

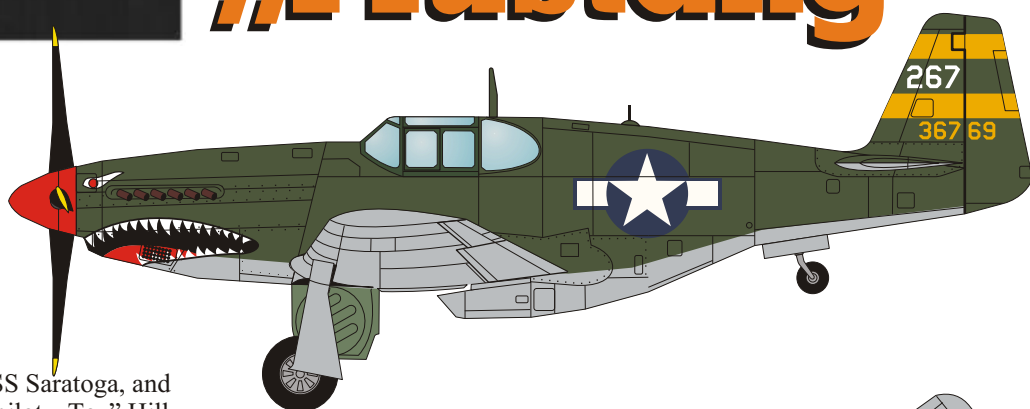
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North American P-51B „Mustang”



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Colonel David „Tex” Hill

After serving aboard the USS Saratoga, and the USS Ranger as a Navy pilot, „Tex” Hill volunteered to fly for the AVG „Flying Tigers” in China, becoming Squadron Leader in the Second Squadron and notching up over 12 aerial victories. „Tex” Hill remained in China to activate the 75th Fighter Squadron, then commanded the 23rd Fighter Group, where he increased his score of victories to 18.4.

Manufacturer: North American Aviation

Crew/Passengers: one pilot

Power Plant: one 1,590 hp Packard (license-built) V-1650-7 Merlin piston engine

Performance:

Max Speed: 448 mph (721 km/h)

Cruising Speed: 360 mph (579 km/h)

Service Ceiling: 41,900 ft (12,771 m)

Range: 1,300 mi (2,092 km)

Weights:

Empty: 7,125 lb (3,232 kg)

Gross: 11,600 lb (5,262 kg)

Dimensions:

Span: 37 ft 1 in (11.29 m)

Length: 32 ft 3 in (9.83 m)

Height: 13 ft 8 in (4.17 m)

Wing Area: 235 sq ft (21.83 sq m)

Armament: two 0.5 in (12.7 mm)

machine guns plus provisions for two 500 lb (227 kg) bombs, eight rockets or two drop tanks

