

## Military Aircraft Markings Update Number 123, August 2015

<i>Serial</i>	<i>Type (other identity) [code]</i>	<i>Owner/operator, location or fate</i>
F2367	Sopwith 7F.1 Snipe <R> (ZK-SNI)	Privately owned, Old Warden
S1287	Fairey Flycatcher <R> (G-BEYB) [5]	FAA Museum, stored Cobham Hall, RNAS Yeovilton
T8191	DH82A Tiger Moth II (G-BWMK)	Privately owned, Henstridge
W5856	Fairey Swordfish I (G-BMGC) [4A]	RN Historic Flight, Yeovilton
AG244	Hawker Hurricane XII (RCAF 5487/G-CBOE)	Privately owned, Aalen, Germany
DP872	Fairey Barracuda II <ff>	FAA Museum, stored Cobham Hall, RNAS Yeovilton
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EN570	VS361 Spitfire F IX (G-CISP)	Privately owned, Sandown, IoW
KF729	CCF T-6J Texan (G-BJST)	Repainted as AJ841, July 2015
KP110	Beech C-45 Expeditor II (RCAF 2324/G-BKGM/HB275)	Repainted as G-BKGM, 2015
VX927	Auster T7 (G-ASYG)	Privately owned, RAF Scampton
WD325	DHC1 Chipmunk T10 [N]	RN Historic Flight, Yeovilton (spares use)
WL505	DH100 Vampire FB9 (7705M/G-FBIX)	Privately owned, Mendlesham
WP844	DHC1 Chipmunk T10 (G-BWOX) [85]	Privately owned, Adriers, France
WR971	Avro 696 Shackleton MR3 (8119M) [Q] (fuselage)	Norfolk & Suffolk Avn Museum, Flixton
XA466	Fairey Gannet COD4 [777/LM]	FAA Museum, RNAS Yeovilton
XE685	Hawker Hunter GA11 (G-GAII) [861/VL]	RAF Scampton Heritage Centre
XL449	Fairey Gannet AEW3 <ff>	Privately owned, Booker
XL503	Fairey Gannet AEW3 [070/E]	FAA Museum, stored Cobham Hall, RNAS Yeovilton
XN492	Hunting Jet Provost T3 (8079M) <ff>	East Midlands Airport Aeropark
XR757	BAC Lightning F6 <ff>	Newark Air Museum, Winthorpe
XT141	Agusta-Bell 47G-3 Sioux AH1	Sold to France, 2015
XT765	WS58 Wessex HU5 (XT458/A2768) [P/VL]	RNAS Yeovilton, on display
XV663	WS61 Sea King HAS6 [18]	FAA Museum, RNAS Yeovilton
XW235	WS Puma HC2	RAF No 33 Sqn/No 230 Sqn, Benson
XX161	HS Hawk T1W [161]	RN No 736 NAS, Culdrose
XX394	WS Gazelle AH1 [X]	Privately owned, Shoreham
XX454	WS Gazelle AH1 (TAD 023)	DSEME SEAE, Arborfield
XX638	SA Bulldog T1 (G-DOGG)	Privately owned, Hurstbourne Tarrant, Hants
XX705	SA Bulldog T1 [5]	Privately owned, Norfolk
XZ184	WS Lynx AH7 [B]	AAC Middle Wallop, wfu
XZ191	WS Lynx AH7 [R]	DSEME SEAE, Arborfield
XZ255	WS Lynx HMA8SRU [454]	RN No 815 NAS, Defender Flt, Yeovilton
XZ325	WS Gazelle AH1	DSEME SEAE, Arborfield
XZ332	WS Gazelle AH1	DSEME SEAE, Arborfield
XZ333	WS Gazelle AH1	DSEME SEAE, Arborfield
XZ574	WS61 Sea King HAS6	FAA Museum, stored Cobham Hall, RNAS Yeovilton
XZ588	WS61 Sea King HAR3 [D]	MoD/Vector Aerospace, Fleetlands
XZ594	WS61 Sea King HAR3	RAF, stored Benson
XZ596	WS61 Sea King HAR3	DSMarE, stored HMS Sultan, Gosport
XZ598	WS61 Sea King HAR3 [N]	RAF, stored Valley
XZ608	WS Lynx AH7 (fuselage)	AAC MPSU, Middle Wallop
XZ616	WS Lynx AH7	AAC Middle Wallop, wfu
XZ617	WS Lynx AH7 (fuselage)	AAC MPSU, Middle Wallop
XZ651	WS Lynx AH7 [O]	AAC Middle Wallop, wfu
XZ653	WS Lynx AH7	DSEME SEAE, Arborfield
XZ670	WS Lynx AH7 [A]	AAC Middle Wallop, wfu
XZ690	WS Lynx HMA8SRU [640] (fuselage)	AAC MPSU, Middle Wallop
XZ697	WS Lynx HMA8SRU [313]	MoD/Vector Aerospace, Fleetlands
XZ720	WS Lynx HAS3GMS [410/GC]	FAA Museum, stored Cobham Hall, RNAS Yeovilton
XZ723	WS Lynx HMA8SRU [672] (fuselage)	AAC MPSU, Middle Wallop
XZ726	WS Lynx HMA8SRU [316]	AAC MPSU, Middle Wallop, RTP
XZ731	WS Lynx HMA8SRU [311]	RN No 815 NAS, MI Flt, Yeovilton
XZ732	WS Lynx HMA8SRU [315]	RN No 815 NAS, MI Flt, Yeovilton
XZ920	WS61 Sea King HU5 [24]	RN No 771 NAS, Culdrose
ZA370	Panavia Tornado GR4A [004]	RAF No 31 Sqn, Marham
ZA412	Panavia Tornado GR4 \$	RAF Leeming, RTP
ZA459	Panavia Tornado GR4 [025]	RAF Marham Wing
ZA546	Panavia Tornado GR4 [038]	RAF TASF(N), Lossiemouth
ZA548	Panavia Tornado GR4 [040]	RAF No 31 Sqn, Marham

