



# ARCTIC WARRIOR

— MICHAEL RONDOT



Royal Air Force Jaguar GR3 in action from Royal Norwegian Air Force base Bardufoss



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These 1795 RAF Coldstream based figures of the 41(F) Squadron have been Arctic operations specialists in north Norway, advancing NATO's northern flank. The squadron operate the Arctic Warrior in quiet and often perilous operating areas from Royal Norwegian Air Force base Bardufoss. It is a harsh and inhospitable area where the weather is often extreme, the terrain is rugged and the flying conditions are often the most challenging that can be met.



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**ARCTIC WARRIOR** © Michael Rondot 2006  
200 signed & numbered: £75 50 artist's proofs: £120

Size: 27x20 ins 700x500mm (image size: 24x15 ins)  
25 remarques: £235 10 giclée canvas: £375 (image: 30x20 ins)

**B**ardufoss airbase, over 150 miles north of the Arctic circle in the far north of Norway, was for twenty years the deployment base for No.41(F) Squadron Jaguars. Flying in the ground attack and reconnaissance roles, the former Battle of Britain squadron were Arctic operations specialists in a region noted for its dangerous winter weather and extreme flying conditions. This beautiful new painting portrays a Jaguar GR3, carrying a Vinten JRP reconnaissance pod, in action during NATO exercises in this rugged and inhospitable area where military pilots enjoy some of the most challenging flying in the world.

Michael Rondot has drawn on his own experiences of low flying in north Norway to create a stunning painting dominated by the camouflaged Jaguar, and dramatically illustrating the bleak terrain and atmosphere of an Arctic winter.

Published in a very restricted limited edition, "ARCTIC WARRIOR" is a fine tribute to the Cold War years for collectors of military aviation art.

### GICLÉE CANVAS MASTERWORKS

These beautiful artist-signed prints on canvas replicate the look and feel of the original painting with striking effect. Only a very few are issued with each edition, and because they are so rare, they are often fully subscribed soon after release. (Image size: 30x20 inches).

### ARTIST'S PROOFS

Artist's proofs (APs) are traditionally reserved for use by the artist and publisher and are given a greater value by collectors because they often have added signatures and may be difficult to obtain. The 50 APs in this edition have five distinguished 41(F) Squadron pilot signatures.

### REMARQUE PRINTS

Especially prized for their rarity and personal touch, remarque prints have an original pencil drawing of a Jaguar added to the print border similar to the example at the bottom of this page.

### THE SIGNATURES

The 50 artist's proofs and 25 remarque prints in this edition have been individually signed by FIVE distinguished No.41(F) Squadron pilots and commanders:

**Squadron Leader DAVE BAGSHAW AFC**

First 41(F) Sqn. Jaguar pilot. Record 4000+ hours on type

**Squadron Leader IAN SMITH**

Red Arrows and 41(F) Sqn Flight Commander 2003-2005

**Squadron Leader MIKE GORDON DFC MBE**

41(F) Sqn Flight Commander 1989-1992

**Group Captain MARK HOPKINS OBE**

Officer Commanding 41(F) Sqn 2002-2004

**Group Captain WILLIAM PIXTON DFC AFC**

Officer Commanding 41(F) Sqn 1989-1992

JAGDET squadron commander Al-Mubarraq, Gulf War 1, 1991

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