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SOVIET Mig 25 Foxbat 1/144 scale



The discovery of the Russian MiG 25 during a Soviet air show came as a great shock to the U.S. Air Force. Until then, it was felt the Russians were unable to build such a high performance aircraft, but the Foxbat, as it is called in the NATO code, is a very formidable machine. It is able to fly at well over twice the speed of sound and carries four radar or infrared guided missiles.

The secrets of the Foxbat were revealed in 1976, when a Russian pilot defected to Japan with one of the mysterious planes. It is powered by two gigantic turbojet engines of the type used on the Russian supersonic transport. Several countries now operate the MiG 25, but mainly for high speed, high altitude reconnaissance missions. The plane is just too fast to be aneffective fighter, as it would take several hundred miles to just turn around at speeds near Mach 2.5!

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