

Well, the Nuremberg Toy Fair is over now. It was very nice to see our customers that we are in contact with throughout the year only by means of e-mails or phone calls. It was equally enjoyable that the Modell Fan magazine acknowledged our effort with two Model of the Year Prizes. The first one was in limited series category for our family of Fairey Firefly 1/48 models, the other one was in the steel-mouldings military vehicles models category for the set of V2 rocket models with their accompanying transportation vehicles (V2 rocket, V2 Prototypes Variant, SS-100 Gigant tractor, Meillerwagen and Vidalwagen trailers). It is certainly an encouragement for our further work. In particular, when the greatest interest in our stand aroused the forthcoming models of DH. Vampire, AH-1G/Q/S Cobra, Mirage F.1 or Fouga Magister / Zéphyr which will come to market later this year. But let's get back to the news of the month, respectively to re-releases and single but awesome novelty.



For February, we have prepared re-editions of our long-time sold out models SH72047 IA-58 Pucará, SH72197 Westland Whirlwind F Mk.I "Cannon Fighter" and SH72201 Westland Whirlwind FB Mk.I "Fighter-Bomber". Another model coming back to our offer after a short time unavailability is the SA72001 SS-100 Gigant. In the end of the month the first DH. Vampire models will hit the model shop shelves. Let's take a closer look on the models now:

In the mid 1960's, light attack and counter-insurgency aircraft was developed by the FMA company in Argentina. Twin engined aircraft with two-seat tandem cockpit arrangement was put into production in 1973 after a relatively long development. Machines of the Argentine Air Force (FAA) saw combat during the Falklands War in 1982 and achieved some victories over British helicopters, but also suffered heavy losses. Pucarás are still flying in the FAA and were also exported to Uruguay, Sri Lanka and Colombia. The model consists of three grey plastic sprues, injected canopy, PUR parts, photo-etches and decal sheet for four Argentinian machines.

