

Newsletter

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November newsletter brings you not only new releases info. Eventually, we are starting to distribute the kits that were delayed due to the production issues. You can expect 1/32 scale T-2 Buckeye, 1/72 scale PV-2D Harpoon and Steyr 1500 Krankenwagen to arrive. Unfortunately, we are not able to start the distribution of the already announced 1/72 scale AH-1G Cobra and DH Vampire. We want to trim both kits to satisfy the ever growing modellers' hunger for highest quality kits.

SH48145 Fairey Firefly FR Mk.I "The Initial British Missions Over Korea" 1/48

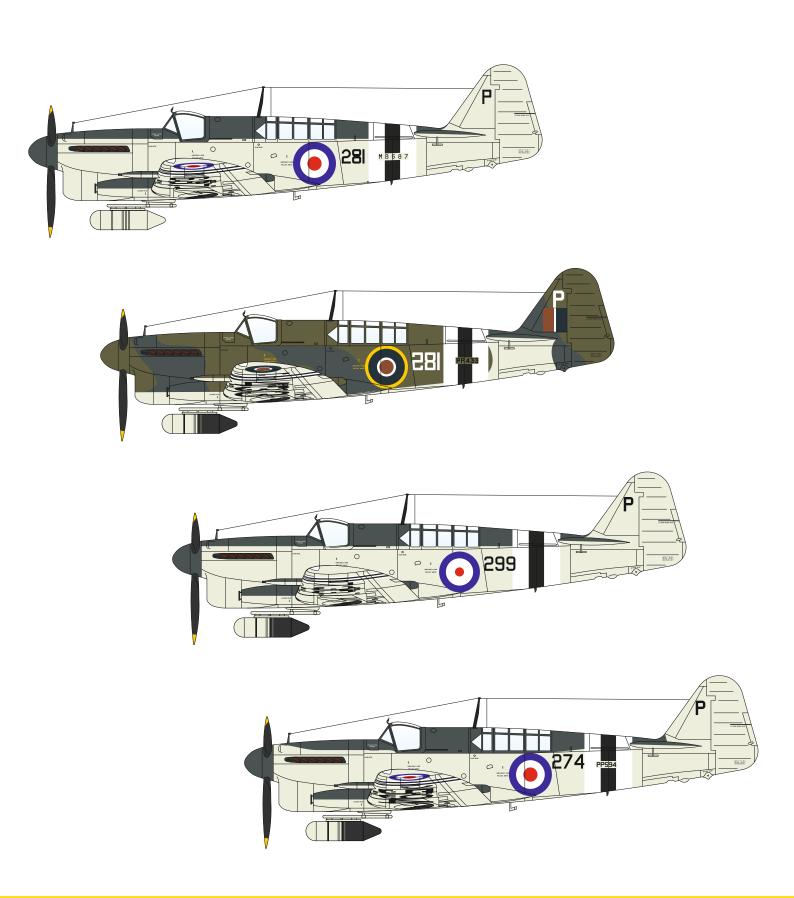
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Fairey Firefly Mk.I is a typical example of British naval fighter design. Even before the outbreak of the World War 2, Royal Nave asked for two seater long range aircraft designs. Nevertheless, the second crew member was a burden that deprived the performances of these machines. Firefly replaced its low performance Fairey Fulmar predecessor and even though its design handicap was able to oppose the enemy fighters. FAA begun to receive US naval



fighters at the time Firefly was approved for active service. Firefly became the complement of the fighters delivered from USA and British Seafire fighters onboard Royal Navy aircraft carriers. Firefly fighters were deployed in Atlantic Ocean and also against Japan in Indian and Pacific Oceans. These became the first British aircraft to reach Japanese mainland and even Tokyo during World War 2. Fireflies together with Seafire Mk.47s became the first aircraft to participate in the Korean War. In the very beginning of this conflict British Far East Fleet's HMS Triumph joined US Navy fleet and her Fireflies were immediately deployed in attacks against North Korean Communists' ground targets. Mainly thanks to their four cannons and versatility of the external weapons' storage they proved to be more than well suited for this role.

