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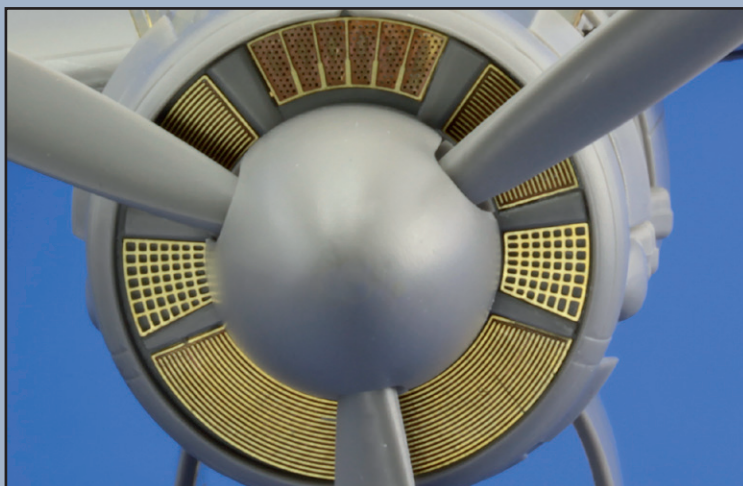
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EDITORIAL

Today marks an end to the 2016 Nuremburg Toy Fair. This also marked the twentieth year that we have attended. Over the twenty year span, pretty much everything has changed, from the display hall through our stall and its contents. Twenty years ago, it was not easy to even get to the fair. The display area was markedly smaller than it is today and there was a significant waiting list. The general rule was that if a vendor was not able to attend, he would be replaced by someone on the list, and they would then gain the right to be on the list for the following years. The problem was that the substitute vendor usually was not informed until just before the show that they could attend, not giving them much time to prepare. Because we saw the chance as a rare opportunity, and the phone call from the secretary of the show whipped us into motion, we managed to attend with the provisional display that we were able to put together. At the time, there were still the traditional border controls in place between the Czech Republic and Germany, with its usual lineups, cars and trucks and all that fun stuff, and we are now hoping that this will not be a part of our near future yet again. We were able to claim a large corner in an inflatable hall full of Chinese that decided that it was a good idea to serenade the surroundings with their latest musical hits. To this day, the thought of that sound sends chills down my spine. The hall was accessed via wooden platforms surrounded by mud, because there was construction of new halls taking place. But, we were there! Our participation at the fair was not well known, since communication then was not as effective as it is today. Even so, among the construction, Mr Ono was able to find us, and we were able to develop a partnership with not just him, but other business contacts. At the time, we were showing off our Tempest, which was at about the same state as today's Bf 109G-6, and I would not be at all upset if the new 109 achieves the same status as the Tempest did back then. Personally, I think it is headed that way, despite hiccups along the way. The new Tempest, as you should already be well aware of, is also in development.

Mr. Nori Ono passed away shortly before Christmas at the age of 86. He was a legend in our field, and in his hat he was an integral part

of every major world modelling event. His travelling enthusiasm was indomitable. His assistants rotated; he was a constant. He came with new ideas, and he constantly searched for new distribution ways. He got us into such events as at Shizuo and the Tokyo Hobby Show, and progressively brought in more Czech firms into Japanese distribution. He was an old school business man, his word was law, and what he bought, he paid for. At the turn of the century, he decided to take a break and sell his firm, which he did in 2007, when he sold a part of his business dedicated to the sale of plastic kits. Beaver is now owned by Scott Hards, the owner of the no-less famous Hobby Link Japan. He kept the other part of his business dedicated to distribution of racing sets until his death. In this field as well, he was a legend. He visited the Czech Republic many times. Every meeting with Mr. Ono was an event in itself, from the first in 1991 to the final one last year at Shizuo. He always had something to say, and what he said made sense. You will be missed, Ono san!

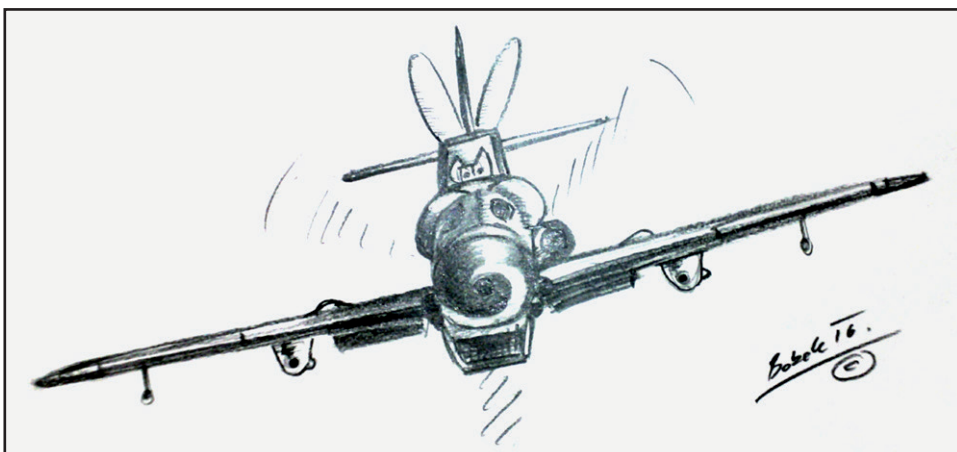
Today's newsletter will focus on February releases. We have three models on the list, starting with the Fw 190A-5 in 1/72nd scale in the Profipack boxing. The kit has two wing options, photoetched, masks, and five marking options with decals by Eduard. Then, we have another 48th scale Phantom. The box, under the name of 'Rockin' Rhino', contains the Academy F-4J Phantom II, along with photoetching, Brassin, masks and five camouflage options designed by Furball and printed by Cartograf. The trio is rounded out by the bubbletop Spitfire Mk.XVI in the Weekend line, with two markings options. Yes, I realize these are clones, but I think they have some-



thing to offer. With respect to photoetching, the releases for this month are attractive as well. We have sets for the current internet discussion champs, the Trumpeter MiG-23BN and the truly beautiful AMK MiG-31BM, both in 1/48th scale. The 48th Ju 88A-5 from ICM and even the very fresh (also 48th scale) Defiant from Airfix receive attention this month. In 1/72nd scale, we are releasing two sets for our own Fw 190A-5, for the Sea King HC.4 from Airfix and for Revell's Shackleton AEW.2. These all cover new kits that were the subject of much anticipation, and so our releases were timed to coincide as much as possible, and we believe the timing is good. AFV kits are covered in a set for the Magach 7c from Academy, and ships are covered with the USS Texas in 1/350. Brassins are expanding by nine sets including three for the MiG-29 in 1/72 from Trumpeter, which is a significant type for our home market. See the listing for the new masks that are being released, too, as well as the ZOOMs and Big Eds, as they are no less worthy of attention, most notably the Big Ed for the 1/32nd scale Tamiya Mosquito Mk.VI.

My friends, enjoy today's read, and happy modelling!

Vladimir Sulc.





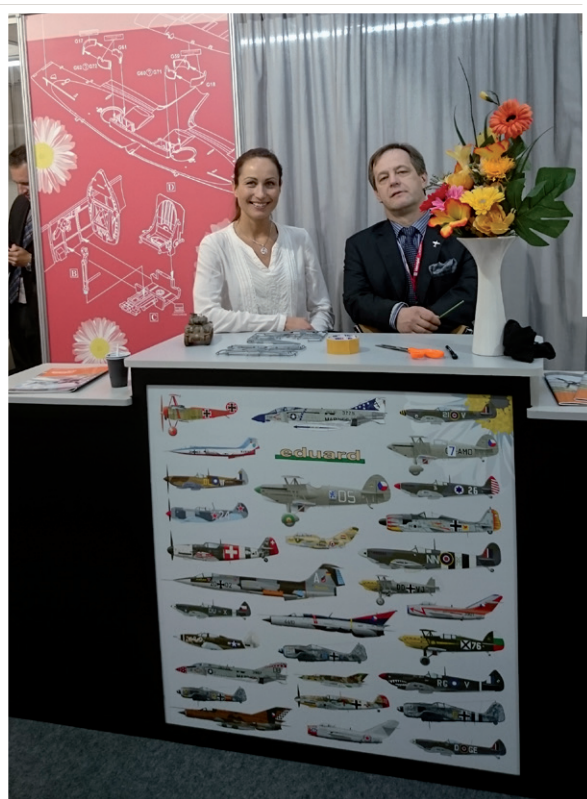
Vladimir Sulc is receiving an Innovation Award for the „72nd scale revolution“ from president of IPMS Germany Volker Helms.



Model Of The Year 2016 in 1/72 scale category awarded by Modellfan for Eduard Fw 190A-8.

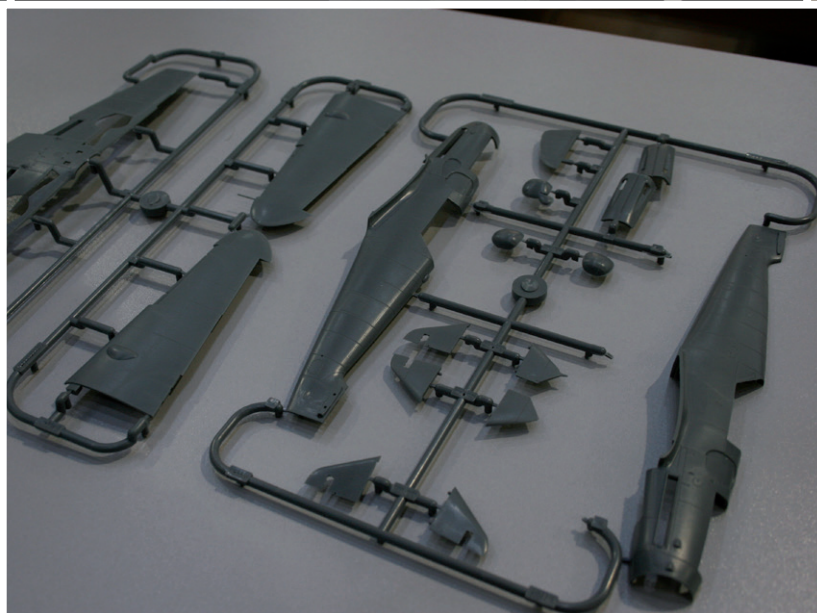


International Toy Fair Nuremberg, Jan. 27 - Feb. 1, 2016





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IS IN BUDAPEST
MEETING ROOM.
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WE'LL BE BACK
AT 4pm.

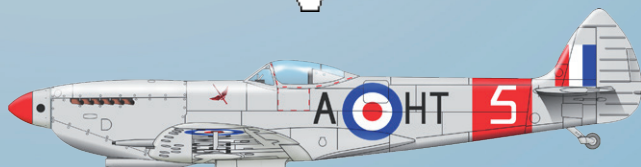


Spitfire Mk. XVI Bubbletop

1/48, Cat. No 84141



- 2 markings
- Eduard decals

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RW393, No. 601 Squadron RAuxAF, 1949



SL718, No. 612 Squadron RAuxAF, Cooper Air Race, Elmdon Air Base, July, 1949



84141-OBT1 Spitfire Mk.XVI Made in Czech Republic: Eduard M.A. © 2015

RECOMMENDED:

FE755 Spitfire Mk.XVI Weekend (PE-Set)

EX493 Spitfire Mk.XVI Bubbletop (Mask)

648216 Spitfire Mk.XVI gun bays (Brassin)

648217 Spitfire Mk.XVI engine (Brassin)

648218 Spitfire Mk.XVI wheels - 3 spoke (Brassin)

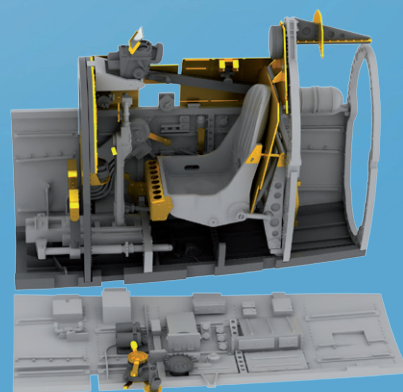
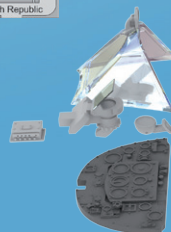
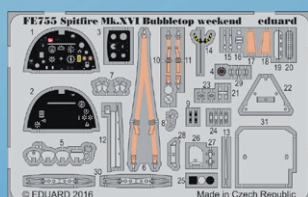
648206 Spitfire Mk.XVI cockpit (Brassin)

49725 Spitfire Mk. XVI (PE-Set)

49083 Spitfire Mk.XVI seatbelts SUPERFABRIC (PE-Set)

48850 Spitfire Mk.XVI surface panels (PE-Set)

48849 Spitfire Mk.XVI landing flaps (PE-Set)





FW 190A-5

1/72 Cat. No. 70116

- color photo-etched set
- painting mask
- Eduard decals
- 5 markings
- two versions of wing armament

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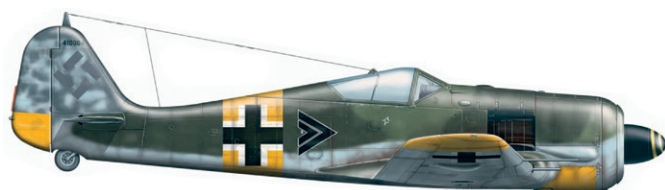
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672095 Fw 190A wheels early (Brassin)

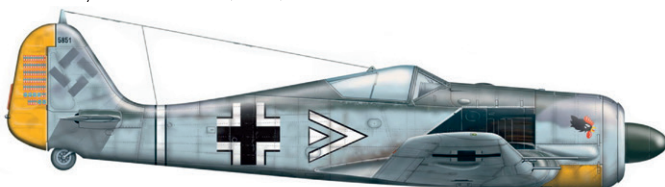
672086 Fw 190A propeller (Brassin)

72619 Fw 190A-5 landing flaps (PE-Set)

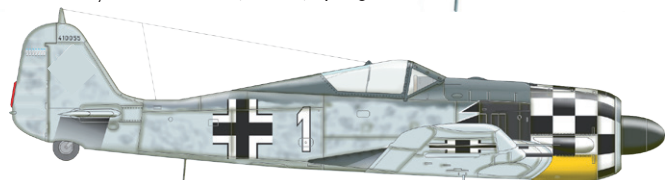
72620 Fw 190A-5 (PE-Set)



Hptm. Walter Nowotny,
CO of I./JG 54 Grünherz, Orel, Fall 1943

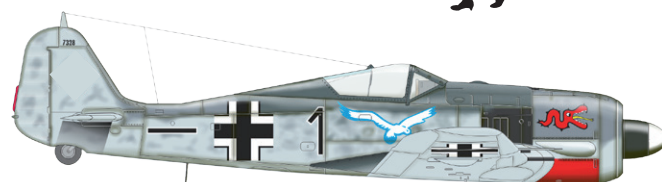


Hptm. Egon Mayer,
CO of III./JG 2 Richthofen, France, Spring 1943

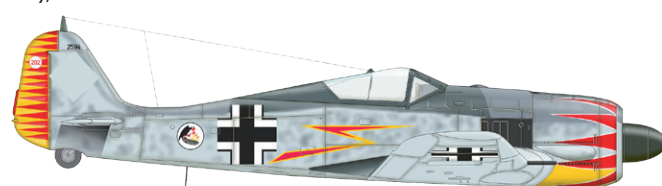


W.Nr. 410055, Flown by Uffz. Bernhard Kunze,
2./JG 1, The Netherlands, October, 1943

NEW TOOL!