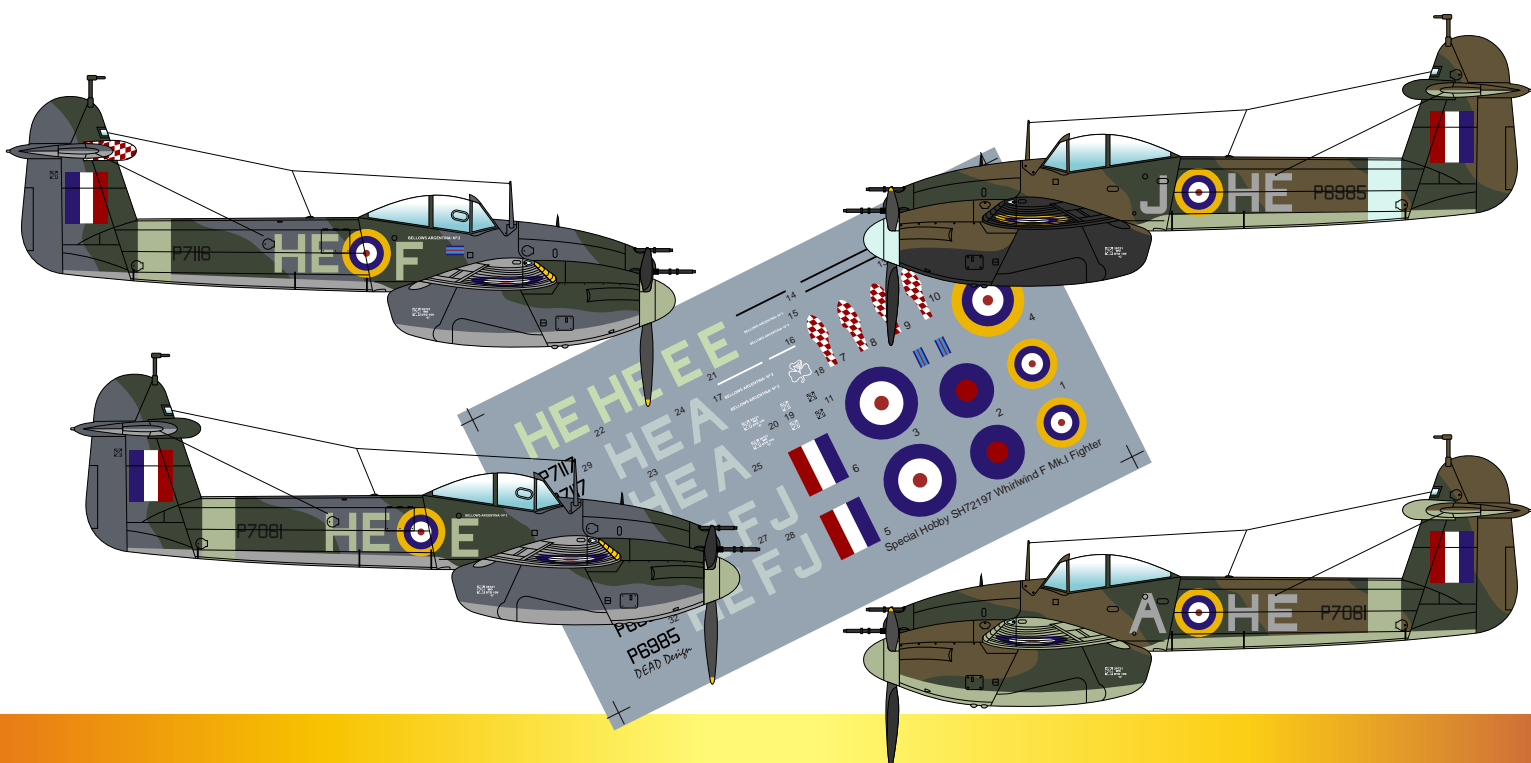


Even before the outbreak of the WW 2 British Air Ministry demanded single and twin engined fighters with heavy cannon armament. According to the issued specification was designed , for example Hawker Typhoon or just

Whirlwind. Westland Company had designed Whirlwind as highly elegant machine that was powered by R&R Peregrine and its armament consisted of four 20 mm in nose. Even though the first prototype took off in 1937 the series Whirlwinds were produced from 1940.

The new fighters were fast and maneuverable; unfortunately the Peregrine engines' production was stopped soon. Merlin engines for Spitfires and Hurricanes had higher priority. So,