ZA550	Panavia Tornado GR4 [042]	RAF CMU, Marham
ZA554	Panavia Tornado GR4 [046]	RAF No 12 Sqn, Marham
ZA598	Panavia Tornado GR4 [064]	RAF Leeming, RTP
ZA680	B-V Chinook HC4 (N37026) [AH]	MoD/Vector Aerospace, Fleetlands
ZB667	WS Gazelle AH1	AAC MPSU, Middle Wallop
ZB678	WS Gazelle AH1	AAC No 665 Sqn/5 Regt, Aldergrove
ZB683	WS Gazelle AH1	AAC No 665 Sqn/5 Regt, Aldergrove
ZD252	WS Lynx HMA8SRU [312/VL]	RN No 815 NAS, MI Flt, Yeovilton
ZD260	WS Lynx HMA8SRU [313]	RN No 815 NAS, MI Flt, Yeovilton
ZD262	WS Lynx HMA8SRU [316]	RN No 815 NAS, MI Flt, Yeovilton
ZD264	WS Lynx HAS3GMS [407] (fuselage)	Privately owned, Hixon, Staffs
ZD280	WS Lynx AH7	AAC Middle Wallop, wfu
ZD574	B-V Chinook HC4 (N37077) [DB]	MoD/Vector Aerospace, Fleetlands
ZD612	BAe Sea Harrier FA2 [724]	Privately owned, Topsham, Devon
ZD621	BAe 125 CC3	RAF Northolt, on display
ZD711	Panavia Tornado GR4 [079]	RAF No 9 Sqn, Marham
ZD716	Panavia Tornado GR4 [084]	RAF No 9 Sqn, Marham
ZD742	Panavia Tornado GR4 [090]	RAF No 9 Sqn, Marham
ZD747	Panavia Tornado GR4 [095]	RAF Marham Wing
ZD844	Panavia Tornado GR4 [107]	RAF Leeming, RTP
ZE369	WS61 Sea King HAR3 [S]	RAF, stored Valley
ZE370	WS61 Sea King HAR3	RAF, stored Valley
ZE378	WS Lynx AH7	AAC Middle Wallop, wfu
ZE381	WS Lynx AH7	DSEME SEAE, Arborfield
ZE653	Grob G103 Viking T1 (BGA3083) [YE]	RAF No 622 VGS, Upavon
ZF538	WS Lynx AH9A	AAC No 657 Sqn, Odiham
ZF539	WS Lynx AH9A	AAC No 9 Regt, Dishforth
ZF563	WS Lynx HMA8SRU [339]	RN No 815 NAS, Yeovilton
ZG707	Panavia Tornado GR4A [EB-Z]	RAF CMU, Marham
ZG750	Panavia Tornado GR4 [128]	RAF CMU, stored Marham
ZG791	Panavia Tornado GR4 [137]	RAF No 31 Sqn, Marham
ZG886	WS Lynx AH9A	AAC No 9 Regt, Dishforth
ZG916	WS Lynx AH9A	AAC No 657 Sqn, Odiham
ZG921	WS Lynx AH9A	MoD/Vector Aerospace, Fleetlands
ZG923	WS Lynx AH9A	MoD/Vector Aerospace, stored Fleetlands
ZH544	WS61 Sea King HAR3A	RAF No 22 Sqn, A Flt, Chivenor RMB
ZH545	WS61 Sea King HAR3A [Z]	DSMarE, stored HMS Sultan, Gosport
ZH843	EHI-101 Merlin HM2	RN No 829 NAS, Culdrose
ZH846	EHI-101 Merlin HM2 [80]	RN No 824 NAS, Culdrose
ZH856	EHI-101 Merlin HM2 [10]	RN No 820 NAS, Culdrose
ZH903	B-V Chinook HC5 (N20671) [HR]	MoD/Vector Aerospace, Fleetlands (conversion)
ZJ118	EHI-101 Merlin iHC3 [B]	MoD/AgustaWestland, Yeovil (conversion)
ZJ122	EHI-101 Merlin HC3 [F]	RN No 845 NAS, Benson
ZJ124	EHI-101 Merlin HC3 [H]	RN No 845 NAS, Benson
ZJ126	EHI-101 Merlin iHC3 [K]	MoD/AgustaWestland, Yeovil
ZJ127	EHI-101 Merlin HC3 [L]	RN No 845 NAS, Benson
ZJ138	EHI-101 Merlin HC3 [X]	MoD/AgustaWestland, Yeovil
ZJ171	WAH-64 Apache AH1 (N3266T)	MoD/AFD/QinetiQ, Boscombe Down
ZJ184	WAH-64 Apache AH1 (GUNSHIP1)	AAC No 3 Regt, Wattisham
ZJ205	WAH-64 Apache AH1 (GUNSHIP2)	AAC No 3 Regt, Wattisham
ZJ222	WAH-64 Apache AH1	AAC No 4 Regt, Wattisham
ZJ225	WAH-64 Apache AH1	MoD/AgustaWestland, Yeovil
ZJ231	WAH-64 Apache AH1	AAC No 673 Sqn/7 Regt, Middle Wallop
ZJ917	Eurofighter Typhoon FGR4 [BV]	RAF No 29(R) Sqn, Coningsby
ZJ921	Eurofighter Typhoon FGR4 [QO-G]	RAF No 3 Sqn, Coningsby
ZJ928	Eurofighter Typhoon FGR4 [DS]	RAF No 11 Sqn, Coningsby
ZJ930	Eurofighter Typhoon FGR4 [DE]	RAF No 11 Sqn, Coningsby
ZJ943	Eurofighter Typhoon FGR4 [DK]	RAF AM&SU, stored Shawbury (wreck)
ZJ990	EHI-101 Merlin HC3A (M-501) [AA]	RN No 845 NAS, Benson
ZJ992	EHI-101 Merlin HC3A (M-503) [AB]	RN No 845 NAS, Benson
ZJ994	EHI-101 Merlin HC3A (M-505) [AC]	RN No 845 NAS, Benson
ZJ995	EHI-101 Merlin HC3A (M-506) [AD]	RN No 845 NAS, Benson
ZJ998	EHI-101 Merlin HC3A (M-509) [AE]	RN No 846 NAS, Yeovilton
ZK305	Eurofighter Typhoon FGR4 [EE]	RAF No 6 Sqn, Lossiemouth