The kit of this version contains four sprues with grey plastic parts, injected clear sprue and resin parts. Decals included offer markings for four machines that operated from HMS Triumph. All of them sport friend or foe black and white ID stripes. Three machines feature typical post war British camouflage; the fourth one is of note due to its wartime camouflage and older type roundels.



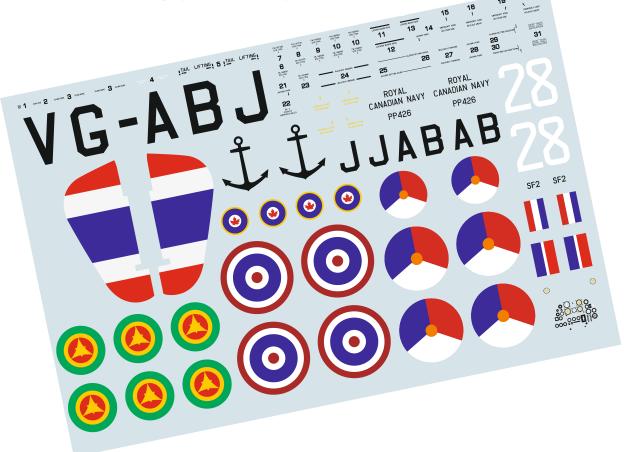
FAA was the sole user Fairey Fireflies during the World War 2. Soon after the fighting ceased it became a important

export commodity. Fireflies were used by Royal Canadian Navy, major user was Netherlands Naval Aviation Service. Dutch Fireflies operated both from omeland bases as so from overseas, mainly in Dutch East India. Fireflies also strengthened Imperial Etiopean Air Force. In 1950s Thai Navy acquired 12 Firefly Mk.Is.

All of the above mentioned users' marking can be found within the SH48151 decal sheet. The most colourful is the Etiopean machine; not only by its roundels but with its camouflage that comprised sand and earth colours on upper

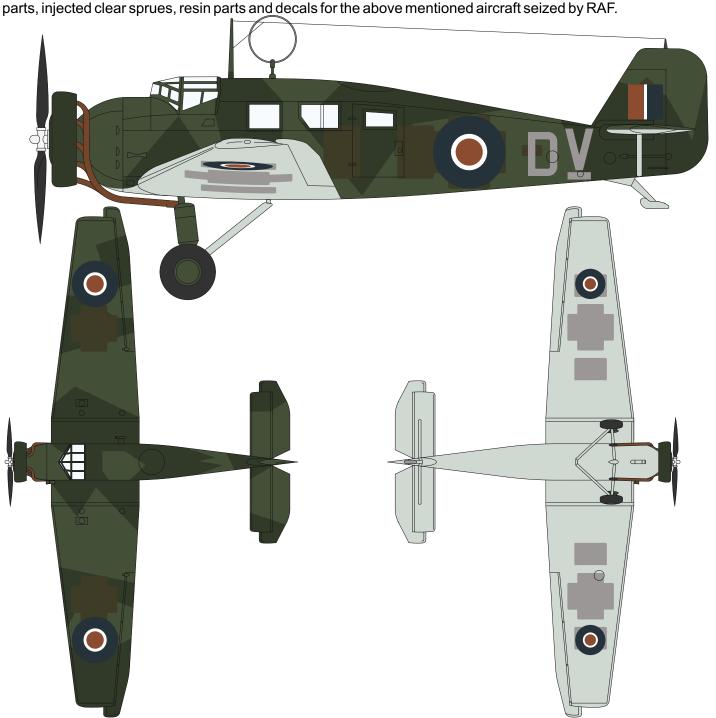


surfaces. The rest of the machines feature sober FAA camouflage pattern and the Thai one sports anchors. The kit of this version contains four sprues with grey plastic parts, injected clear sprue, decals and resign parts.



In interwar period, the Junkers aircraft with its corrugated sheet design were synonymous for reliable aerial transport. They proved their fame even during World War 2 when Luftwaffe wouldn't exist without its corrugated hacks. We're not speaking of Ju 52 only but also of the single engined W-33/34. Since 1930s up until the war's end these aircraft served in both civilian and military service as trainer and transport aircraft. One Junkers W-34 was seized by RAF No. 93 Squadron at the end of the war. This squadron, based at Klagenfurth airport, eventually assigned "DV" code letters to this plane and from May to September 1945 period used it as an auxiliary transport plane.