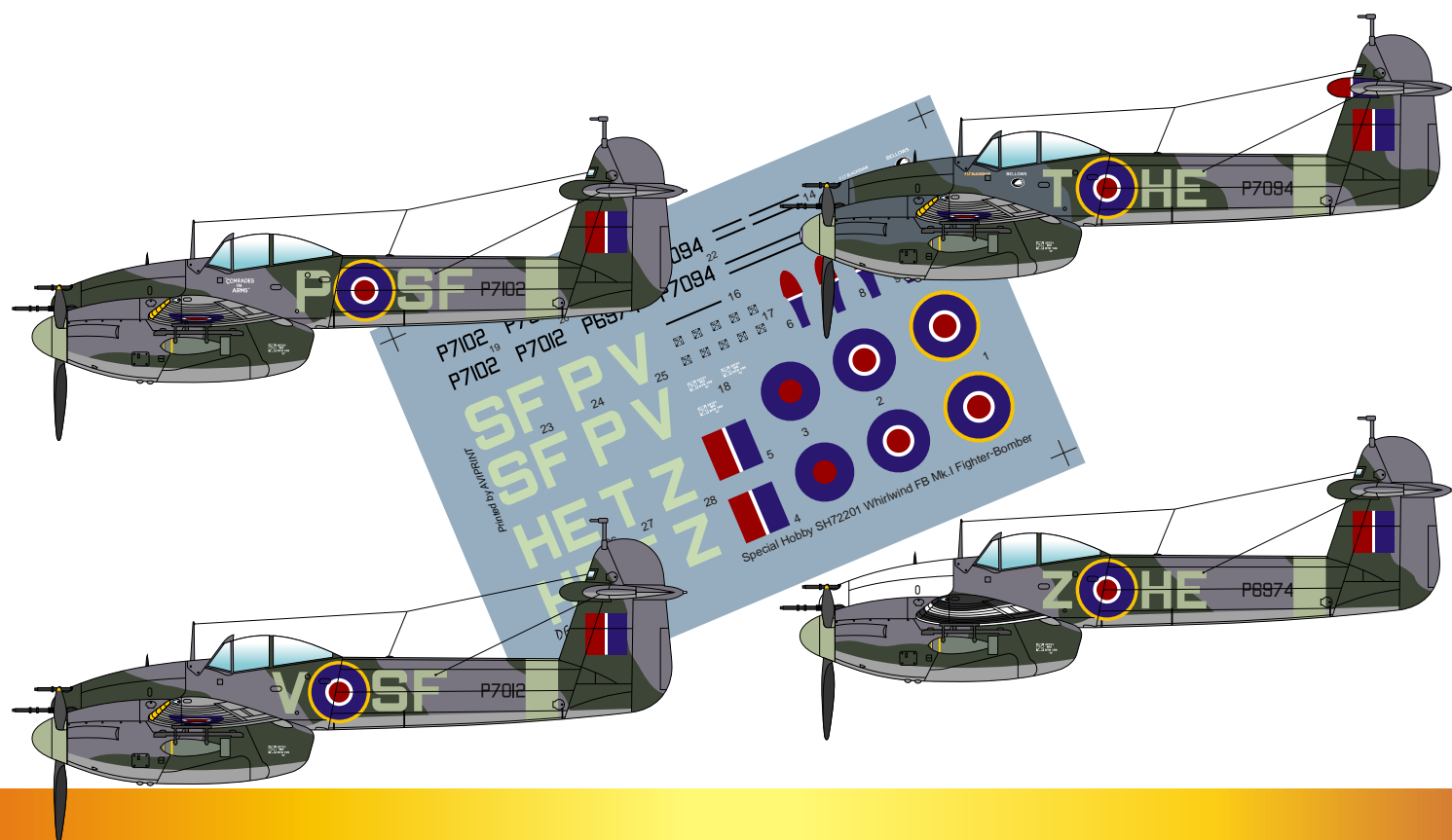
only 114 Whirlwinds were produced and they served until 1943 with two squadrons. The kit was prepared with invaluable help of renowned Mark I/4+ publishing with high emphasis on the accuracy of both kit and camouflages. The kit contains two sprues with grey plastic parts with injected canopy and wingtip lights, detailed resin and photo-etched parts. Decals included offer four machines in two camouflage variations.



As the name itself reveals this kit presents fighter-bomber version of Whirlwind. Whirlwinds were shifted to ground attack mission during 1941. Their attack capabilities were enhanced by addition of two wing mounted bomb racks. The modified machines were designated FB Mk.I and received unofficial nickname "Whirlybomber". Until their service withdrawal in 1943 the Whirlwinds attacked targets in La Manche Channel and in occupied France. During these missions were Whirlwinds escorted by Spitfires from Czechoslovakian RAF squadrons.



One of the joint operation commemorates the boxart drawing. The plastic parts are the same as for SH72197 kit, resin and photo-etched parts contains additional parts for anti-concrete bombs and their racks. Decals included offer four interesting machines.



Fast road tractor that was developed in the 30's for civil purposes. In comparison with the other trucks of the time, it offered then unheard speed of 40-50 kph and was capable of towing much heavier loads. No wonder that such an efficient vehicle was ordered also by the forces. The SS-100 tractors were used by the Wehrmacht and also by the Luftwaffe in large quantity. The most known usage, ie with the Meilerwagen or Vidalwagen trailers with the A4/V2 missiles is



only the proverbial icing on the cake. The Luftwaffe used the SS-100 for on-ground moving especially of its bomber planes, for transporting bombs, mines and other weaponry to the planes, and the sappers also used them. The Wehrmacht found the SS-100 useful for carrying heavy and bulky loads to great distances. When the war ended, also other Armies, for instance the French, put the captured tractors into service. The SS-100s were kept in production also after the war, for civil usage.