W.Nr. 7328, Flown by Hptm. Dietrich Wickop,
CO of II./JG 1, Woensdrecht, The Netherlands,
May, 1943



W.Nr. 2594, Flown by Maj. Hermann Graf,
CO of JGr Ost, Bordeaux, France, Spring, 1943





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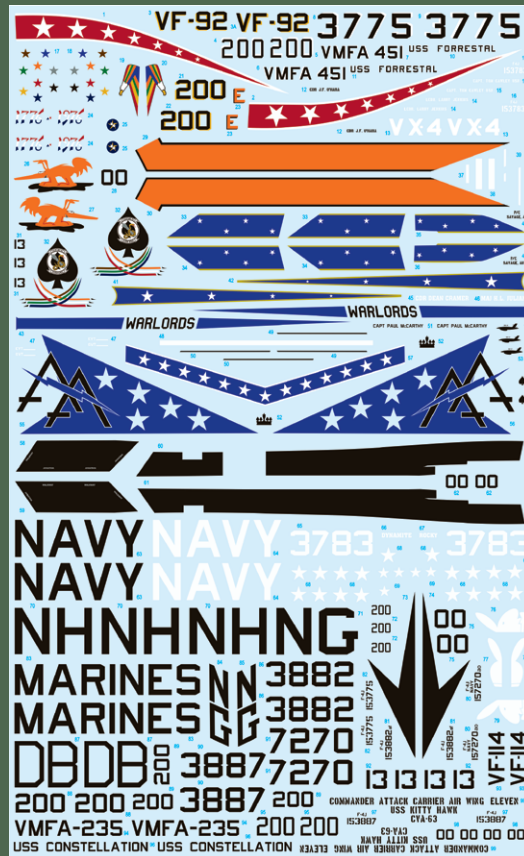
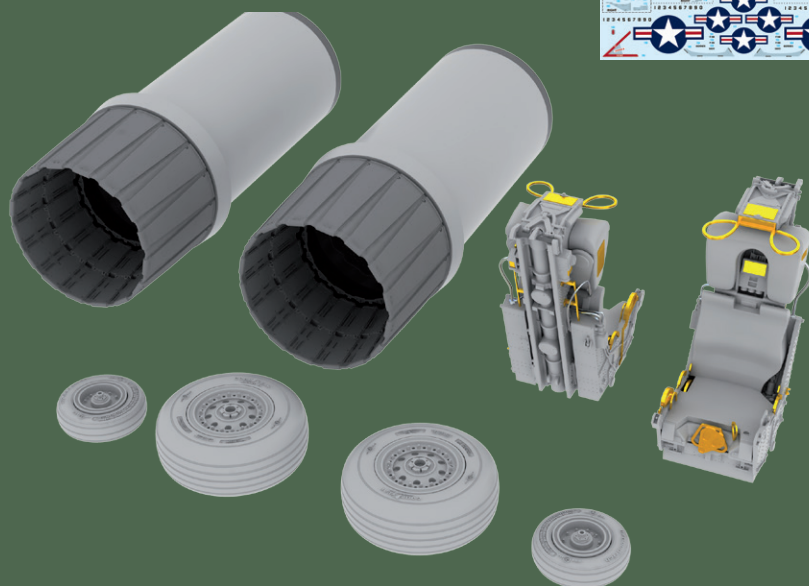
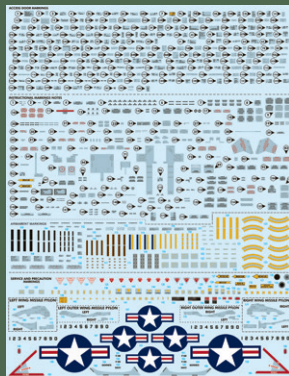
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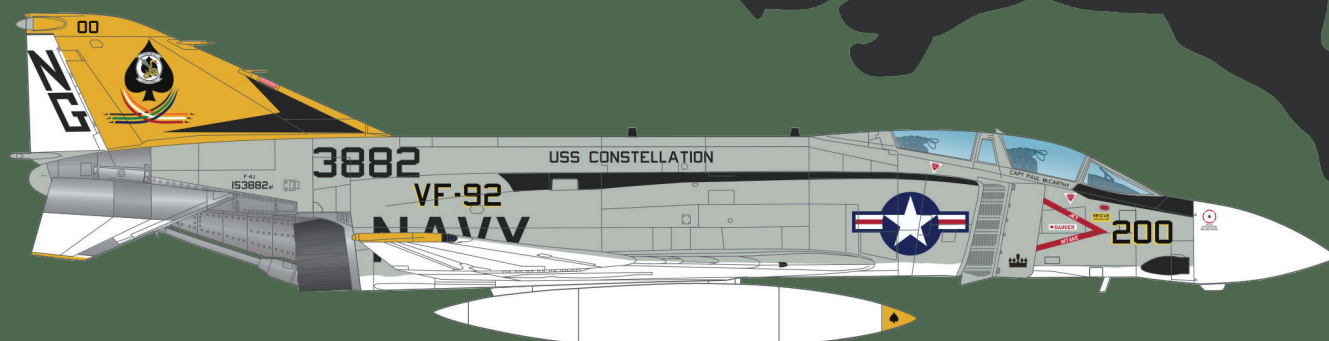
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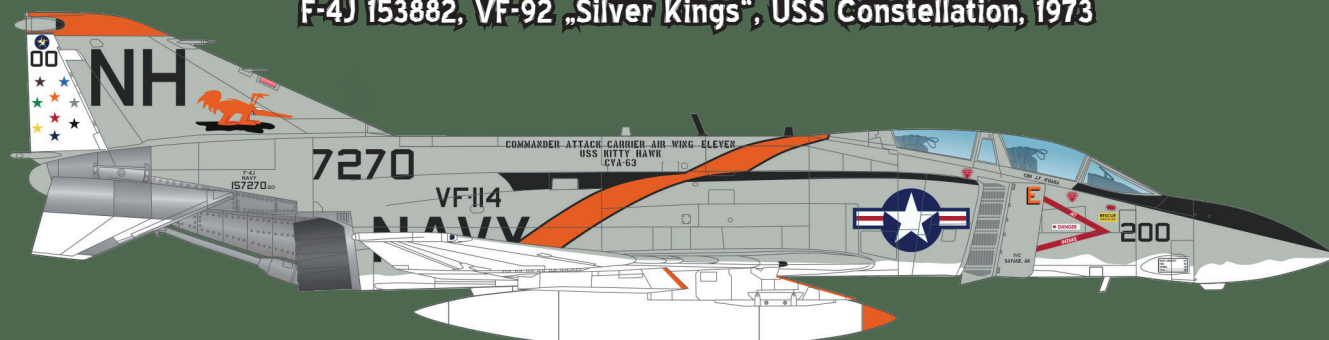
- color photo-etched set
- painting mask
- Cartograf decals
- 5 markings
- Brassin wheels, exhaust nozzles and seats



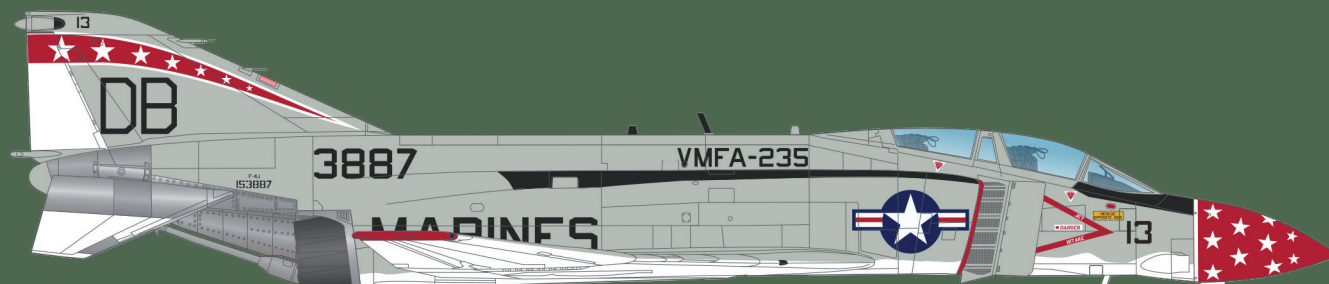
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F-4J 153882, VF-92 „Silver Kings“, USS Constellation, 1973



F-4J 157270, VF-114 „Aardvarks“, USS Kittyhawk, 1971



F-4J 153887, VMFA-235 „Death Angels“, MCAS Kaneohe Bay, 1972

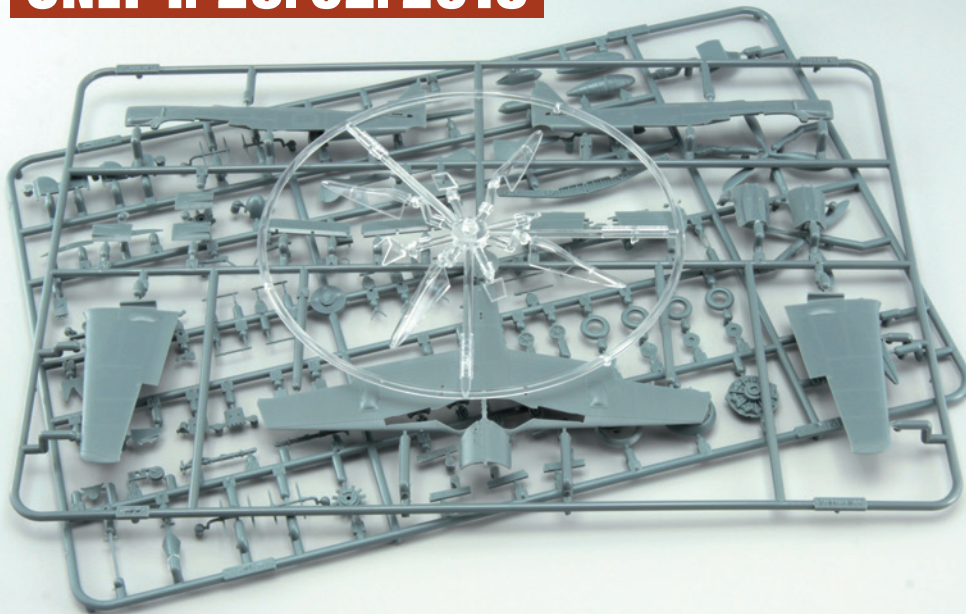


F-4J 153775, VMFA-451 „Warlords“, USS Forrestal, 1976



F-4J 153783, VX-4 „The Evaluators“, NAS Point Mugu, 1972

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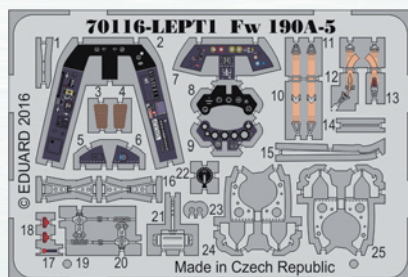
FW 190A-5 W/ BULGED WINGS 1/72

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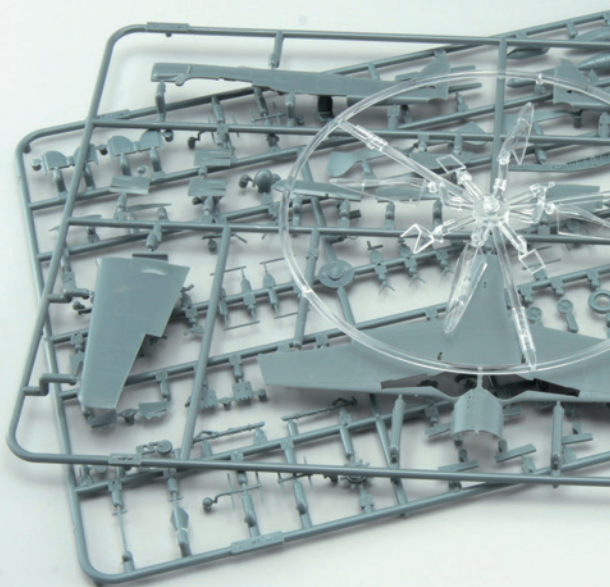
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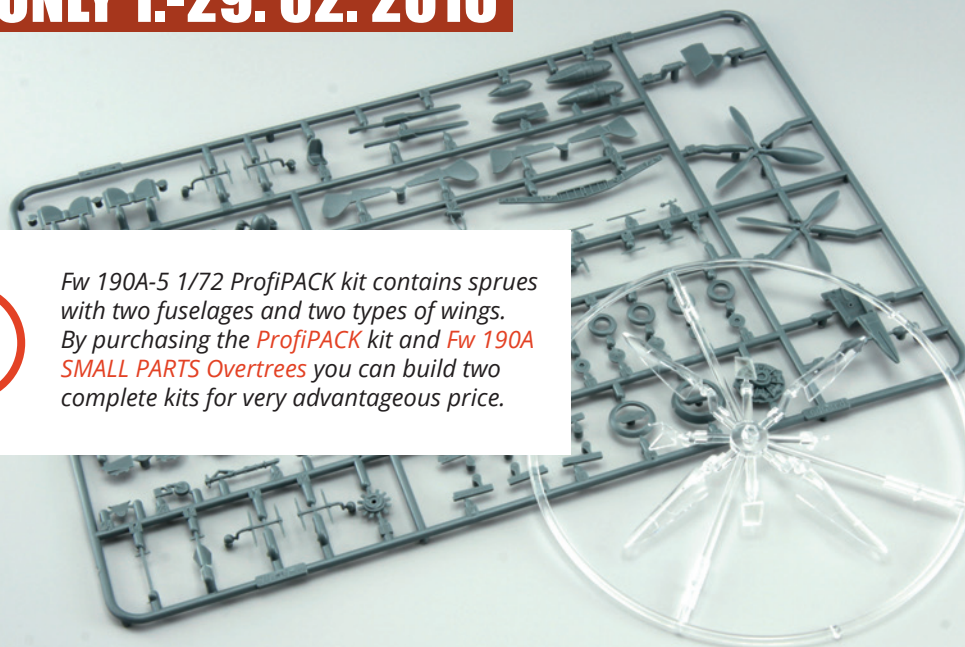
FW 190A-5 W/ SMOOTH WINGS 1/72

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i Fw 190A-5 1/72 ProfiPACK kit contains sprues with two fuselages and two types of wings. By purchasing the **ProfiPACK** kit and **Fw 190A SMALL PARTS Overtrees** you can build two complete kits for very advantageous price.



