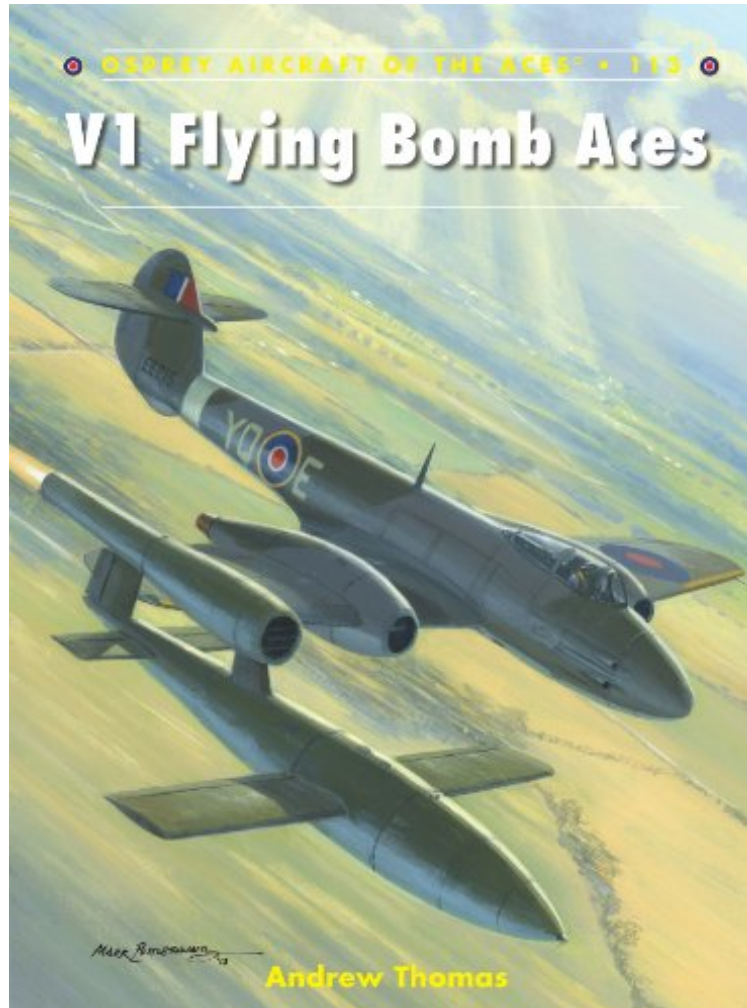


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. V1 Flying Bomb AcesVon Rudolf H. ReiterSehr interessante Berichte ber die Abwehr der V1 durch englische Jagdflieger. Zeigt auf, den wesentlich geringeren Erfolg, als von der deutsche Fhrung erwartet und gelangt.

KurzbeschreibungShortly after the Allied landings in France the Germans unleashed the first of their so-called 'revenge weapons', the V1 flying bomb. Launched from specially constructed sites in northern France, the fast, small,

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