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David Baker : Mikoyan MiG-29 'Fulcrum' Manual: 1981 to present (Owners' Workshop Manual) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Mikoyan MiG-29 'Fulcrum' Manual: 1981 to present (Owners' Workshop Manual):

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Bit of a disappointmentconsidering the long wait after the Pre-Order By Toofanifan The author is no doubt an authority on the design and engineering aspects of the early Mig 29s. However, post 2007... he appears to have focused exclusively on the Naval variant the Mig 29K. He has completely omitted the most comprehensive upgrade...the Mig 29 UPG being done to the IAF (Indian Air Force) examples. Going by the photo captioning, it also appears that he is not aware that there are 2 separate air arms (The Indian Navy and the IAF) operating 2 very different variants of the Mig 29. Considering the fact that the IAF was the first and largest international operator of the Mig 29, this is not an oversight that can be expected of the excellent Hynes Owners

Workshop Manual series...I am a big time convert to Kindle...so i now only order very specific books in print format,for my aviation history and scale modelling reference collection.I had slowly warmed up to the Hynes format...as it is a generally pleasing attempt at putting everything about a specific type,in one nicely produced volume.The Series typically covers:-(a) the design evolution to all the significant variants,with walk around type photos for modelling reference (almost as good as the Squadron/Signal books).(b)Pilot operating notes kind of information(like system schematics and reports by Pilots and Engineers).(c)Operational history(perhaps not as detailed as in exclusive Osprey publications)(d) In a few cases the Hynes Book is the only updated pictorial book on a particular type which is available...for instance the RAF Chinook book or the lovely new one on the S.E.5.So in that respect this "new" book adds very little to what is already available on the Mig 29 Fulcrum...and hence in my view ,a wasted opportunity.4 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Curiously uninvolvedBy Daryl CarpenterBooks on modern military aircraft tend to be either flashy puff pieces or dry data dumps. I'm not really a fan of either approach, although with a couple exceptions, Haynes has had good luck finding a happy middle ground in their "Owners' Workshop Manual" series. This book was originally announced with a 2013 publication date, with Steve Davies slated to write, and seems to have been in "development hell" for years. The final result is a bit of a mixed bag.First, the good stuff. The first chapter gives a solid, concise history of MiG's previous fighter work, while Chapter Two does a good job exploring the MiG-29's development and the differences between the main variants. There's plenty of excellent photographs, along with some useful translated diagrams from the original pilot's manuals. The technical descriptions of the aircraft, which form the bulk of Chapter 3, are probably the most detailed I've read in any of Haynes' modern warplane books. The final chapter, written by RAF test pilot John Farley, is quite interesting if all too brief.Unfortunately, this book strays from the usual Haynes format and isn't much fun to read. My favorite Haynes books are the ones that combine cold technical details with some interesting insights into maintenance, flying/driving, and restoration, usually written by someone intimately familiar with the vehicle. This one doesn't provide much beyond a cold, dry compilation of facts and statistics. The "anatomy" chapter, usually the highlight of these books, provides paragraph after paragraph of technical descriptions of fuel transfer sequences, switch positions, navigation controls, automatic landing systems, and so on. Unsurprisingly, there's practically nothing about the aircraft's weapons, radar, IR sensors, or ECM/ESM systems, or how any of it is intended to operate in combat.Although this book contains some interesting material, it's too dry and clinical to be a truly enjoyable read. I've enjoyed reading David Baker's books on space hardware, especially his recent one on the Mercury spacecraft, but this one is definitely a bit of a let down.0 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Two StarsBy Michael PersicoJust ok

The Soviet MiG-29 air superiority fighter was developed by the Mikoyan Design Bureau in the mid-1970s to counter the new generation of American high performance interceptor fighters like the McDonnell Douglas F-15 Eagle and the General Dynamics F-16 Fighting Falcon.

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