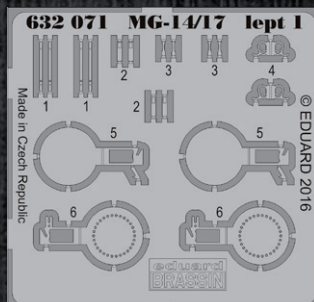
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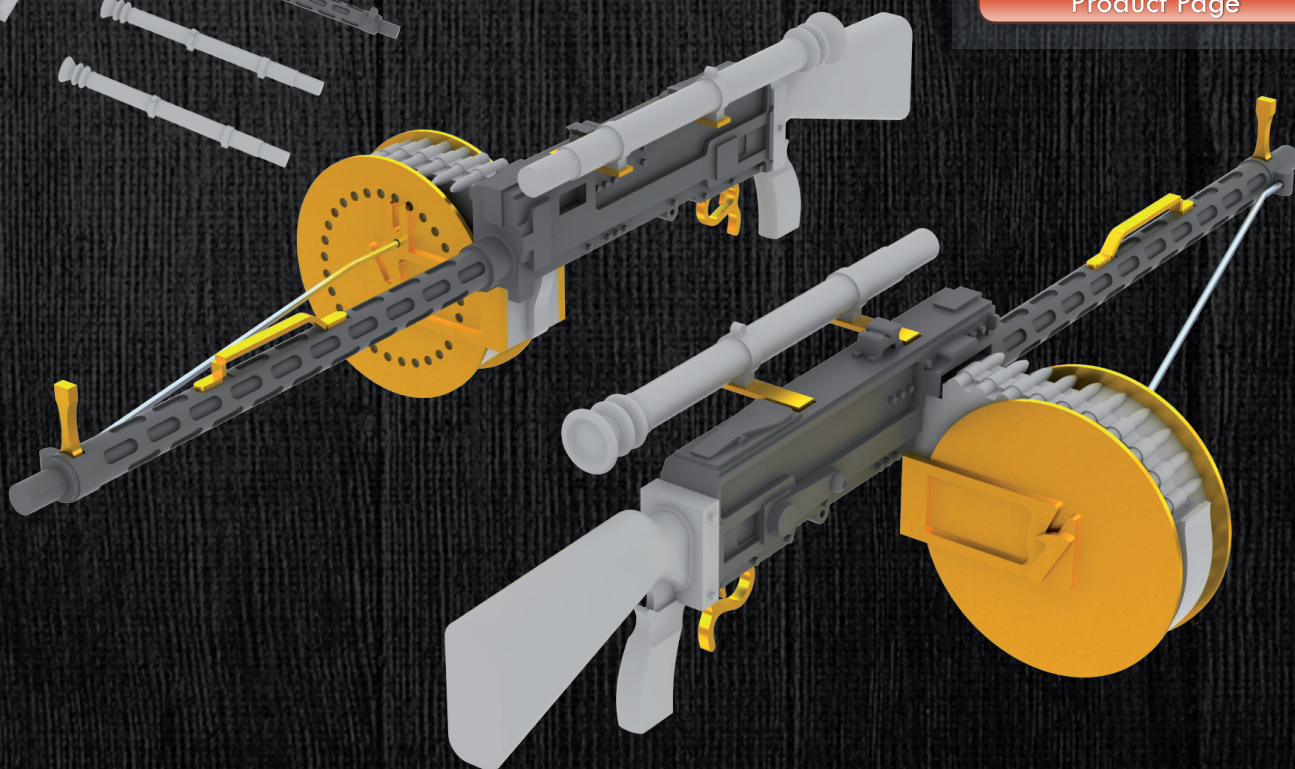
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Brassin set of 2 pieces of
MG 14/17 Parabellum WWI guns
in 32nd scale.

Set contains:
- resin: 8 parts
- decals: no
- photo-etched details: yes
- painting mask: no

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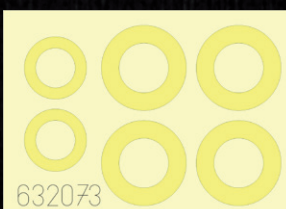
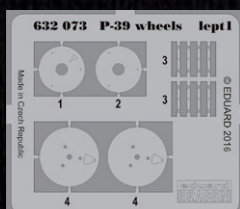
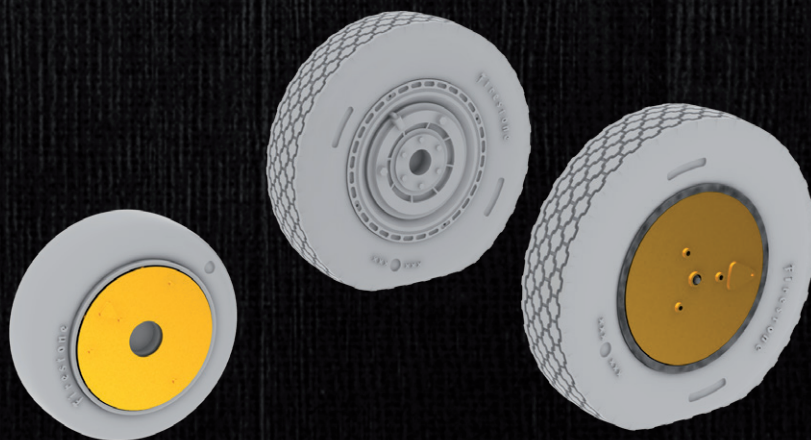


632073
P-39 wheels late
1/32 KittyHawk

Brassin set of 2 main wheels and
1 front wheel for P-39 in 32nd
scale by Kitty Hawk. Late version.

Set contains:
- resin: 5 parts
- decals: no
- photo-etched details: yes
- painting mask: yes

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648231 LAU-3/A 1/48

Brassin of 2 pieces of LAU-3/A rocket containers in 48th scale.

Set contains:

- resin: 10 parts
- painting mask: no
- decals: yes
- photo-etched details: no

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648231 OBT1 LAU-3/A



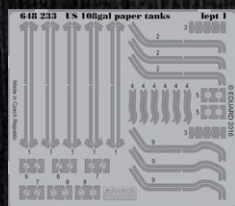
648233 US 108gal paper tanks 1/48

Brassin of 2 pieces of US 108gal paper tanks in 48th scale.

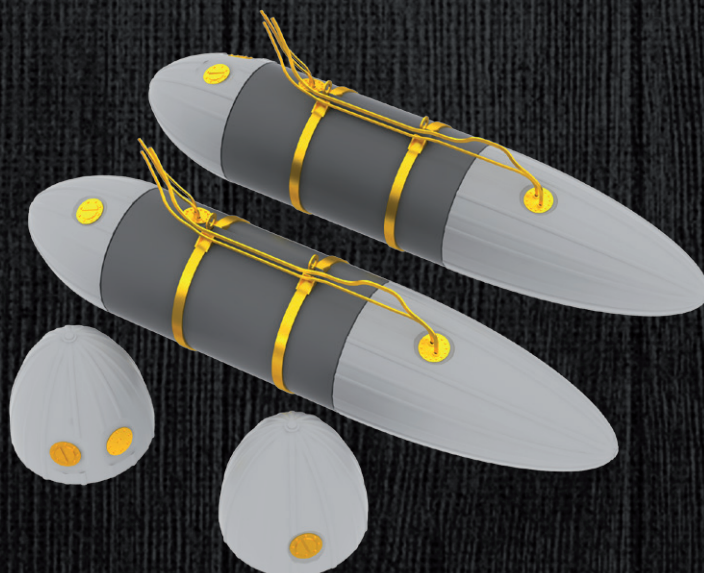
Set contains:

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- decals: yes
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- painting mask: no

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648233 OBT1 108 gallon US paper tanks



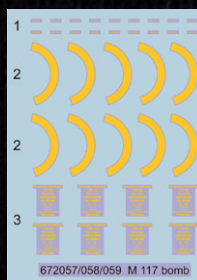
672058 M117 bombs late 1/72

Brassin set of 6 pieces of M117 bombs (late version) in 72nd scale.

Set contains:

- resin: 30 parts
- decals: yes
- photo-etched details: no
- painting mask: no

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672057/058/059 M 117 bomb



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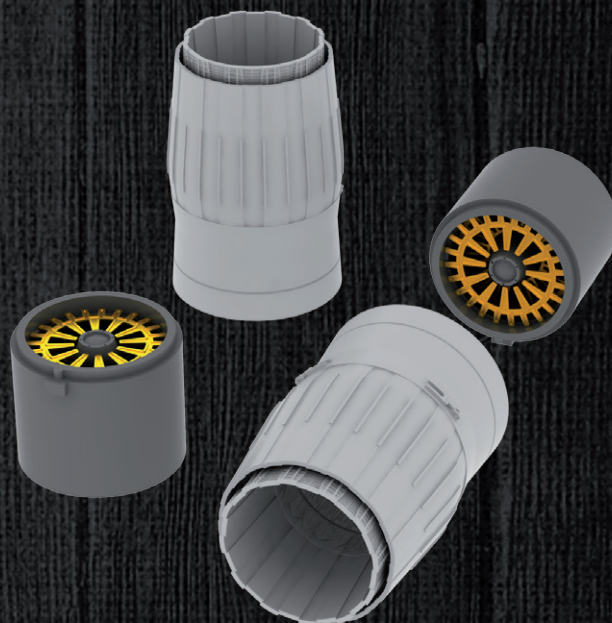
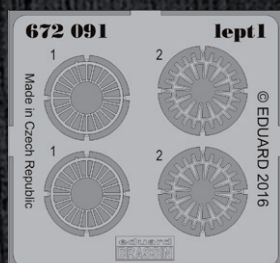
MiG-29A exhaust nozzles

1/72 Trumpeter

Brassin set of 2 pieces of MiG-29A exhaust nozzles for 72nd scale kit by Trumpeter.

Set contains:

- resin: 4 parts
- decals: no
- photo-etched details: yes
- painting mask: no

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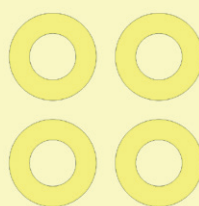
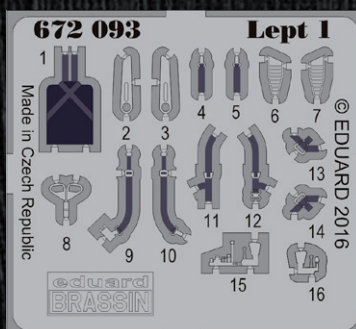
MiG-29A ejection seat

1/72 Trumpeter

Brassin set of MiG-29A ejection seat for 72nd scale kit by Trumpeter.

Set contains:

- resin: 1 part
- decals: no
- photo-etched details: yes
- painting mask: no

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672095

672095
Fw 190A wheels early
1/72 Eduard

Brassin set of 2 pieces of main undercarriage wheels (early version) for Fw 190A in 72nd scale by Eduard.

Set contains:

- resin: 2 parts
- decals: no
- photo-etched details: no
- painting mask: yes

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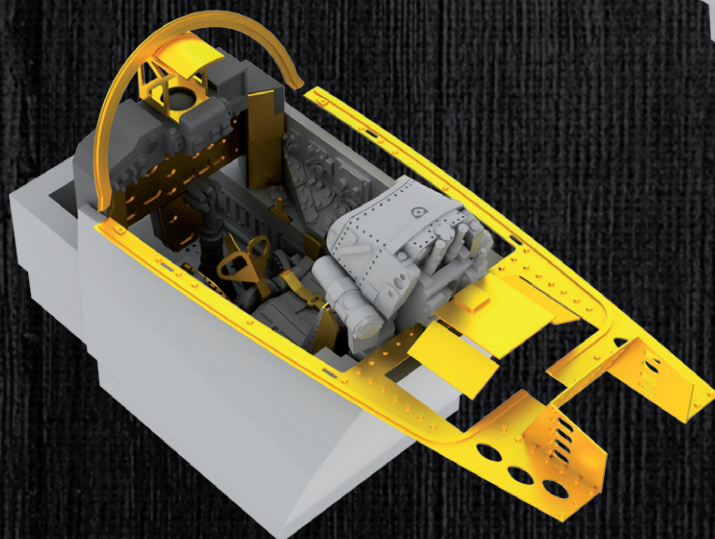
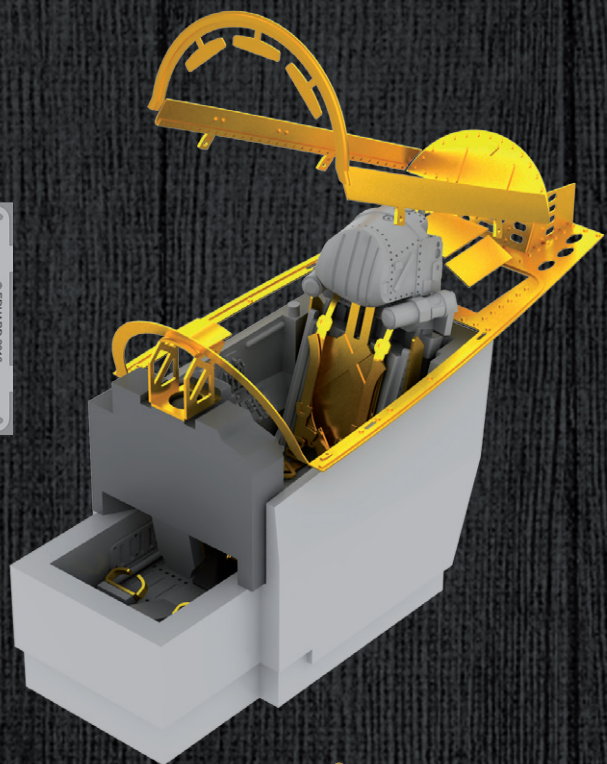
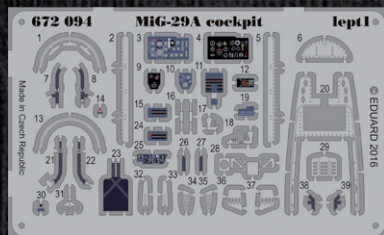
MiG-29A Izdelye 9-12 cockpit

1/72 Trumpeter

Cockpit Brassin set for MiG-29A
Izdelye 9-12 in 72nd scale by
Trumpeter.

Set contains:

- resin: 5 parts
- decals: no
- photo-etched details: yes
- painting mask: no

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E-BUNNY'S SQUAT



BIGSIN collection containing 4 individual Brassin sets and 2 photo-etched sets for Fw 190A-8 in 72nd scale by Eduard.

- general interior & exterior set
- SUPERFABRIC seatbelts
- wheels late
- cockpit
- propeller
- engine & fuselage guns

All sets included in this BIG SIN are available separately, but with every BIG SIN set you save up to 30%.