ZK320	Eurofighter Typhoon FGR4 [BR]	RAF No 29(R) Sqn, Coningsby
ZK334	Eurofighter Typhoon FGR4 [A]	RAF No 2 Sqn, Lossiemouth
ZK365	Eurofighter Typhoon FGR4	MoD/BAE Systems, stored Warton
ZK367	Eurofighter Typhoon FGR4	MoD/BAE Systems, stored Warton
ZK602	Eurofighter Typhoon	To R Saudi AF as 8003, 14 July 2015
ZK603	Eurofighter Typhoon	To R Saudi AF as 8004, 14 July 2015
ZM400	Airbus A400M Atlas C1 (A4M015/EC-405)	RAF No 70 Sqn, Brize Norton
ZM402	Airbus A400M Atlas C1 (A4M017/EC-407)	RAF No 70 Sqn, Brize Norton
ZM403	Airbus A400M Atlas C1 (A4M020)	RAF No 70 Sqn, Brize Norton
ZM404	Airbus A400M Atlas C1 (A4M021)	Airbus Defence & Space, Seville, for RAF
ZM405	Airbus A400M Atlas C1 (A4M024)	Airbus Defence & Space, Seville, for RAF
ZM406	Airbus A400M Atlas C1 (A4M025)	Airbus Defence & Space, Seville, for RAF
ZM407	Airbus A400M Atlas C1 (A4M026)	Airbus Defence & Space, Seville, for RAF
ZM408	Airbus A400M Atlas C1 (A4M027)	Airbus Defence & Space, Seville, for RAF
ZZ382	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat AH1	RM No 847 NAS, Yeovilton
ZZ388	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat AH1	RM No 847 NAS, Yeovilton
ZZ389	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat AH1	RM No 847 NAS, Yeovilton
ZZ394	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat AH1	RM No 847 NAS, Yeovilton
ZZ395	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat AH1	RM No 847 NAS, Yeovilton
ZZ396	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat HMA2	RN No 825 NAS, Yeovilton
ZZ398	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat AH1	RM No 847 NAS, Yeovilton
ZZ403	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat AH1	AAC, stored Yeovilton
ZZ407	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat AH1	AAC, stored Yeovilton
ZZ408	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat AH1	AAC, stored Yeovilton
ZZ410	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat AH1	AAC, stored Yeovilton
ZZ420*	Meggitt BTT-3 Banshee	For MoD
ZZ510	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat AH1	AAC No 1 Regt, Yeovilton
ZZ514	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat HMA2	RN, stored Yeovilton
ZZ515	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat HMA2	RN No 825 NAS, Yeovilton
ZZ517	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat HMA2	RN, stored Yeovilton
ZZ518	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat HMA2	RN No 825 NAS, Yeovilton
ZZ519	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat HMA2	RN, stored Yeovilton
ZZ520	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat AH1	MoD/AgustaWestland, Yeovil
ZZ521	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat AH1	MoD/AgustaWestland, Yeovil
ZZ523	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat AH1	MoD/AgustaWestland, Yeovil
ZZ524	AgustaWestland AW159 Wildcat AH1	MoD/AgustaWestland, Yeovil

