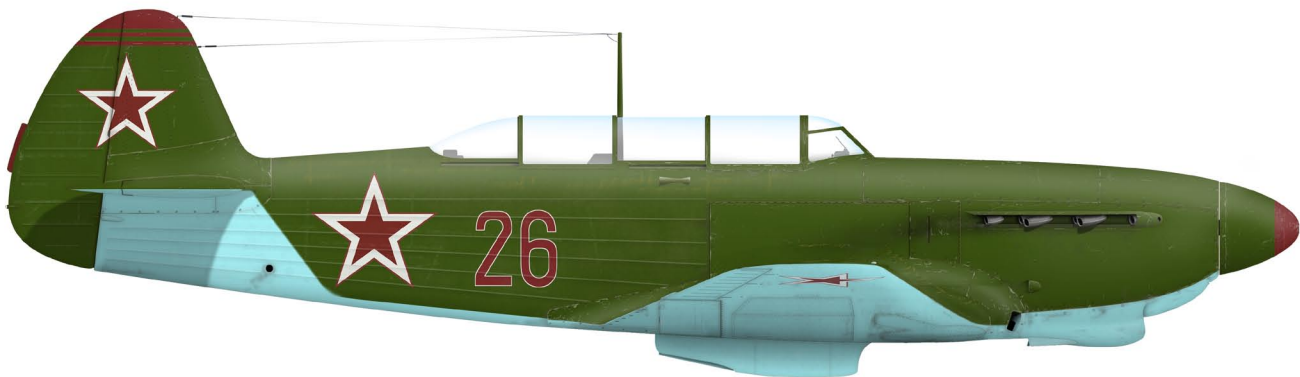




"White 86" of the 274 IAP, autumn 1944. This example had been considerably re-painted, and in particular the cowling seems to have been an area of concern. That observation would be hardly surprising with the Yak-9K, which could experience trouble related to excessive recoil forces. The fin had also been heavily painted over, likely with quantities of AMT-7 (as shown), or perhaps even ALG primer. The pilot of "86" is currently unknown.

## Yak-9V



"Red 26" was an *exceedingly* typical-- one might even say prototypical-- example of the Yak-9V in VVS service during the latter 1940s. The finish was certainly completed with matte lacquers, and here have been thusly shown as A-24m uppers over AMT-7. The regulation national markings, trimmed number and spinner flash were all very common devices of the time.