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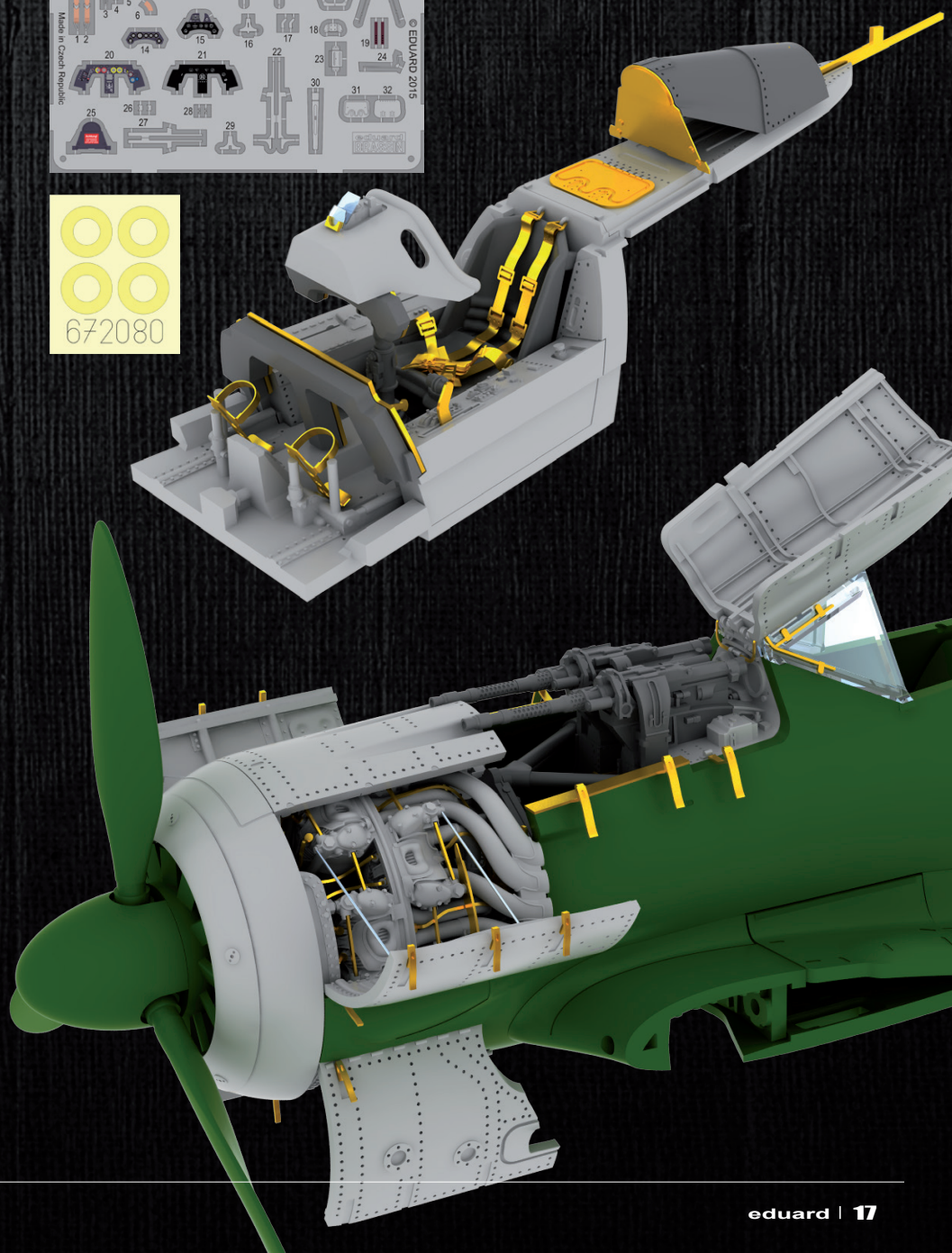
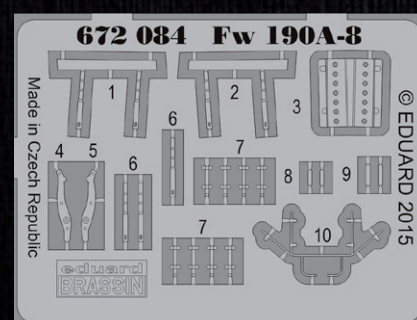
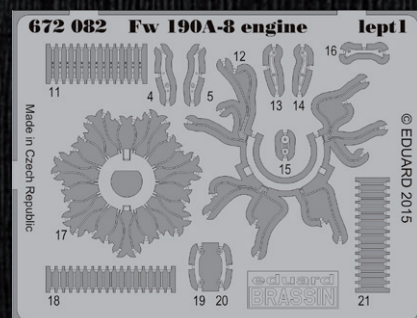
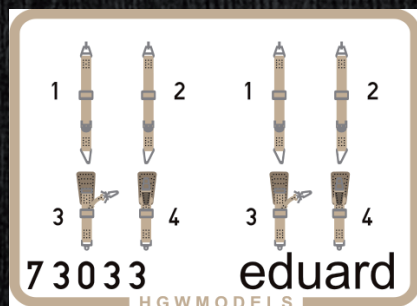
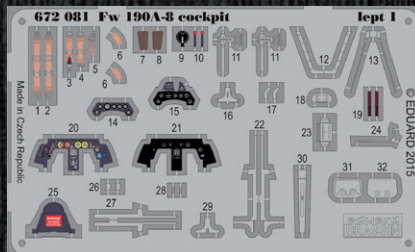
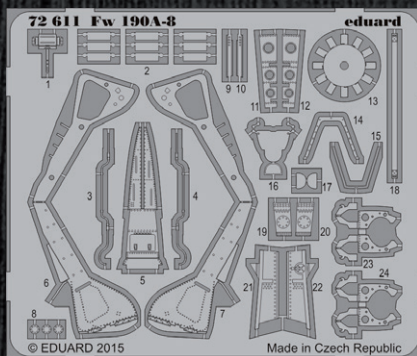
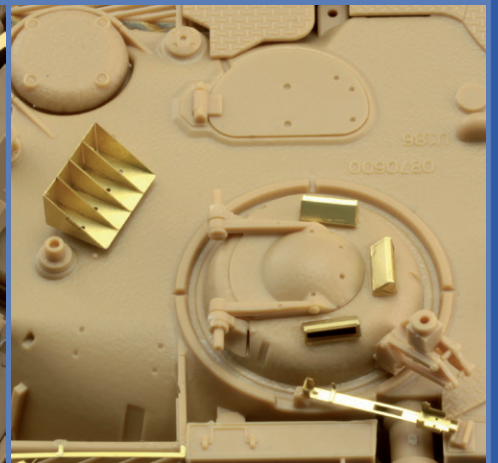
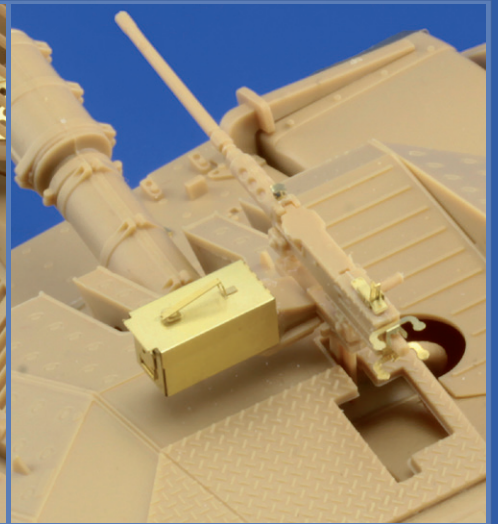
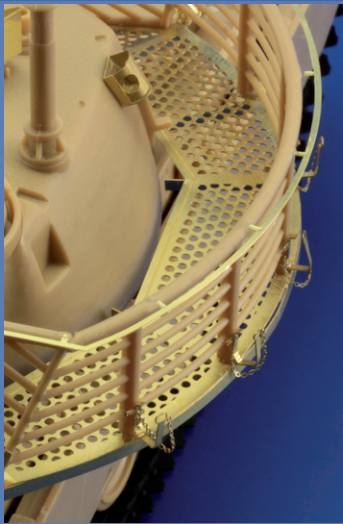


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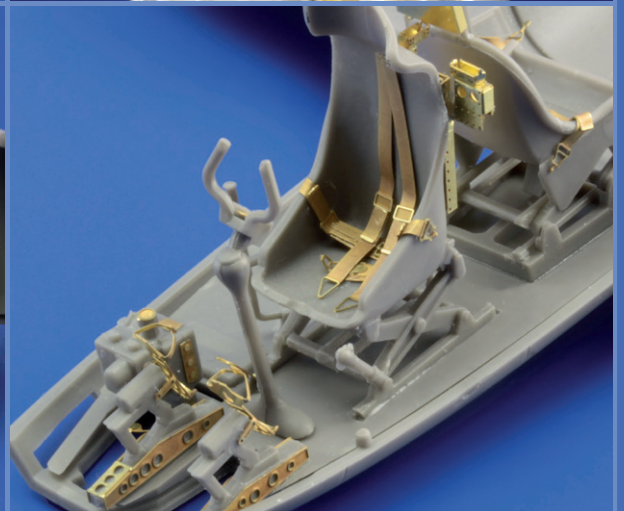
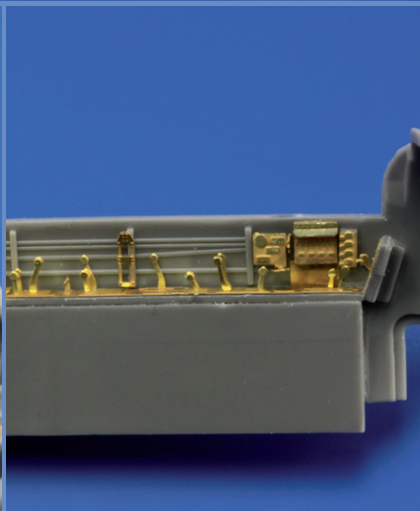
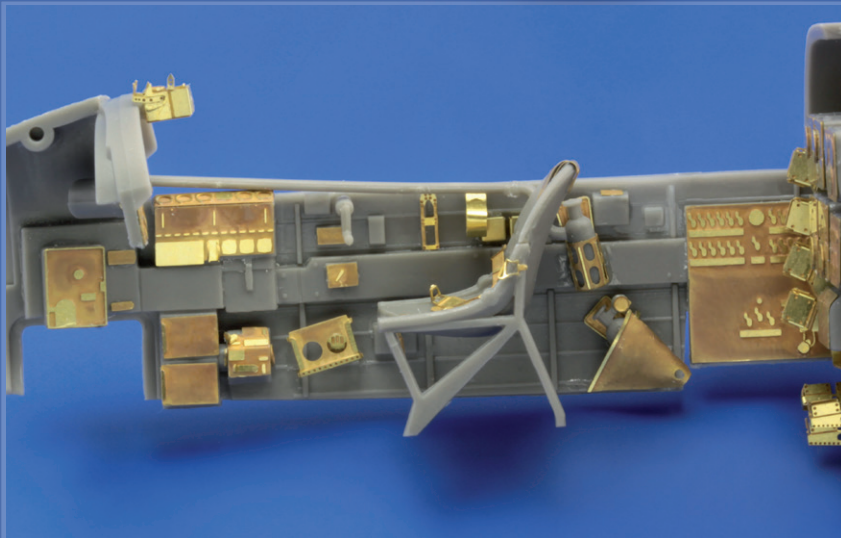


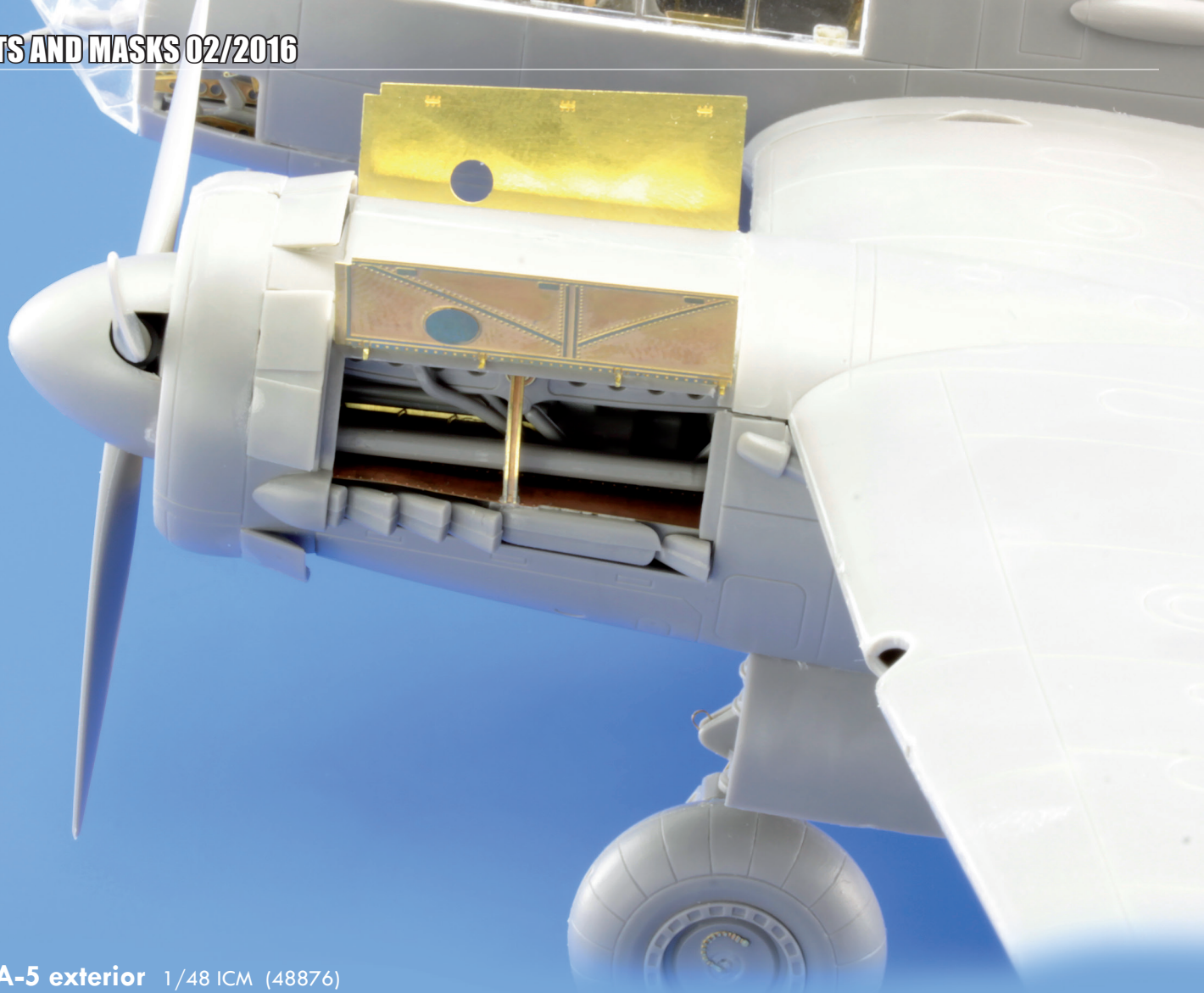
Magach 7c 1/35 Academy (36333)