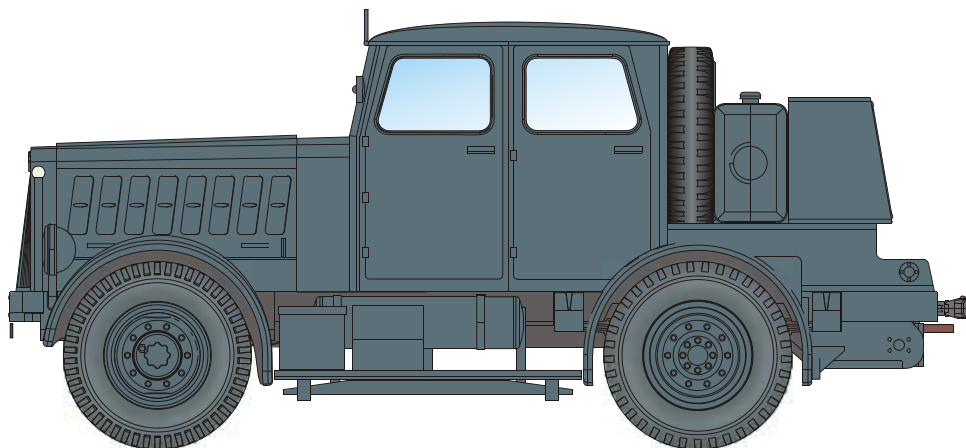
The kit contains two sprues of sand coloured plastic parts supplemented with injected clear plastic cab windows. The decal sheet offers markings for three German vehicles. There are also new full-colour instructions in this re-issue and this is standard for our instructions now.



SS-100 Gigant, WL 94831, 5.rota / II.Abteilung / Luftnachrichten Regiment 21 Luftwaffe, oblast Achtyrka, Východní fronta, 1942. S vozidlem jezdil Gefreiter R. Gaura.

SS-100 Gigant, WL 94831, 5.Kompanie / II. Abteilung / Luftnachrichten Regiment 21 Luftwaffe, Akhtyrka district, Eastern Front, 1942. Gefreiter R.Gaura used to drive this vehicle.

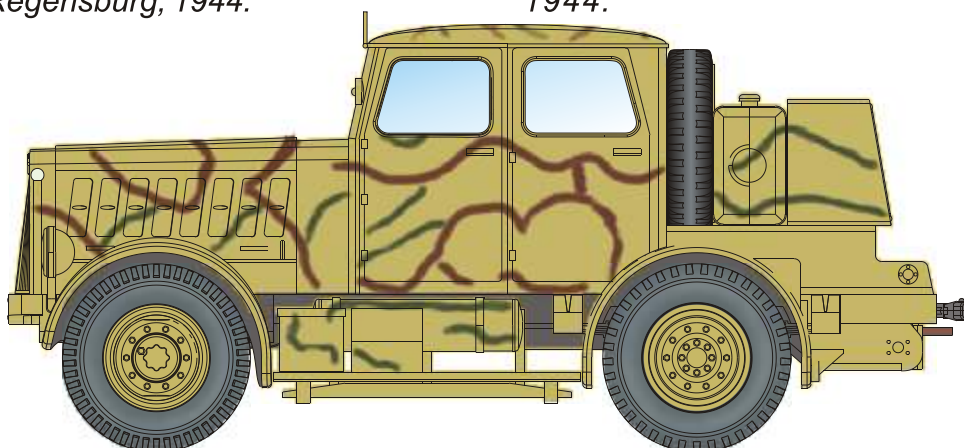
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SS-100 Gigant, WL 4744, přejímací jednotka Luftwaffe, umístěná na továrním letišti firmy Messerschmitt, Regensburg, 1944.