We are presenting the kit with this interesting marking in limited series. The kit contains three sprues with grey plastic parts, injected clear sprues, resin parts and decals for the above mentioned aircraft seized by RAF.



There's an important note to the end of this newsletter. MPM Production continues to prepare its kits completely in 3D design and inject them into metal moulds. Some of the kits are already on sale *A4/V2* rockets, *SS-100 Gigant* tractor and *Meillerwagen* rocket trailer. We present the test shots of the final kits of *AH-1G Cobra*, *AH-1Q/S Cobra* and day fighter versions of *DH 100 Vampire*. Both Vampire and Cobras in quality exceed every kit of the latter that was in 1/72 scale ever produced. Now it's time to reveal our next project. We had already started to prepare moulds for trainer aircraft *Fouga Magister* and its versions. We will, subsequently release *CM 170 Magister* in both trainer and combat version (including *IDF Tzukit*), aerobatics version with faired over rear canopy and even *CM 175 Zéphyr* naval version. The differences from the standard Magisters comprise lengthened fuselage, different canopy, arrestor hook and strengthened undercarriage.

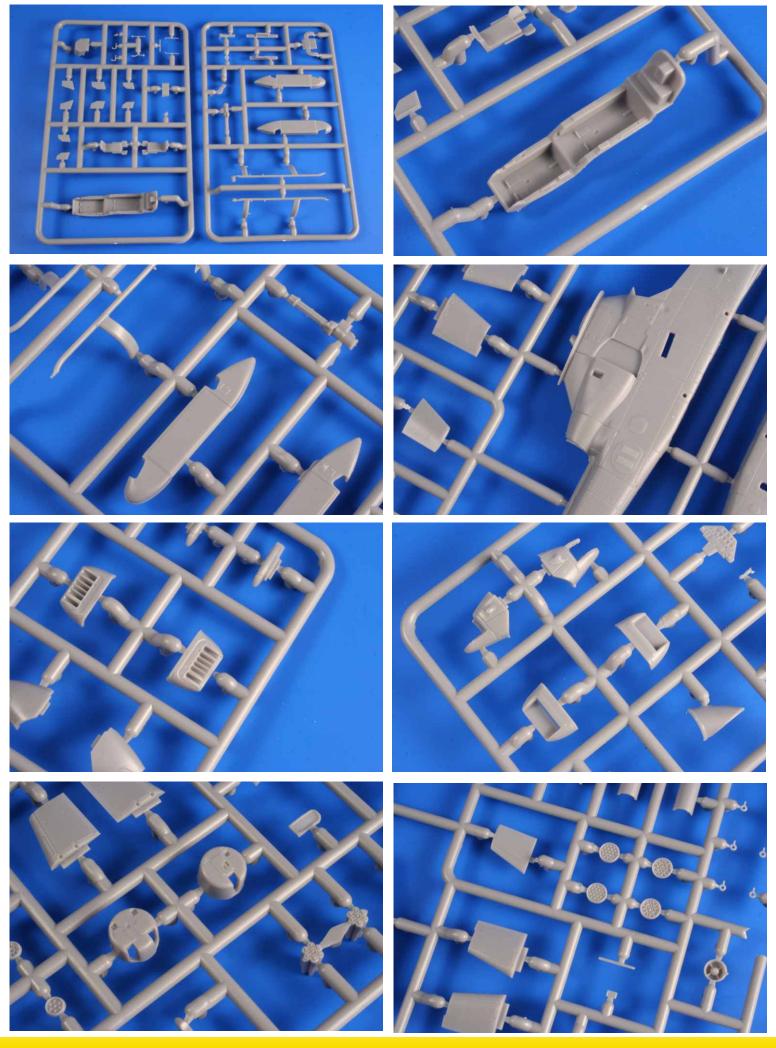




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AH-1G Cobra & AH-1 Q/S Cobra testshots



D.H.100 Vampire Mk.3/5 testshots

SH72276 Grunau Baby IIb "Over Western Europe" 1/72



Grunau Baby IIb

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"Czechoslovak, Polish and Hungarian Service"

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SH72273 Grunau Baby IIb "WWII Service" 1/72









SH32049 Hawker Tempest Mk.V 1/32





