

## #6 | MAJ SCOTT LAUX | USMC

### // Opposing Solo

Major Scott Laux is from Chantilly, Virginia, and graduated from Chantilly High School in 2008. He attended the United States Naval Academy and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Chinese in 2012. Immediately following graduation, he reported to Marine Corps Base Quantico (Quantico, Virginia) for basic Marine officer training at The Basic School (TBS). Once complete with TBS, he proceeded to flight school, with stops at Naval Air Station (NAS) Pensacola (Pensacola, Florida) for Introductory Flight Screening and Aviation Preflight Indoctrination, NAS Whiting Field (Milton, Florida) for Primary flight training on the T-6B Texan II, and NAS Kingsville (Kingsville, Texas) for Intermediate and Advanced jet training on the T-45C Goshawk.

Scott earned his wings of gold in 2015 and then reported to NAS Oceana (Virginia Beach, Virginia) for training on the F/A-18 C/D Hornet. Upon completion of the fleet replacement squadron syllabus, Scott reported to Marine Aircraft Group 11 at Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Miramar (San Diego, California), and was assigned to the Vikings of Marine All Weather Fighter Attack Squadron 225 (VMFA(AW)-225) flying the F/A-18D Hornet.

While at the Vikings, Scott served as the adjutant and powerline division officer-in-charge. He deployed once with the Vikings to MCAS Iwakuni, Japan, as part of the Marine Corps' Unit Deployment Program (UDP).

Upon returning from deployment with the Vikings, Scott was reassigned to the Death Rattlers of VMFA-323, also at MCAS Miramar, flying the F/A-18C Hornet. Scott and the Death Rattlers joined Carrier Air Wing 17 and embarked aboard the USS NIMITZ for the final aircraft carrier deployment of the venerable Hornet in 2020. While deployed, Scott flew in support of Operations RESOLUTE SUPPORT, INHERENT RESOLVE, and OCTAVE QUARTZ. In addition to flight duties, Scott served as a Landing Signals Officer, S-1 officer-in-charge, Director of Safety and Standardization (DoSS), Assistant Operations Officer, and Quality Assurance Officer.

Following his tour at the Death Rattlers, Scott was selected for transition to the F-35C Lightning II. In July 2022, he reported to Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 125, the Navy and Marine Corps' F-35C fleet replacement squadron, for training and follow-on service as an instructor pilot. While at VFA-125, he also served as a Landing Signals Officer, Quality Assurance Officer, and the Tactical Intercepts phase head.

Scott reported to the Blue Angels in September 2024. He has over 1,300 flight hours and 169 aircraft carrier arrested landings. His awards include two Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals, as well as multiple unit awards.