SS-100 Gigant, WL 4744, Luftwaffe acceptance unit, Messerschmitt factory airfield, Regensburg, 1944.

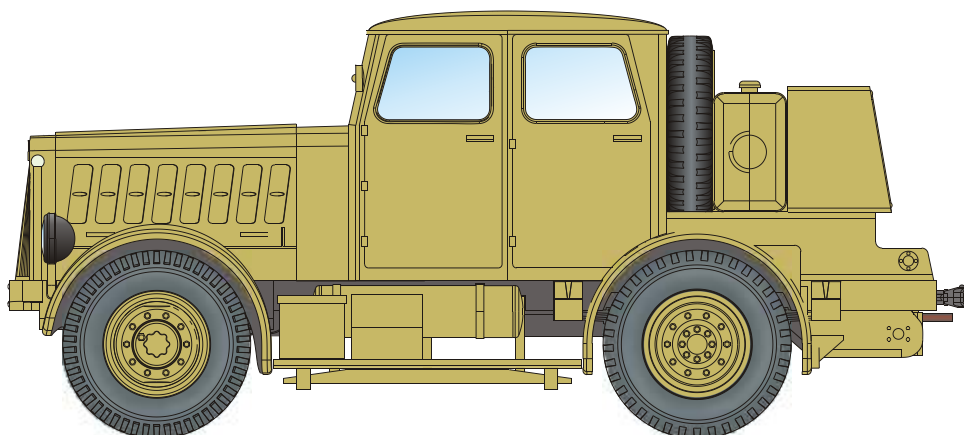
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SS-100 Gigant, Wehr 545585, používaný ve středisku Peenemünde k tahání střel V2, 1944-45.

SS-100 Gigant, Wehr 545585, used at the Army Research Center, Peenemünde, for towing the V2 ballistic missiles, 1944-45.