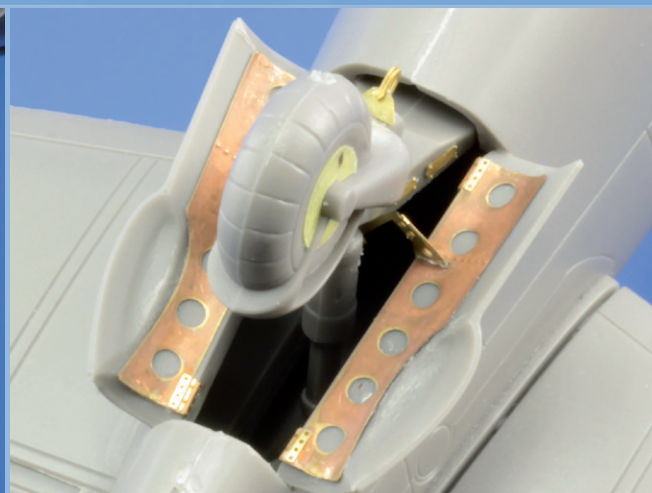
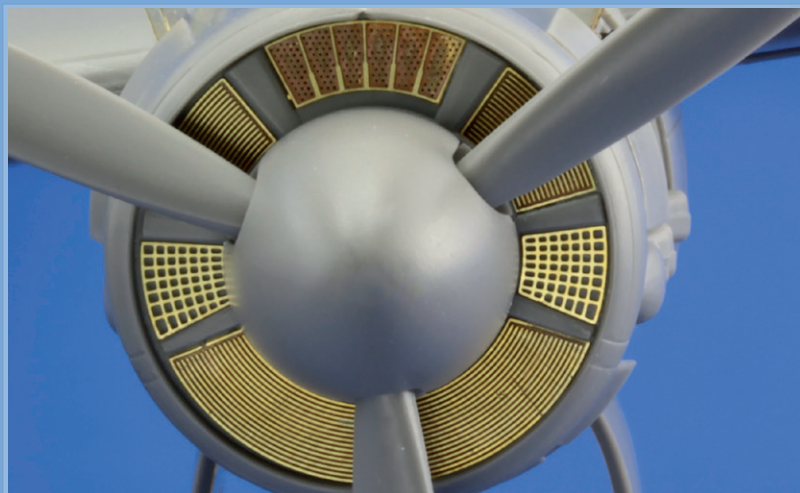


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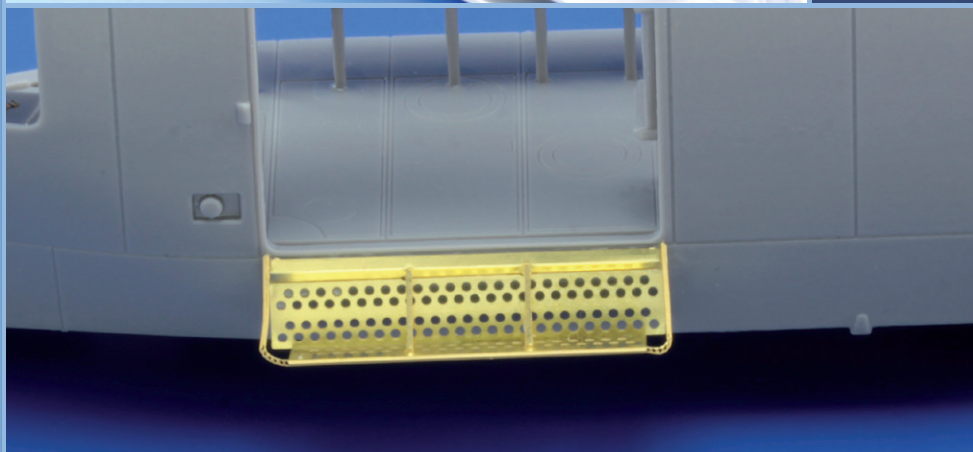
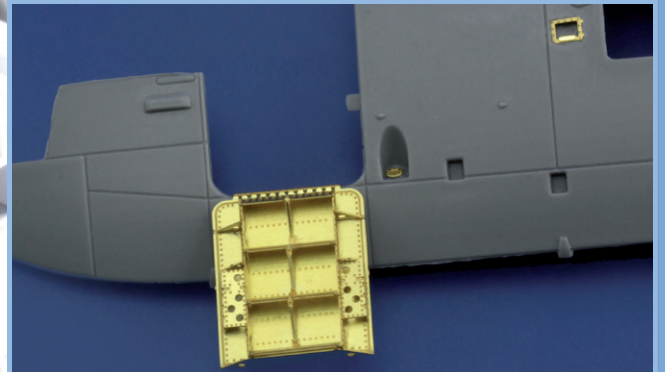
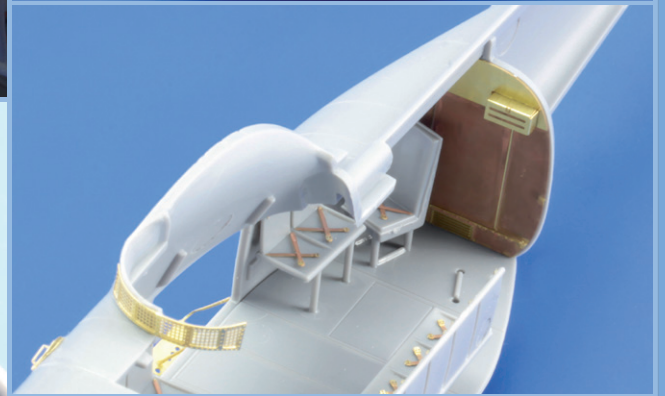
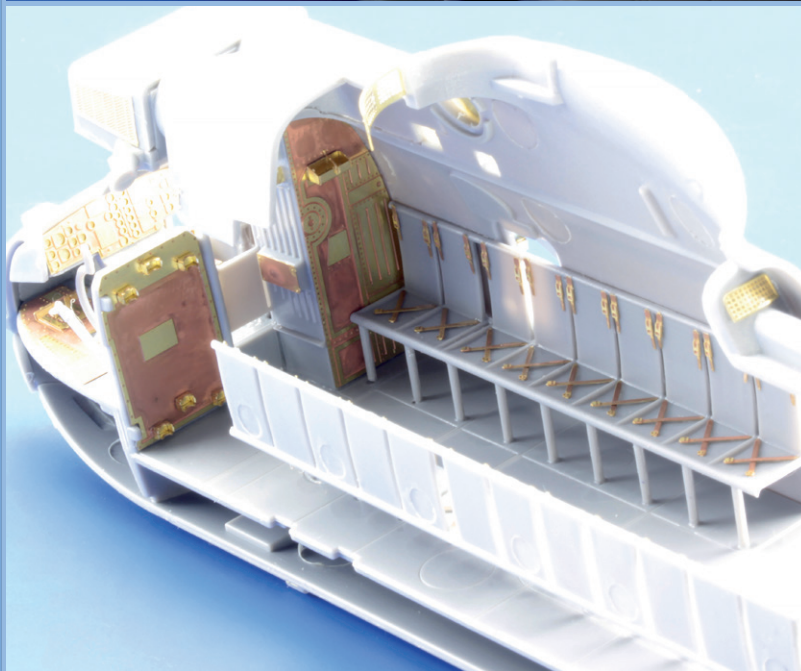
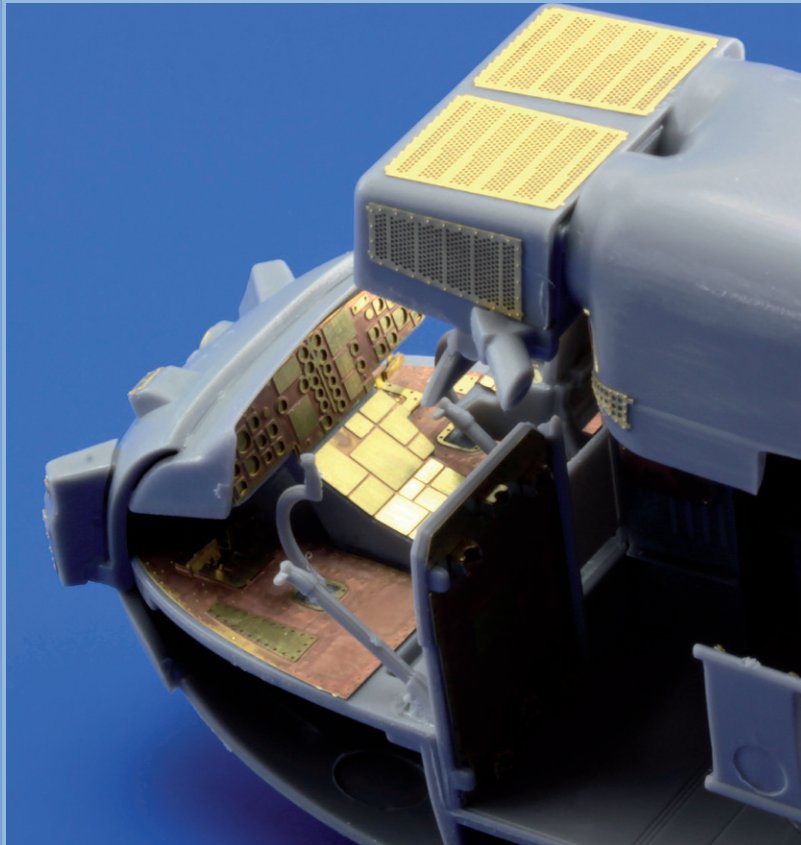


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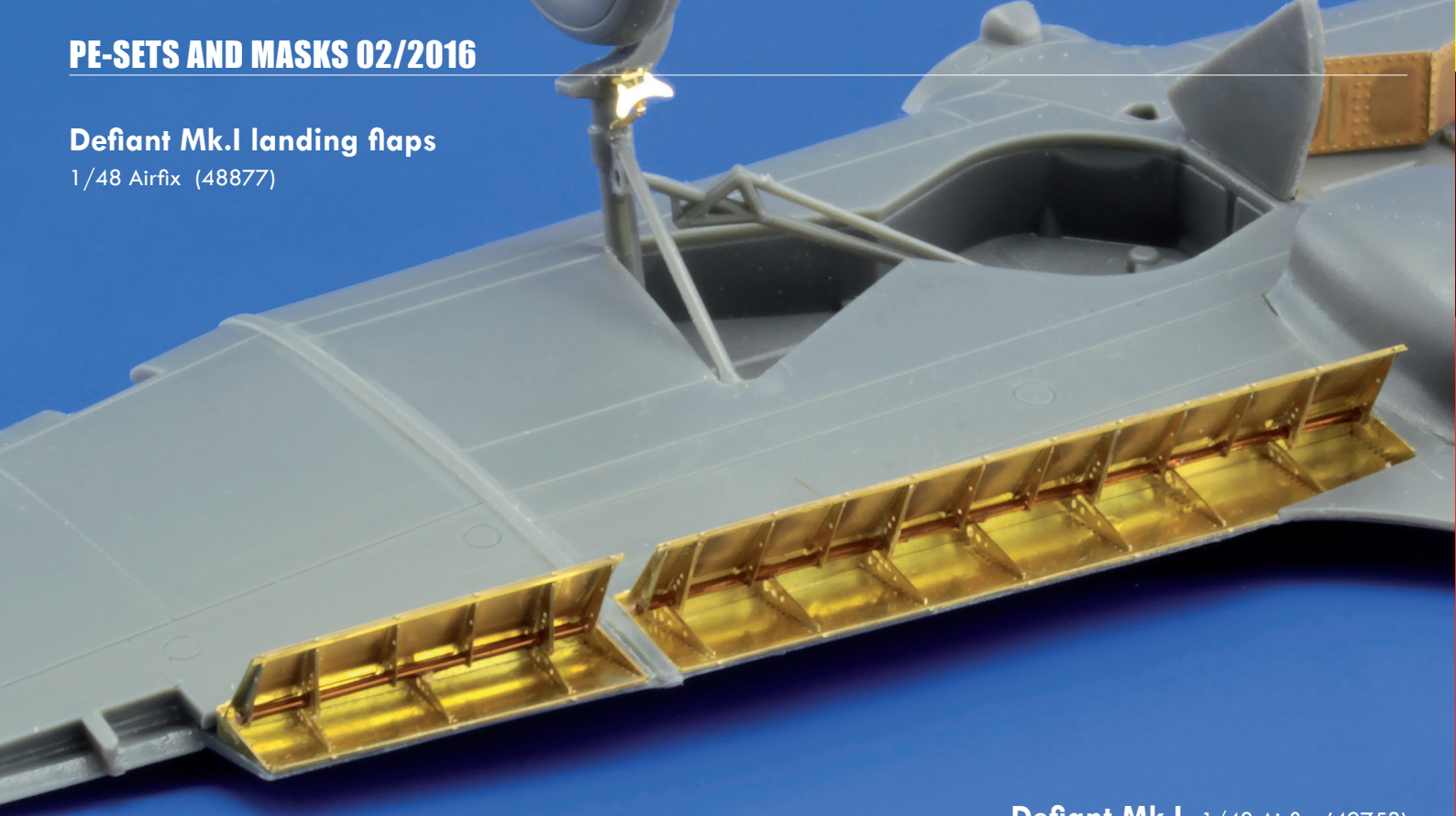
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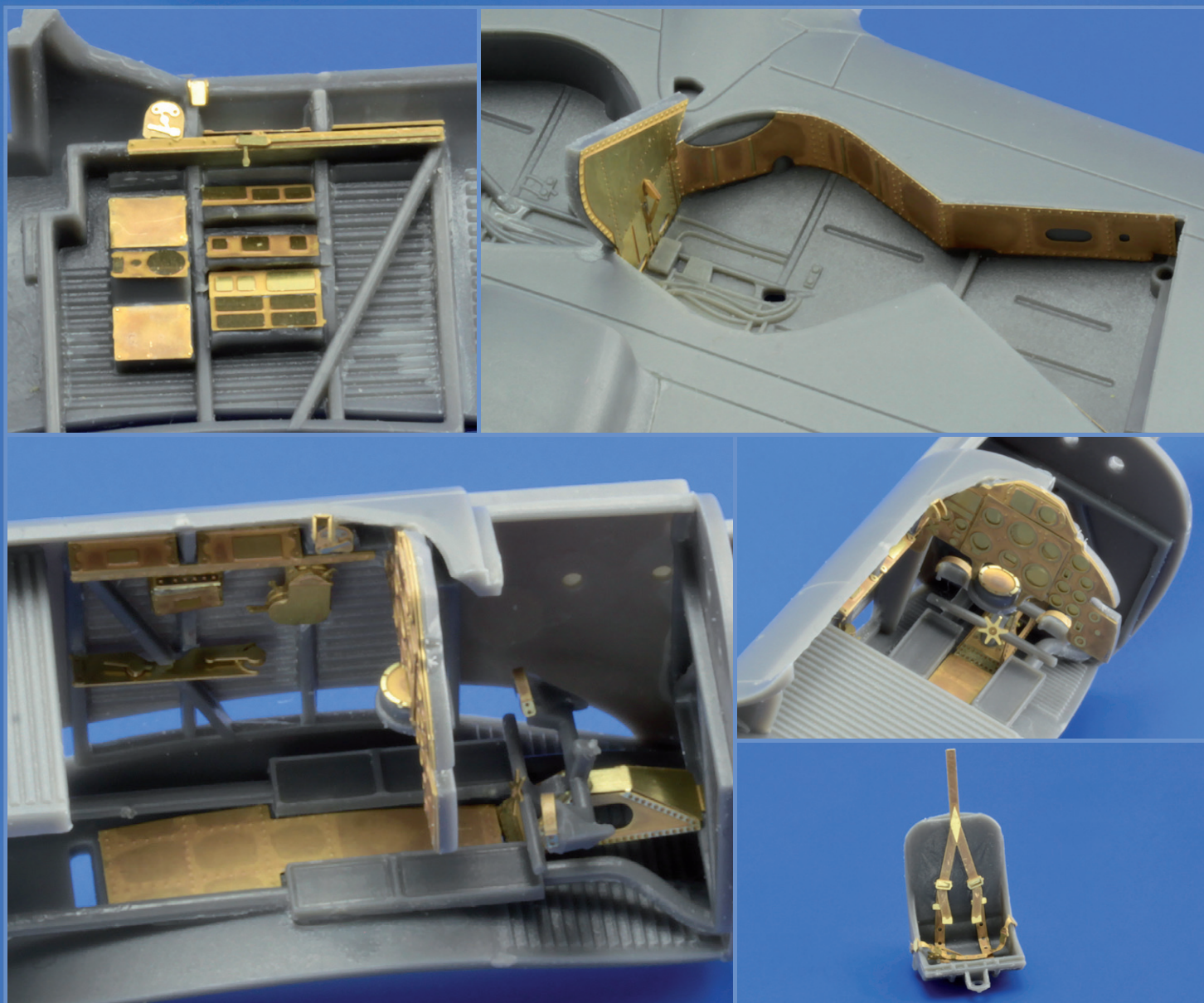


