

Panavia Tornado IDS/ GR.4 Royal Air Force

“Marham Heritage”

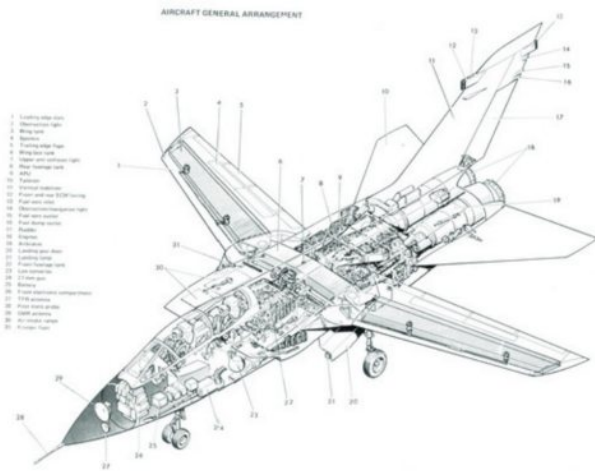
HISTORY

The Royal Air Force obtained many PANAVIA Tornado jets in several versions in the nineteen-seventies.

The fighter Air Defense versions were the ADV F2 (interim) and the ADV F3. For strike missions, the IDS GR1 and later updated GR4 versions were used.

(Tornado's were also exported to Saudi Arabia).

There are a lot of books about the Tornado and also internet has loads of information and photos.



DECAL SYSTEM

The decal sheet has one continuous print film, so each decal needs to be cut out with fine scissors.

No other prior decal preparation is needed.

Each cut out decal can be applied as usual after soaking it a short while in water. Decals are VERY THIN, so slide off from the wet backing sheet on a horizontally held GLOSSY model surface.

Note that a decal that contains a white section is often split in two parts. To get the full decal marking, apply both. On the decals sheet you will often see an “arrow” to indicate this way of application (on white surfaces, the white section is optional).

After all decals have been applied, finish the model with your preferred final gloss, matt or semi-matt varnish coats. This will also protect all the decals.

RAF Tornado IDS GR4 Marham scheme 1982-2019

This Marham RAF Station Tornado GR4 has a special Heritage Marham scheme 1982-2019. From probably 2022 the aircraft was put on static display outside at Marham and has all the RAF Tornado squadron badges.

The overall scheme is first semi-mat/satin Medium Sea grey BSC381c:637 colour with gloss black BSC381c:642 spine and a tail with a black forward edge and blue colour; the demarcation is faded. The blue looks to be similar to the RAF roundel / fin flash blue. Note the metal panels on the tail.

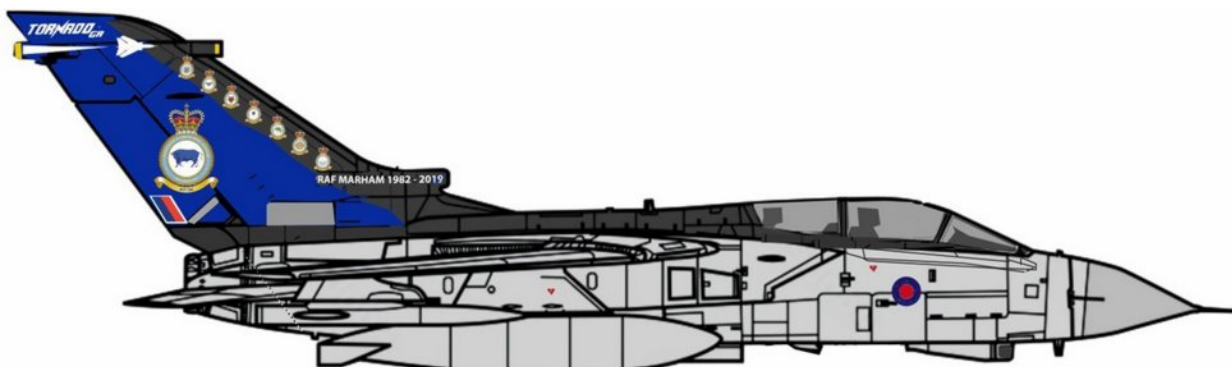
On the tail are the many squadron badges and the large Marham badge.

