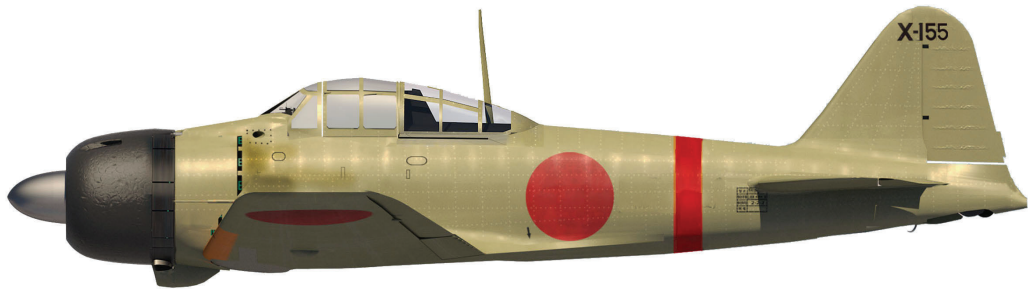
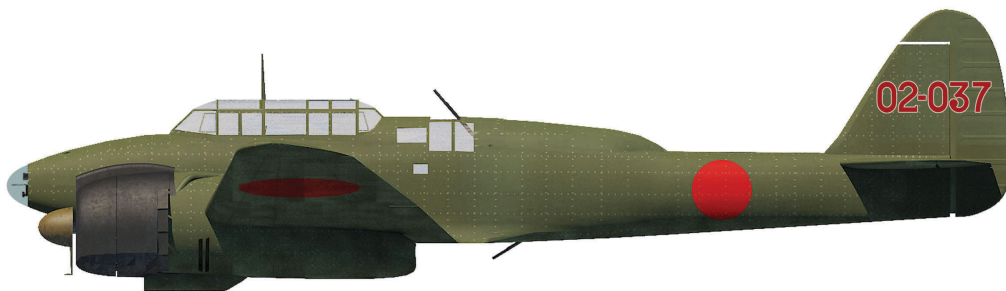


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*This A6M3 Model 32 Zero served with No. 3 Ku in the NEI during 1942. Both Model 21 and 32s were in the inventory of No. 3 Ku and when it became No. 202 Ku in November 1942.*

Irving	Wing span	Length	Weight (lb) empty	Max. climb rate (fps)	Range (miles)	Max speed (mph)	Service ceiling (feet)
<b>Manufacturer</b> Nakajima	55'8"	39'11"	10,697	1,968	1,585	315	30,578
<b>Engine</b>	2 x 1,130 hp Sakae 21 14-cylinder two-row air-cooled radial piston engine						
<b>Armament</b>	1 x 20mm cannon in nose 2 x 7.7mm machine gun 4 x 20mm cannon in rear cockpit – 2 upward firing; 2 down						
<b>Notes:</b>							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Twin engine night fighter.</li> <li>• Two-seater in this configuration; a three-man reconnaissance version was also made.</li> <li>• Equipped with nose radar.</li> </ul>							



*This Nakajima J1N1 Irving served with No. 202 Ku at Manggar in the NEI in 1944. No. 202 Ku was mainly equipped with Zeros, but in response to night raids on Balikpapan by B-24s in August 1943, the unit was assigned a flight of Irvings. By the end of 1943, five had been assigned into No. 202 Ku, and were based at Balikpapan in Borneo and at Makassar in the Celebes. When No. 202 Ku was redeployed to the Central Pacific in February 1944, all of its Irvings were reassigned to No. 381 Ku, a newly arrived fighter unit which continued operating in the NEI. On 1 April 1944, the unit was redesignated as No. 902 Fighter Detachment. This particular Irving was captured at Manggar, revealing a stylised red tail code with white piping.*