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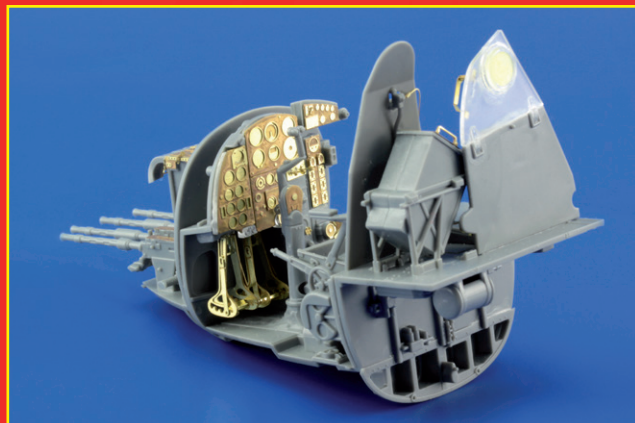


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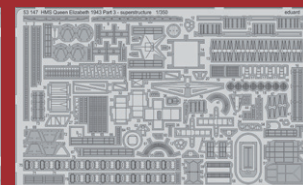
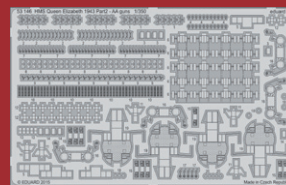
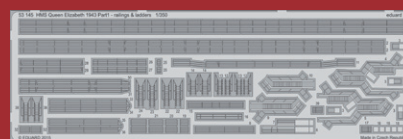
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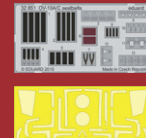
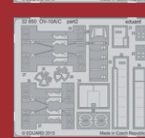
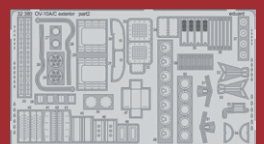
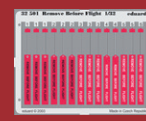
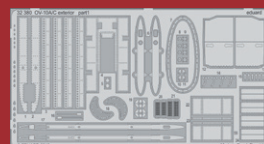
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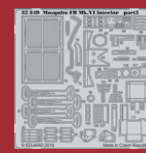
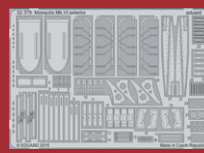
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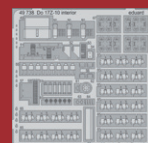
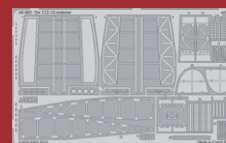
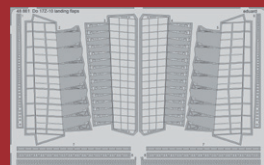
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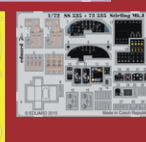
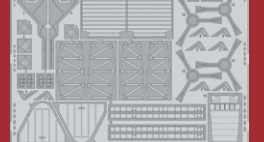
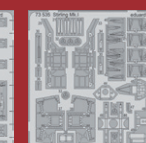
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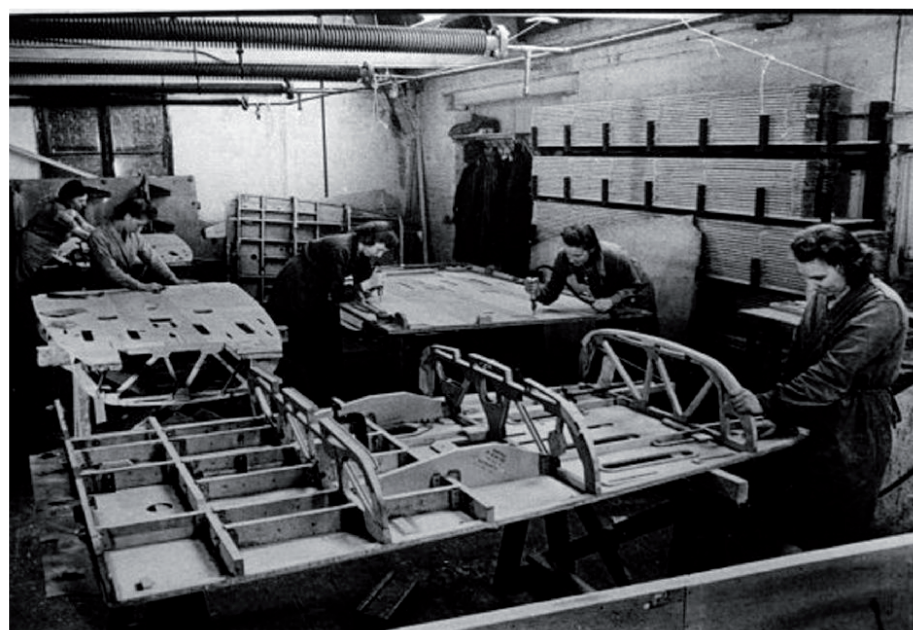
Mosquito – A legend borne in wood



James Hatch

There are numerous contenders for the aircraft that changed the course of World War II, and if you remove the emotional element of people's various own opinions, there will of course be a number of types that top that list. Along with the B-17, Mustang and Lancaster, another name will commonly be mentioned will be that of de Havilland's beautiful Mosquito design. This aircraft claimed the honour of being a 'multi-role' type, way before the term was even officially coined. There didn't seem a task to which the Mosquito wasn't suited. It was used as a fighter-bomber, light bomber, night fighter, and was also used for special operations such as the daring Amiens Gestapo prison break during Operation Jericho.

As with a number of projects that went onto change the way that the war was conducted, the de Havilland Mosquito may well have never happened. In fact, over the period of inception and initial prototype construction, the type was threatened with cancellation not once, but twice. Despite what the Mosquito went on to eventually achieve in its distinguished service life, it was originally designed to fulfil the role of light medium bomber with a capacity of carrying 3000lbs, and powered by two engines. There was no initial requirement from the Air Ministry's 1936 P.13/36 specification, for the aircraft to be built from non-strategic materials, nor for the design to be unarmed. Handley Page's designer, however, determined that a fast unarmed bomber would be a viable proposition. As the march towards war continued, the use of



The extensive use of timber and traditional joinery construction is seen here, with lady operatives working on the belly bay components.

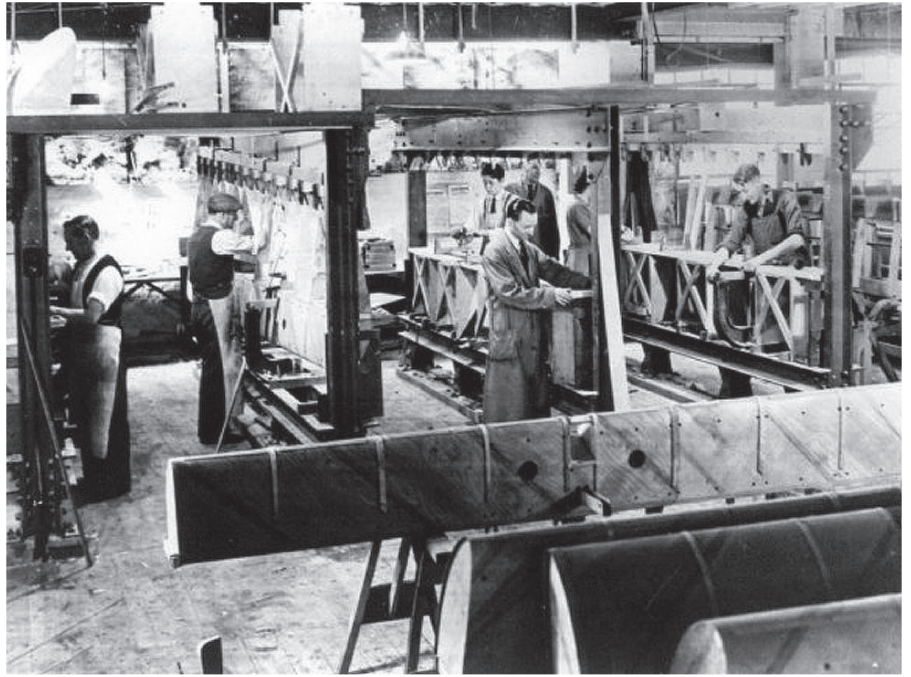
Title photo: The 'Wooden Wonder' was also used by the USAAF for both photo-recon and special operations.

HISTORY

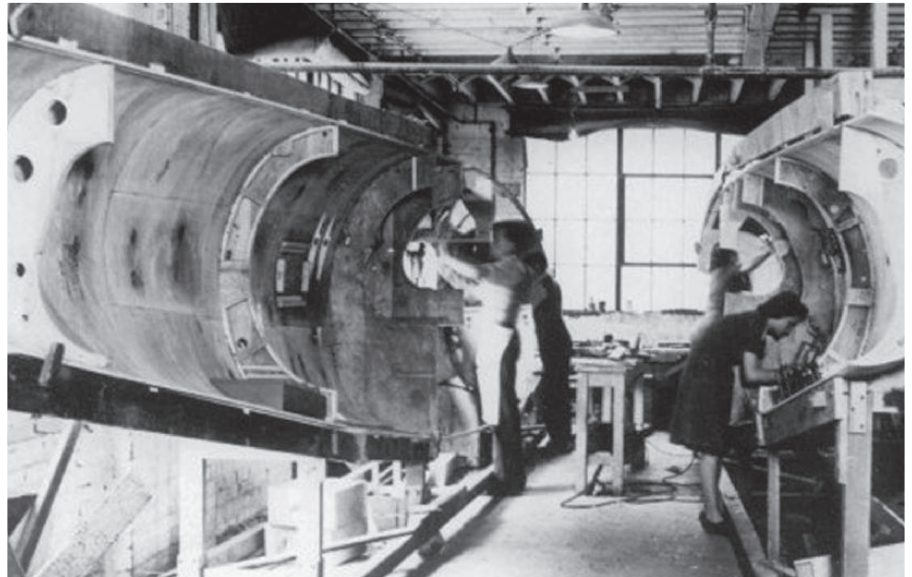
non-strategic materials was seen to be more of a necessity. It was already envisaged that during a likely conflict, that Britain's supply of raw metals would be stretched to maximum, and that using a more readily available material, wood, would be a sensible proposition. In 1938, this was enshrined in Air Ministry specification B.9/38, and so it was that the wheels were set in motion for the birth of the Mosquito. Originally, it had been de Havilland's proposition that a twin Merlin-engine version of the DH.91 was adapted to suit the new specification, as this was already in development, but with the crew numbers and proposed turret defence, its use was looking more and more unlikely. De Havilland also looked at the DH.95 before eventually settling on an entirely new design, based on their own expertise and specifics laid down in the improved B.9/38 Specification.

The use of wood for aircraft production was being increasingly seen as a retrograde step, in an age where modernity was at the forefront of aircraft design technology. Germany was producing aircraft using light, thin alloys and aluminium technology in order to produce fast aircraft that could pose a threat to air superiority in the event of a war. However, the use of timber was a smart step as not only was it relatively cheap, but it also provided the designer with a material that has a superior strength to weight ratio that many metals/alloys. A lesser torsional strength meant that the designer had to box clever when using this material. The Mosquito prototype was only one of two designs put forward by de Havilland, with the other being for a slightly smaller, single engine aircraft with a lesser bomb-carrying capacity. De Havilland himself pushed the proposal for the twin-engine aircraft that would be so fast as not to need defensive armament. And so it was that the DH.98 was designed and full size mock-ups built in secret at de Havilland's facility at Salisbury Hall. The prototype, E0234, was also being constructed simultaneously, and despite a threat of cancellation in the wake of the Battle of Dunkirk, between May and June 1940, the design continued unabated. In fact, Lord Beaverbrook, Minister for Aircraft Production, had decreed that the project was shelved as there wasn't an immediate requirement for the fulfilment of the Air Ministry Specification. The project itself was starved of the very materials it needed for its development, but that didn't stop Air Vice Marshall Wilfred Freeman from ignoring Beaverbrook's request that development should cease. As the war situation changed for the worse for Britain in mid-1940, Beaverbrook was approached by de Havilland who then promised that their facility could provide them with 50 completed DH.98 machines for the end of 1941. This figure was fantasy, but it was enough for Beaverbrook to reinstate the DH.98 project, and so it was that the Mosquito could now be pushed forward with expediency. Restrictions on supplied materials were lifted, and as they say, the rest is the stuff of legend.

The actual design of the Mosquito was innovative, but not entirely unique. Much has been made of how the fuselage was constructed as halves, with wooden strips overlaying a shaped concrete butt, before then being fitted out and both halves glued together, much like a model aircraft. This technique though, had ironically been perfected by the Germans in the First World War, with the LFG Roland C.II 'Walfisch', which utilised exactly the same technology that produced a superbly light and extremely robust fuselage shell. This technique was one of the key successes to de Havilland's new Mosquito design. Plywood, spruce and balsa laminations were used to construct the fuselage, and the completed section was laid over a full span wing that was designed with an internal box structure of ribs and forward/rear spars, in or-



In this photo, wing assemblies are clearly seen under construction. This is a scene that was being replayed in many locations around the UK from 1942 onwards. Again, this is a furniture manufacturer in High Wycombe.



