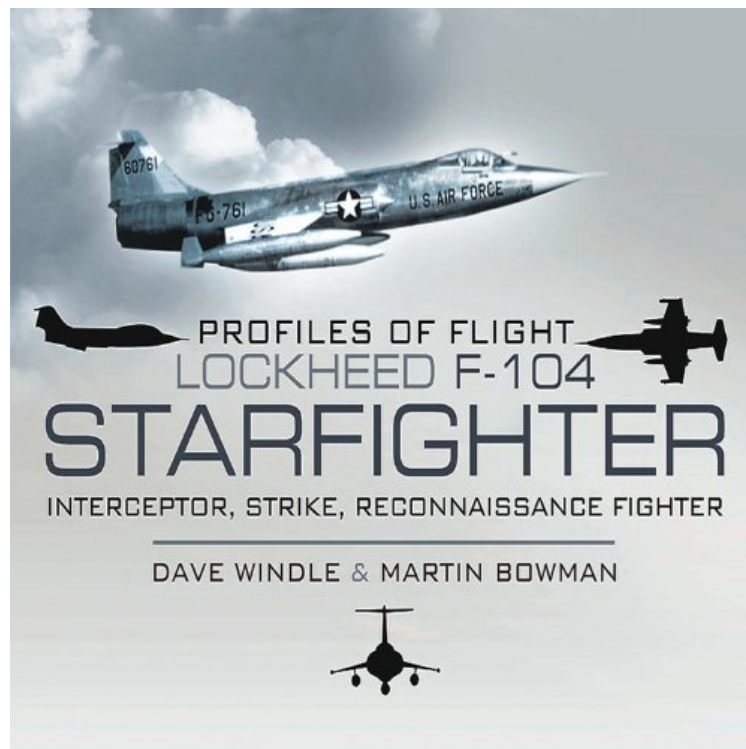


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About the Author Dave Windle has gained the reputation of being Britains most skilful creator of aircraft profiles. He draws upon his service with the RAF to maintain complete accuracy. Lives near Aberdeen. Martin Bowman is one of Britains foremost aviation historians and has written many books and articles. He lives in Norwich.