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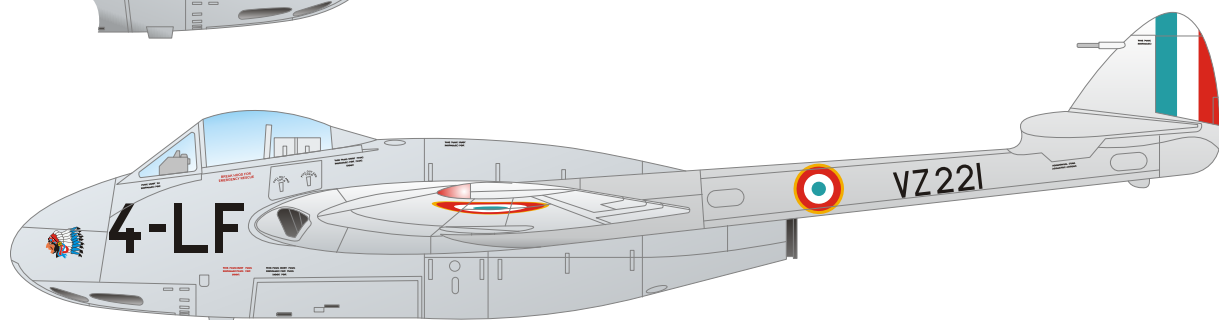
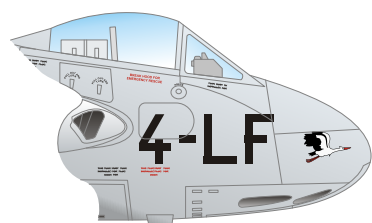
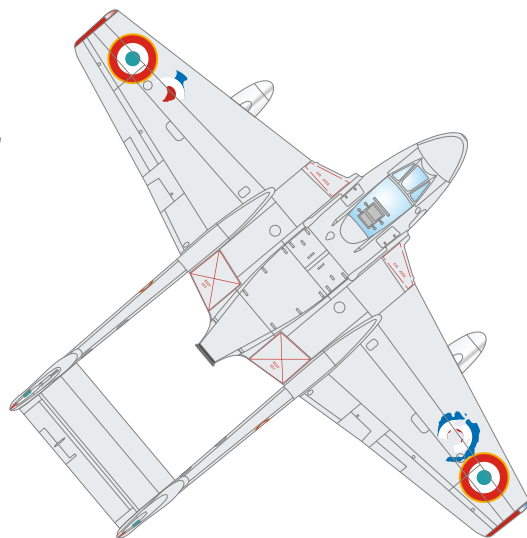
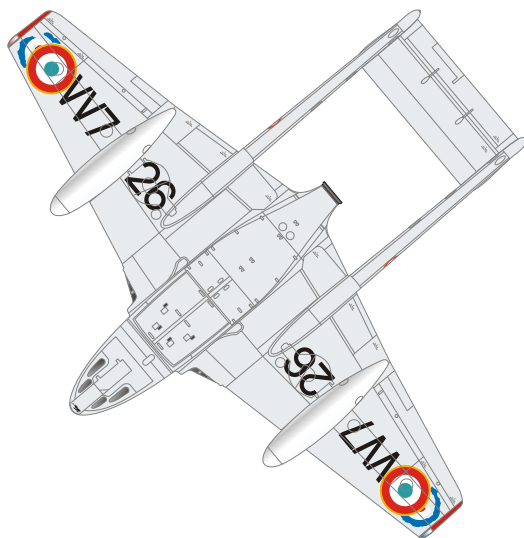
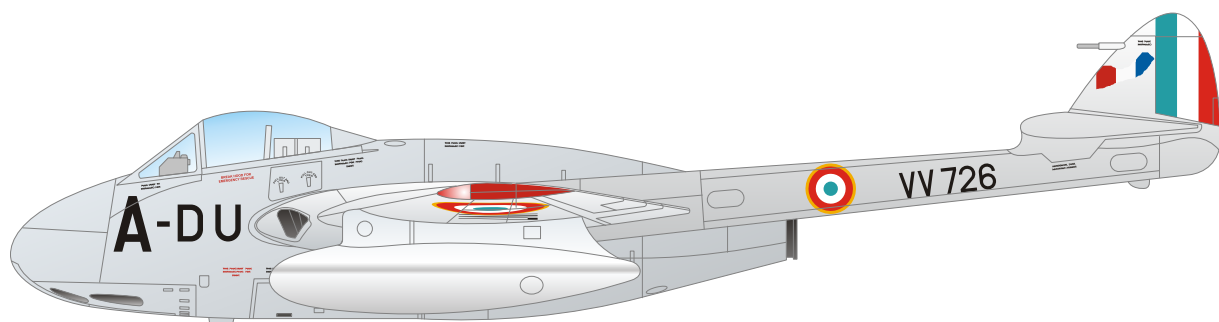
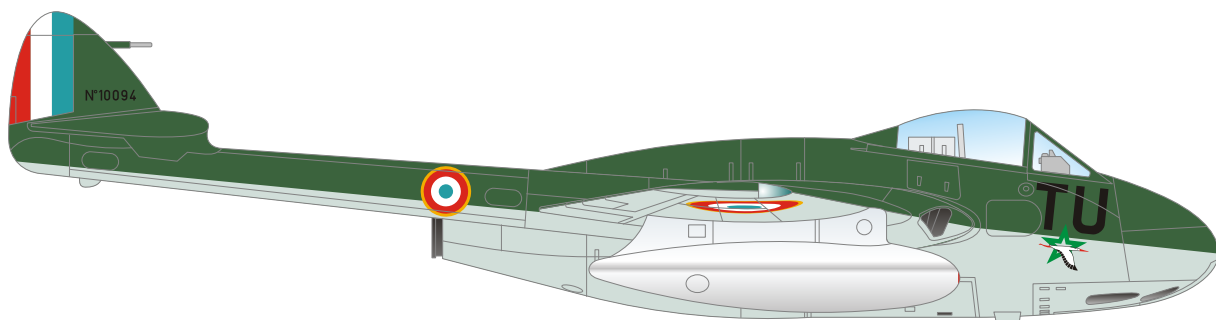
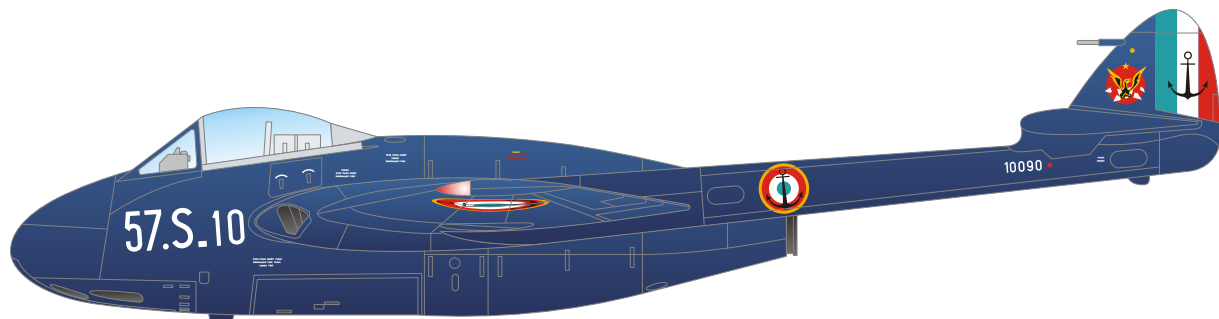