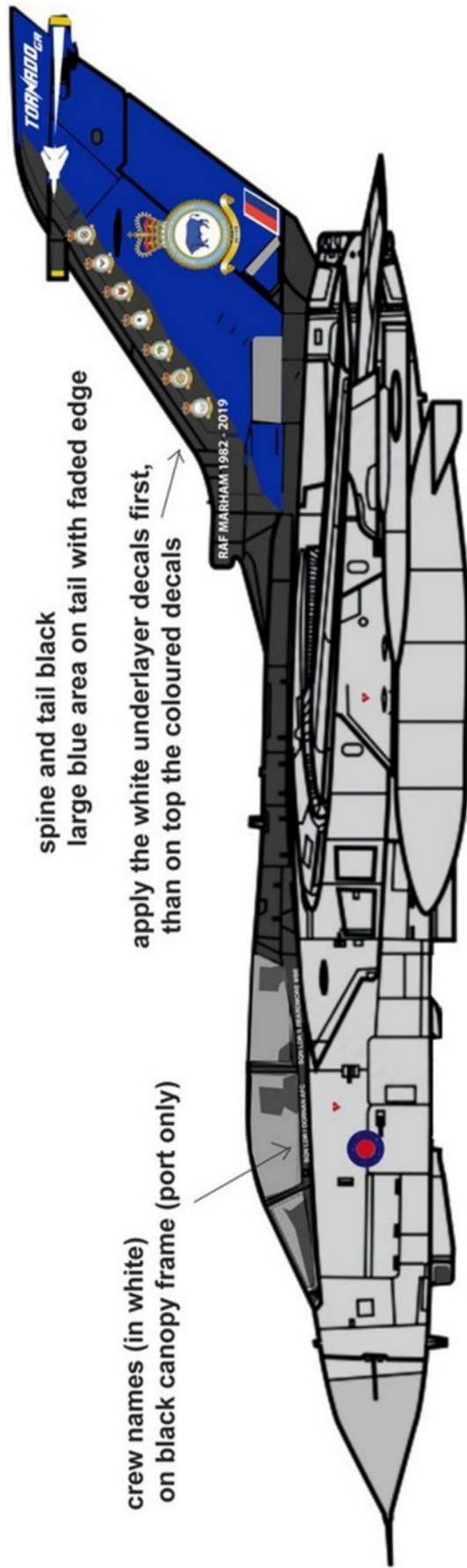
The paint scheme is similar on starboard and port sides. Paint the model first including the black and blue areas.

The specific decals (SEE DECAL SYSTEM NOTES ABOVE) can be applied with the white underlayers applied first, followed by the coloured decals.

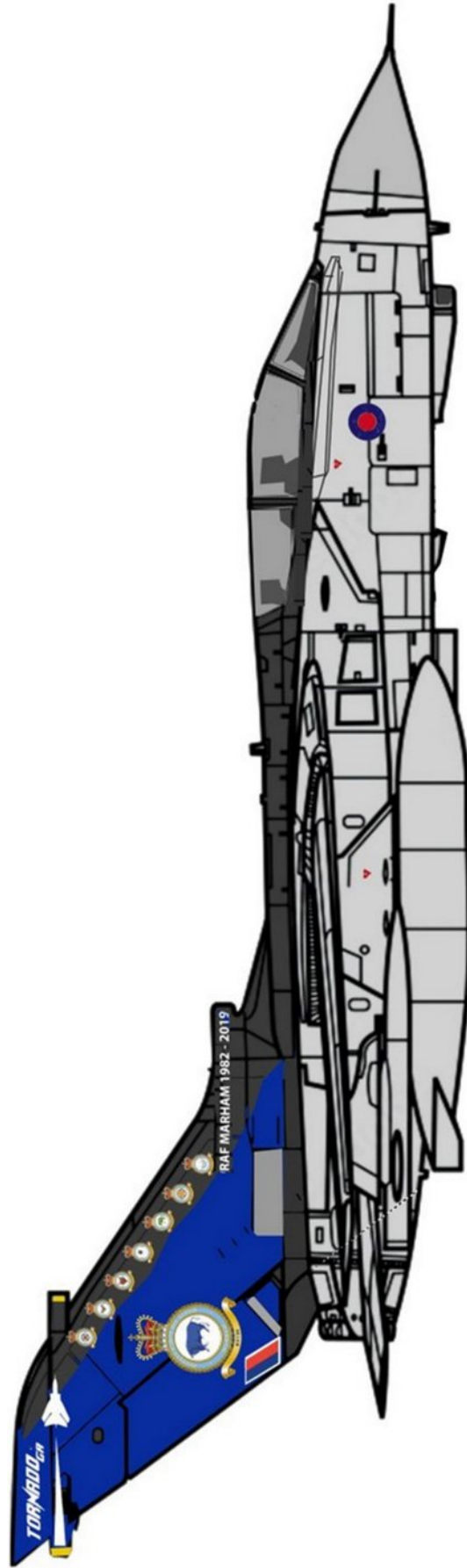
The remainder of the airframe has the standard stencilling and markings; apply as per kit.

The serial is ZA614, its location is unknown on the aircraft. It may be located on the fuselage sides below the rear “wing seal”. Decals in black are provided.





(std. RAF stencils and markings)



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