Here we can see the fuselage formers now installed within the halves. This wasn't a unique method of construction, having been used by the Germans during WWI, on their LFG Roland C.II Walfisch.



The Mosquito's fuselage was produced by forming timber strip laminates over a concrete buck. When cured, the halves were fitted out and glued together, much like a plastic model kit.

der to lessen the effect that torque would have on the timber.

De Havilland's design was genius in so many ways. Not only could the new Mosquito out-perform not only many enemy aircraft in terms of speed, agility and altitude, but it was also one of the very best in the arsenal of the Allies. It acquired a reputation that was entirely deserved, and could be adapted for just about any role that that it was assigned. Almost 8000 were built before production ceased in 1950. To sum up the general feeling and attitude towards the Mosquito by her very enemies, Reichsmarschall Hermann Göring said this in 1943:

"In 1940 I could at least fly as far as Glasgow in most of my aircraft, but not now! It makes me furious when I see the Mosquito. I turn green and yellow with envy. The British, who can afford aluminium better than we can, knock together a beautiful wooden aircraft that every piano factory over there is building, and they give it a speed which they have now increased yet again. What do you make of that?"

There is nothing the British do not have. They have the geniuses and we have the nincompoops. After the war is over I'm going to buy a British radio set - then at least I'll own something that has always worked."

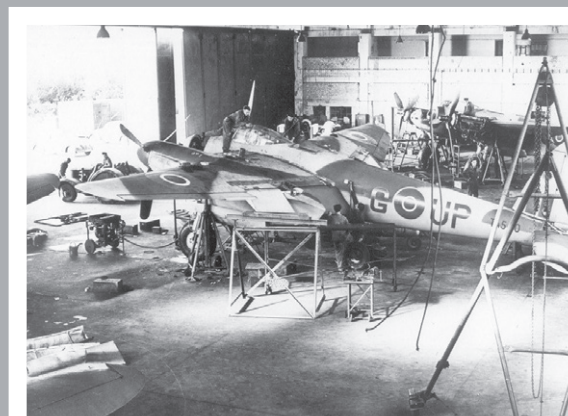
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Many female operatives worked in Britain's war industry, and here we can see the Mosquito's wooden components being produced in a manufacturing hall.



Much Mosquito production was subcontracted to furniture manufacturers, with the High Wycombe area being rich in such talents. Here, a completed Mosquito fuselage is loaded onto a truck for transportation.



Newly constructed Mosquito aircraft in the final stages of assembly at the production facility in High Wycombe.

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Mosquito KB 315 in US service as a photo-recon F.8

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Fw 190A-5 1/72



built by Petr Zatřepálek



W.Nr. 2594, Flown by Maj. Hermann Graf,
CO of JGr Ost, Bordeaux, France, Spring, 1943

Hermann Graf was credited with 212 kills, 202 of them over the Eastern Front. He was awarded the Knight Cross with Oak Leaves, Swords and Diamonds on September 16, 1942 for 172 kills. Graf flew this colorful aircraft in the spring of 1943 when he served as the CO of Jagdgruppe Ost, a training unit. The unit crest – a bird teaching fledglings – is painted on the right side of the fuselage. The numeral on the rudder represents Graf's score. He would add ten more while serving with JGr 50 and JG 11. The appearance of this aircraft gradually changed and even included the U7 kit.



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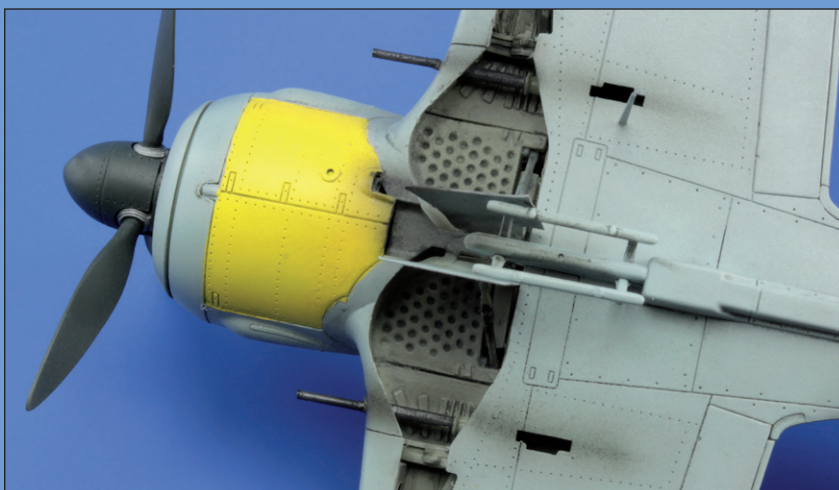
Fw 190A-5 1/72

built by Jakub Nademlejnský



Hptm. Egon Mayer, CO of III./JG 2 Richthofen, France, Spring 1943

Egon Mayer spent his entire military career with JG 2, starting in 1939. He was especially successful during the RAF summer offensive in 1941, as well as through the spring of 1942. He took over command of III./JG 2 in November, 1942, and became a pioneer in the development of the fight against four engined heavy bombers. He was Kommodore (Wing Commander) of JG 2 from July, 1943. He was killed in action in a dogfight with P-47D Thunderbolts on March 2nd, 1944 over Montmedy. In early February, 1944, he reached the 100 aerial victory mark, the first to do so on the Western (Channel) Front. He flew 353 combat missions, gaining 102 air to air victories, and was awarded the Knight's Cross with Oak Leaves and Swords. Lt. Hans-Werner Zająz of 9./JG 2 was shot down during combat with heavy bombers in this machine on June 28th, 1943.



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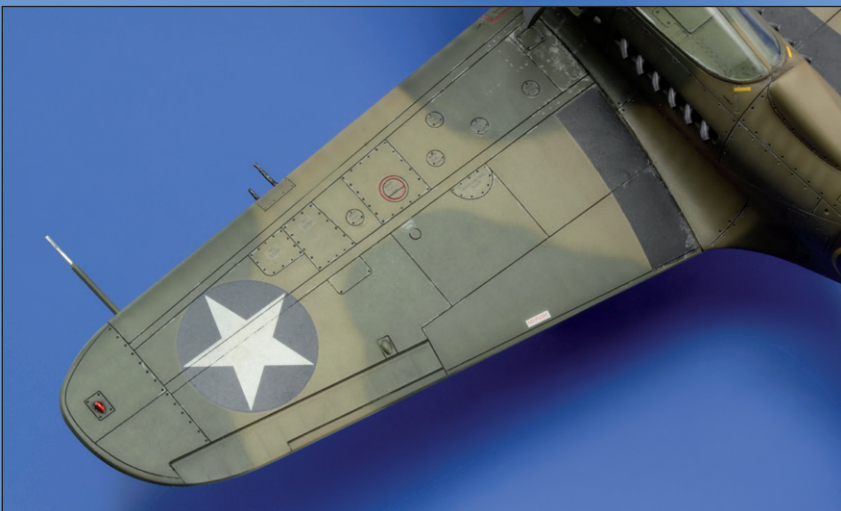


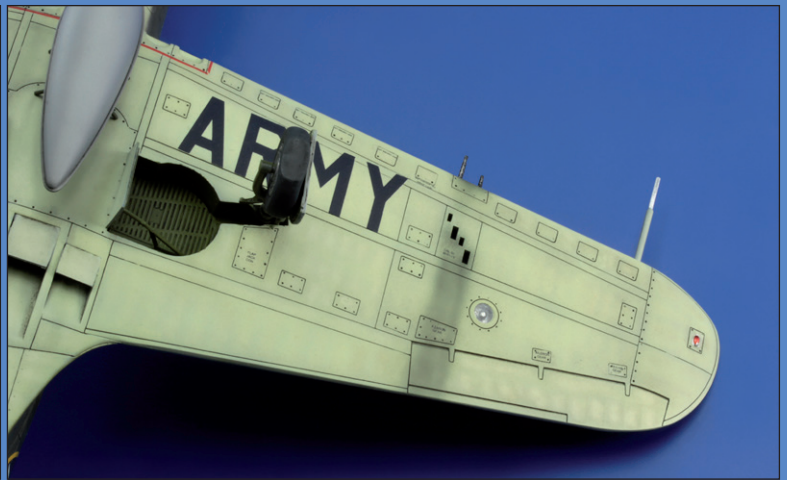
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P-400 Air A Cutie 1/48



built by Petr Zatléřpálek





P-400, Capt. James R. Hillin, 91st FS / 81st FG, Tunisia, February, 1943

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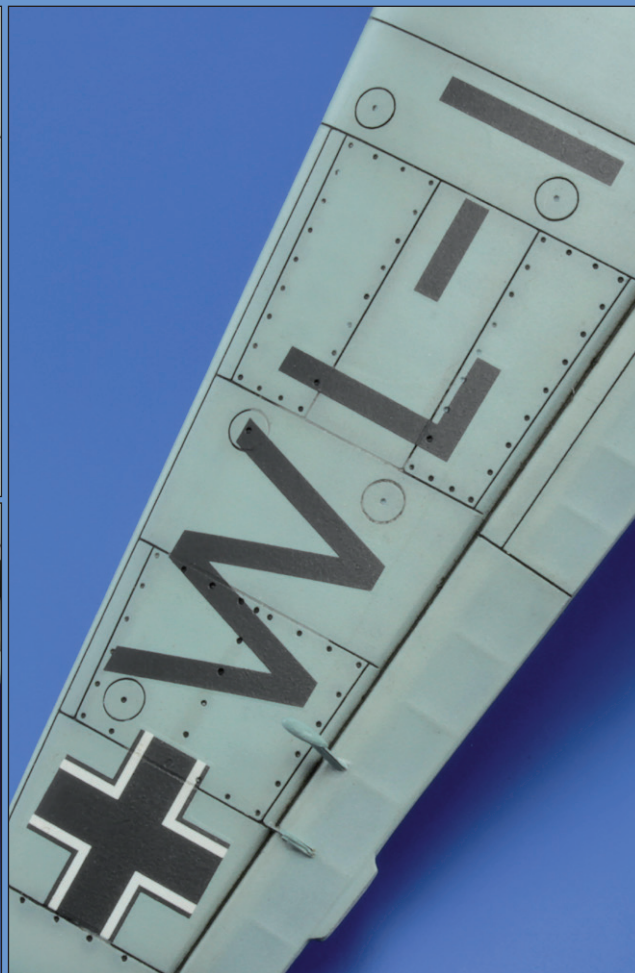
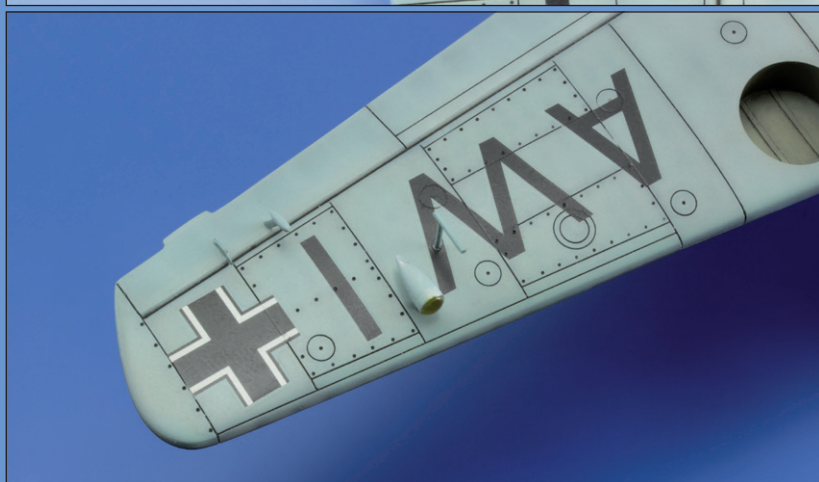




Bf 108 1/48

built by Petr Zatléřpálek





Germany, September, 1939

The German pre-war colors were used to camouflage this Taifun. Upper surfaces are painted RLM 61, RLM, 62 and RLM 63 colors, the undersides are RLM 65. The new camouflage was painted over the original factory colors thus the stenciling is not visible.