#### Notes:

1. The Army retired its Lynx AH7 fleet in a ceremony at Middle Wallop on 31 July 2015, putting up a six ship formation for one last time.
2. The Navy's newest Merlin squadron, 845 NAS, stood up at RAF Benson on 9th July 2015. At the same time, 28 Sqn RAF became 28(R) Sqn RAF, the Chinook and Puma OCU, based at Benson. As yet the latter does not seem to have any aircraft permanently allocated to it.
3. The withdrawal of the Sea King HAR3 continues with 22 Sqn B Flt at Wattisham ceasing operations on 1st July 2015.
4. ZJ126 is the first of seven interim HC3 conversions, hence the somewhat unusual iHC3 designation, all destined to be delivered to 846 NAS, with ZJ126 due in August. It seems highly probable that ZJ118 is another of the seven.
5. ZJ943 became the first RAF Typhoon to be placed in store at Shawbury. It is reported that several T3s will follow as the earlier machines are withdrawn from use. By strange coincidence, some of the new Tranche 3 Typhoons (the batch from ZK355 onwards) are reported as currently in store, undelivered, at Warton.
6. ZK334 is the latest 2 Sqn aircraft to receive a code. The sequence should go SHIINEY TWO AC with the following currently allocated: S/ZK322, H/ZK300, II/ZK344, N (not yet allocated), E (not yet allocated), Y/ZK319 T/ZK380, W/ZK313, O/ZK307, A/ZK334 and C/ZK323.
7. ZM403, the RAF's latest Atlas C1, was delivered on 5th July 2015.
8. No 70 Sqn RAF stood up at Brize Norton on 23rd July 2015, taking over from the 24 Sqn crews which had been flying the Atlas C1 to date.
9. Dutch magazine 'Scramble' recently printed a list of the first Wildcats for 847 NAS and indeed some of these were reported as operating with this unit during the recent Air Day at Yeovilton. As far as is known at present none wear Royal Marines titles and they are not operating from a different location on the base so it may well be identification by call sign only for the time being!
10. Those with keen eyes will have spotted a Banshee aerial target at RIAT, Fairford, in July, marked as 'ZZ420 4665' with QinetiQ titles and '1000th flight' markings. It seems certain that ZZ420 is a serial allocated

to many of these targets and that this one may indeed be the 4665th Banshee built. At least 5000 have been delivered to the UK armed forces.

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