

Đà Nẵng Air Base, Satellite Photos



1) Satellite image magnified to 5,758 feet: Đà Nẵng Air Base, South end of the Runway.

Look close and you can read runway numbers 35R and 35L. I look at the photo and clearly see things a little different. In 1965-1966, runway 35L was under construction.

- About half way between the runway numbers is where the pilots of a [B-57 crashed](#) on take off and died.
- On the taxiway to the right of runway 35R, is where [SSgt Terence Jensen was killed in action](#) and won the Silver Star for saving 25 flight line airmen from sappers.
- South of the runways, in the area where three large green rectangles are today, is where [SSgt Jackie Kays](#) ran through the world's heaviest land-mined perimeter to rescue crewmen of a battle-damaged crashed flareship. SSgt Kays was medically retired from his injuries.
- Follow the perimeter road to the right, and top of the photo, and you are near where a friend, and one of my tent mates, [A3C James B. Jones was killed in action](#) during a mortar attack.
- On the left, the bomb dump can be partially seen. It was probed and sapper attacked several times during the war. One of the first attempts was in May 1966, when my sentry dog Blackie alerted on a sapper penetration and after a brief firefight, the area was secured.
- A year later, July 15, 1967, the [deadliest attack against the ammo dump](#) occurred. 83 mortars and rockets killed in action 8 Americans, wounded 175, damaged 47 aircraft, and destroyed 12.



2) Đà Nẵng Air Base runways, 1970.



3) Đà Nẵng Air Base. Viewed from about 10,000 feet.
(South end is at the BOTTOM)



2) Đà Nẵng Air Base. Chopper view from the West side of the base, flying low and slow.

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