

371st SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMBAT TRAINING SQUADRON



MISSION

371st Special Operations Combat Training Squadron serves as the formal school for small unmanned aerial systems and irregular warfare integrated skills training, the squadron is also responsible for AFSOC recruitment, assessment, and selection.

LINEAGE

3751st Field Training Squadron organized, 15 Jun 1959
Redesignated 371st Field Training Squadron, 15 Sep 1992
Redesignated 371st Training Squadron, 23 Mar 1994
Inactivated, 27 Oct 1994
Redesignated 371st Special Operations Combat Training Squadron, 16 Jul 2010
Activated, 13 Aug 2010

STATIONS

Sheppard AFB, TX, 15 Jun 1959-27 Oct 1994
Hurlburt Fld, FL, 13 Aug 2010

ASSIGNMENTS

3750th Technical School, 15 Jun 1959
USAF School of Applied Aerospace Sciences, 1 Aug 1972
3785th Field Training Group (later, 3785th Field Training Wing; 3785th Field Training Group; 396th Field Training Group; 82nd Field Training Group; 982nd Training Group), 30 Apr 1976-27 Oct 1994
Air Force Special Operations Training Center, 13 Aug 2010

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

None

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Jul 1970-31 Dec 1971

1 Jan 1974-31 Dec 1975

1 Jan 1978-30 Apr 1979

1 May 1981-30 Apr 1983

1 Oct 1984-31 Dec 1985

1 Aug 1986-31 Jul 1988

1 Feb 1989-31 Jan 1991

1 Feb 1991-31 Jan 1993

1 Jul 1993-30 Jun 1994

EMBLEM

On a disc Sable, bendy of five Argent between a hurt fimbriated and bearing a mullet of the second, charged with torteau, and a Chinthe Or collared Azure, all within a narrow border Yellow. Attached above the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "SCIENTIA INVICTUS" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "371 SOCTS" in Yellow letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The black background symbolizes the night environment in which the unit operates. The five diagonal white stripes from upper left to lower right were created as invasion stripes to easily identify Allied Air Forces and symbolize the unit's heritage from the First Air Commando Group in the Burma invasion of 1944. The Chinthe is a divisional emblem, representing operators called "Chindits" and is also a mythical beast guardian of Burmese temples. The hurt bearing a mullet charged with a torteau is a symbol similar to the United States Army Air Forces emblem used during World War II. (Approved, 3 Nov 2010)

MOTTO

SCIENTIA INVICTUS--Unconquerable Knowledge

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OPERATIONS

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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