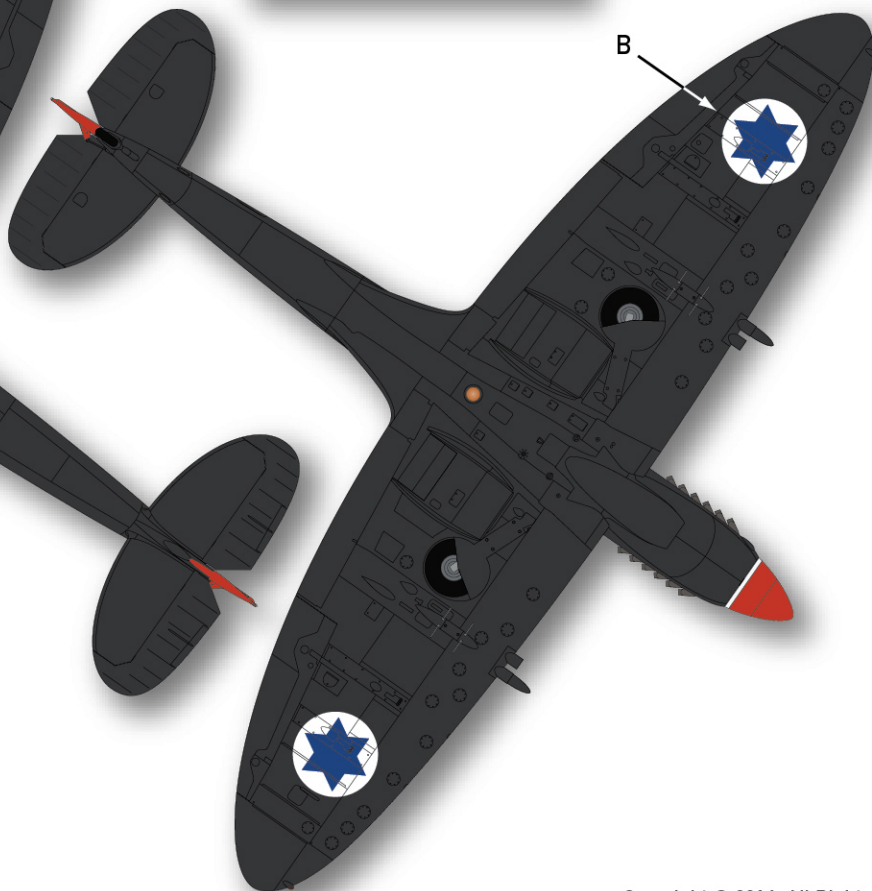
Sand
(~FS 33434)

Light Grey
(~FS 36622)

(M)



Spitfire IXe 2057/57 (ex-TE554), 105 Squadron, Ramat David AB, June 1955. Flown for air displays by one of the IDF's most famous fighter pilots, Ezer Weizman. Overall semi-gloss black with 105 Squadron markings. Elliptical wing tips fitted, and the aircraft retains the wing bomb racks. Outboard cannons have been replaced with elliptical stub fairings - no armament fitted.



 Semi-gloss Black