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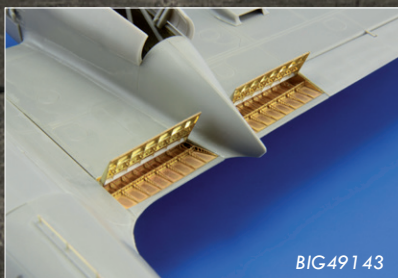
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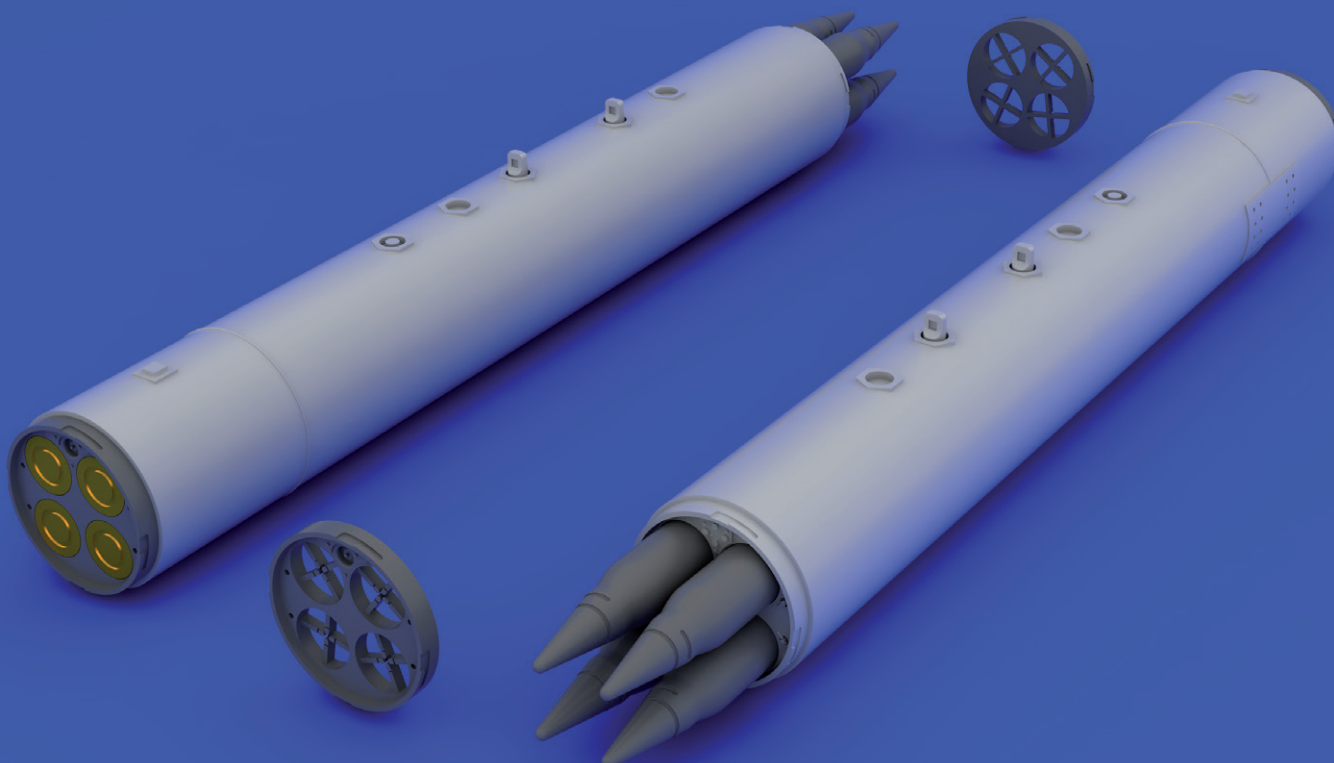
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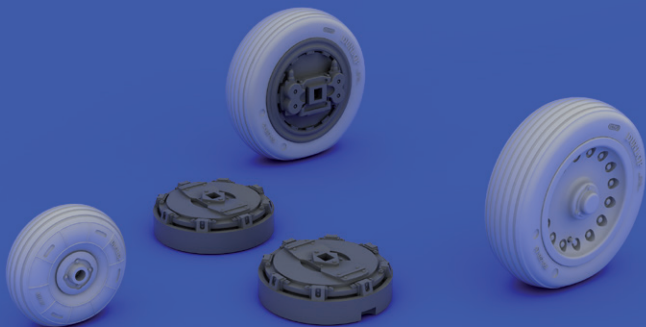
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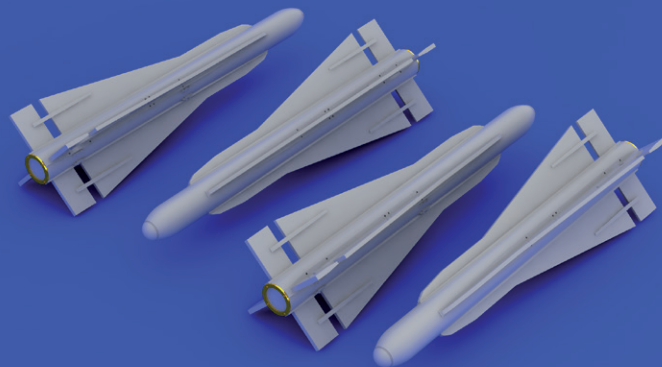
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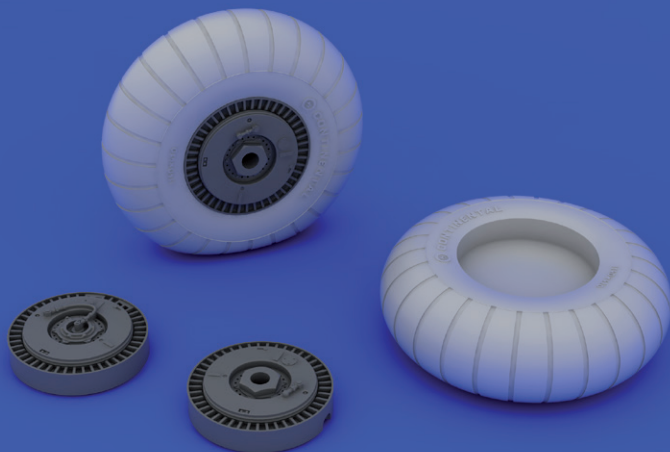
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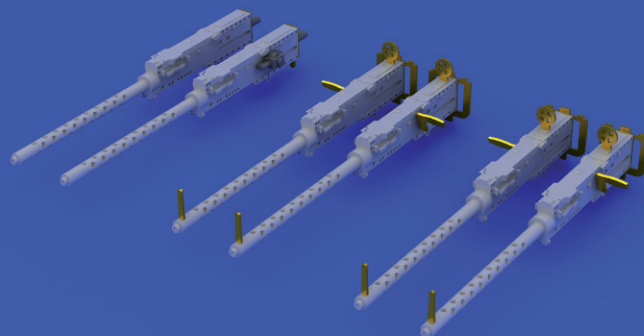
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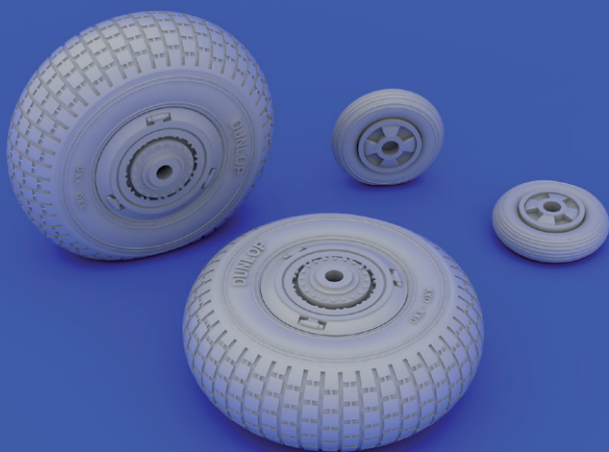
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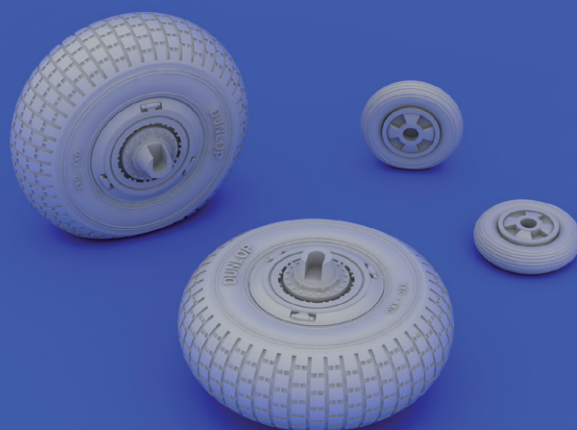
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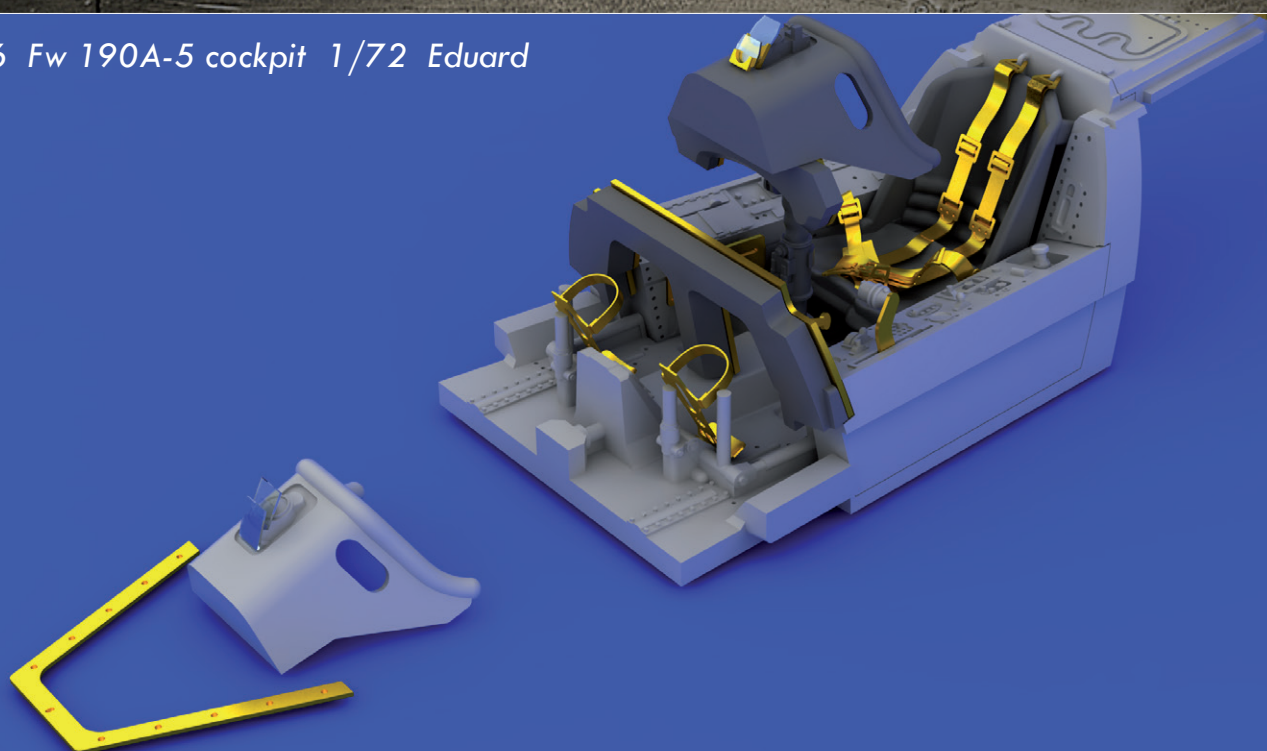
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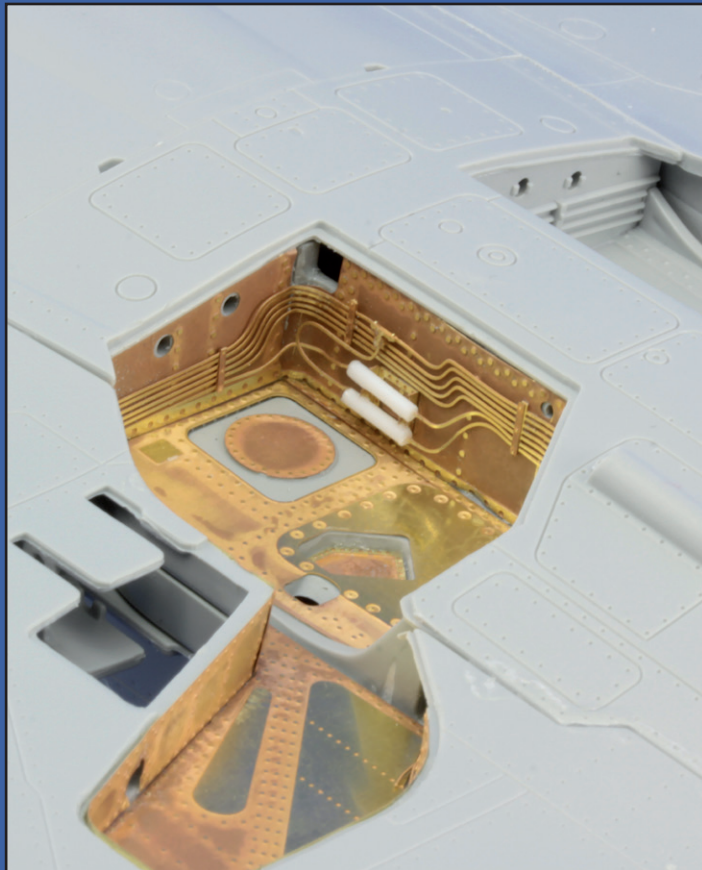
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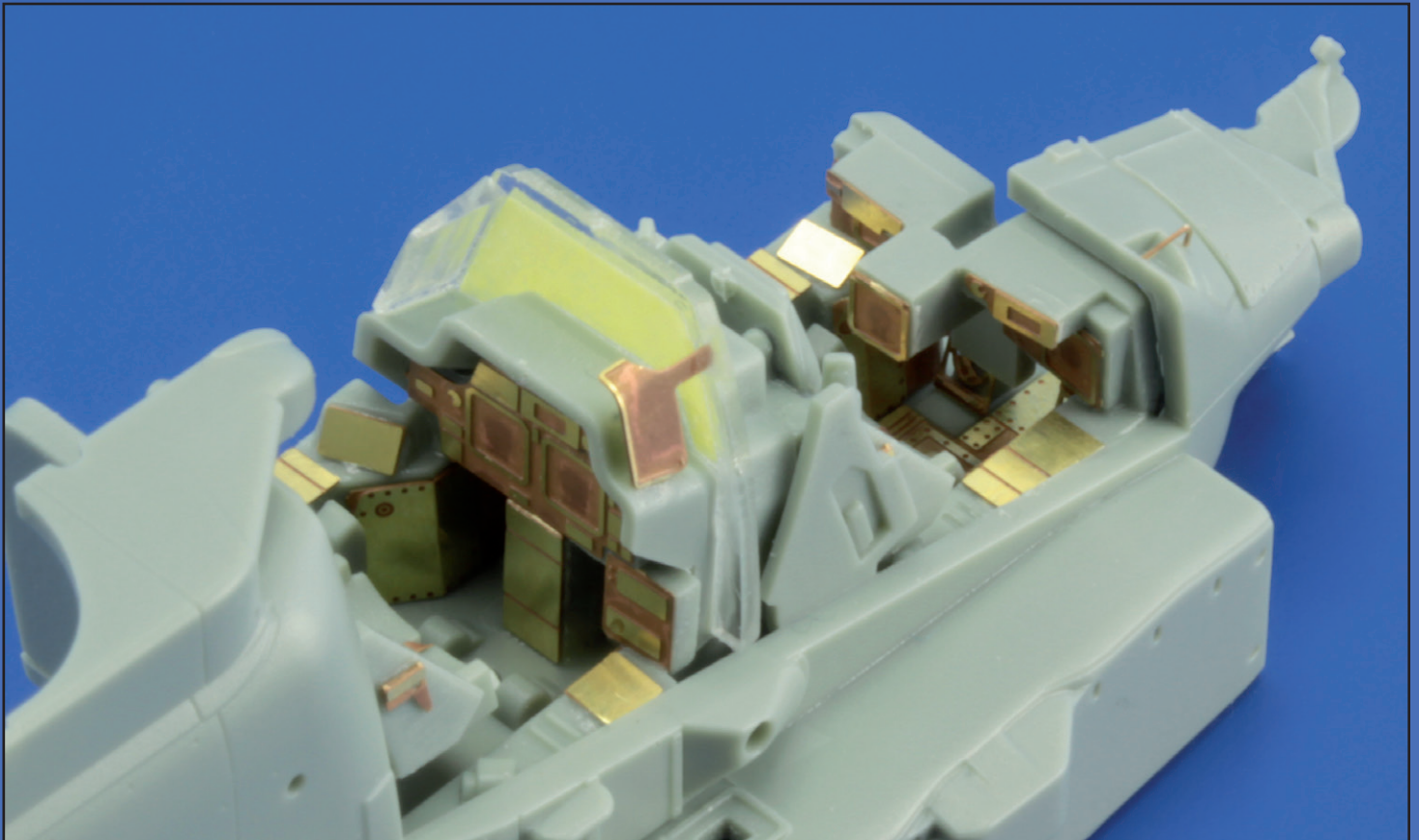
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