

Eduard 1/48th Scale Focke-Wulf Fw 190D-11

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This is the 1/48th scale Eduard Fw 190D-11, finished as Red 4, JV 44, Papagei Staffel, pilot, Leutnant Karl-Heinz Hofmann. I added my own seat belts and brake lines. Cannon are vinyl covered paper clips. Paints are WEM and decals are EagleCals. This is my first finished model for this year, three weeks from the kit's arrival (Squadron Sale) to finish,

pretty quick for me. It would seem that my clear coats ate up much of the contrast between the 82 and 83 greens.

EagleCals provide the old side codes full strength, but on the real plane they had been obliterated to an extent. I sanded them down to where they looked about right, then applied two brush coats of Micro Scale Decal Maker. Still a bit delicate to handle, but they came out as I had desired. This airplane was equipped with plywood flaps, so I cut the flaps out from the kit, lowered them, and applied plywood sheet decals I'd found on the net. Those

white stripes on the bottom were applied in the field, and were not all exactly the same distance apart, and weren't all the exact same size, although the differences really wouldn't show up in 1/48th scale. Note the natural metal lengthening plug.

These airplanes were for point defense, and carried no external stores nor the racks for them. Note the bare metal patches on the rear canopy fairing where the sagging antenna cable wore away the paint. This model was built using Jerry Crandall's *Vol. II* on the Dora Focke Wulfs, which deals in depth with the Papagei birds.

