

This is the brand new Hobby Master 1/72 Air Power Series (HA3865) Hellenic Air Force 335 Squadron "Tiger" Lockheed Martin F-16D Fighting Falcon as participated in the NATO Tiger Meet 2018.

Hobby Master 1/72 Air Power Series

A few details about the Hobby Master 1/72 Air Power Series :

- True 1/72 scale.
- Professionally painted.
- Great attention to detail.
- All markings are Tampoed (pad applied).
- Option to display the model on a stand that is provided.
- Model can be shown with the landing gear in the down or up positions.
- Canopy can be displayed open or closed.
- Pilot figure included.
- Extremely heavy metal with a minimum of plastic.
- Highly collectable.

(HA3865) LM F-16D Fighting Falcon S/N 023, 335 Sq. "Tiger"

The F-16 Fighting Falcon was produced by General Dynamics who became Lockheed who then merged with Martin Marietta to become Lockheed Martin. The F-16 entered service in January 1979 as a multi-role jet fighter that evolved into an all-weather multi-role aircraft capable of sustaining 9-g turns. The F-16 is relatively inexpensive to purchase and maintain so the U.S.

and 25 other countries added it to their inventory. The Fighting Falcon is referred to by its pilots as the "Viper" and will remain in USAF service until 2025.

The 335 Squadron "Tiger" is the oldest squadron in the Hellenic Air Force (HAF) stationed at Araxos AB near Patra. In 1953 the 335 Squadron was the first HAF Squadron to be equipped with new jets. F-16D Blovk 52+ Adv. Fighting Falcon S/N 023 aircraft was one of the last F-16Ds to be received by the HAF 335Squadron of the 116th Combat Wing. This aircraft was one of the F-16s sent to the "NATO Tiger Meet 2018" held in Poznan - Krzesiny Poland. The HAF has ordered 170 F-16s comprised of F-16C/D Block 30, 50 and 52.

Now let's proceed with unboxing of the model:



The box has a special sleeve which when opened reveals all the contents



Right Side



Left Side



3/4 Right view



3/4 Left view



Below view



Upper view



Head on view

Special thanks to <u>Hobby Master</u>! For more information on Air Power Series and other HM models please visit the official web-site : <u>www.hobbymaster.c</u> om.hk