

This skin represents a MiG-21MFN of the Czech airforce. It was one of the last operational MiG-21's in the Czech airforce. The first time this MiG-21 MFN with this specific livery made its public debut was on may the 21st 2005 on Čáslav airbase.

This livery was made to honor and celebrate 44 years of MiG-21 in the Czech(oSlovakian) airforce. It is a very interesting livery. Not too flashy, but every part of the aircraft has been visually modified. The livery consists of the oval emblem of the airbase Čáslav, tiger print on the control surfaces and different texts on both sides of the spine. And of course the outline of the MiG-21 F13 on the fuselage. I don't know exactly how they did that, but it looks like a lot of work. Today, this beautiful machine rests on poles at the entrance of Čáslav airbase as a gateguard. After the final flight of the MiG-21 in Czech service, all airdefence duties were taken over by the Saab Gripen.

The -MFN version is essentially a -MF version with NATO compatible avionics. The MF version is similar in appearance to the -BIS version we have in DCS. Although it was a challenge especially to determine how big the texts "MiG-21" and "1961 - 2015" should be. I think the result is pretty good. The MiG-21 BIS has a few difficulties to the 'skinner', but none are really that hard if you make regular schemes. I had particular problems with lining up the "6" in 1961-2005, with parts of it on three or four layers. Including some resized parts in order for the number to appear correctly. Some difficulties were encountered with the placement of the emblem (which is oval, not round) The line outline of the painted on MiG-21 F13 was done on the real aircraft by scraping off all the grey paint from the MiG, showing the bare metal underneath. I thought this was a very nice idea. I tried painting the bare aluminum with layers of blue, grey and other colors. But in the end, I scanned a piece of tin foil, since that is aluminum as well, and used it to fill in the outline of the little MiG-21 F13. It looks quite good. The underside of the little MiG runs over the gear doors and the airbrakes. And lining everything up all over the 'bulges' was a good day or three worth of work.

Installation is simple. After unpacking, put the 'coremods' folder inside the DCS world main folder and the skin should show up as "Czech 4003 special livery".

For this skin, I should give credits to a few parties:

- [Leatherneck Simulations](#), for giving us the best and most detailed DCS module to date. I also used parts of one of their liveries for my livery.
- [Keefyboy](#), I used his template as a base for this livery.
- Eagle dynamics forum member "[GeorgeLKMT](#)" For his constructive critics and the emblem on the nose.

Thank you for reading, enjoy flying this livery

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