We also produce highly detailed resin wheels for the SA72001 SS-100 Gigant model, these are under the CMK label in Blitz Line series, item number is B72094.



A photograph of two French Mirage 3 fighter jets in flight against a blue sky with scattered white clouds. The jet in the foreground is dark blue with white and red markings, including the number '57.S.10' on the nose and a red circle with a white '1' on the wing. The jet in the background is also dark blue with similar markings, including the number '57.S.8' on the nose. Both jets have a distinctive delta-wing configuration and a canards configuration.

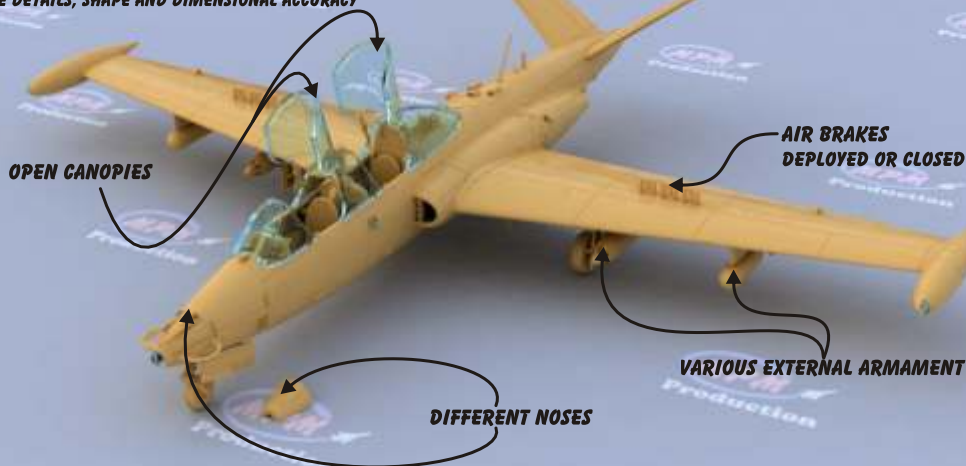
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MPM Production continues to prepare its kits completely in 3D design and inject them into metal moulds. Some of the kits are already on sale **A4/V2** rockets, **SS-100 Gigant** tractor and **Meillerrwagen** rocket trailer. We present the test shots 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 these subjects 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.

Fouga CM 170 Magister 1/72

- HIGHLY DETAILED CM170 / 175 MAGISTER / ZÉPHYR MODELS IN SEVERAL VERSIONS TO BE LAUNCHED IN THE NEAR FUTURE
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- FINE DETAILS, SHAPE AND DIMENSIONAL ACCURACY

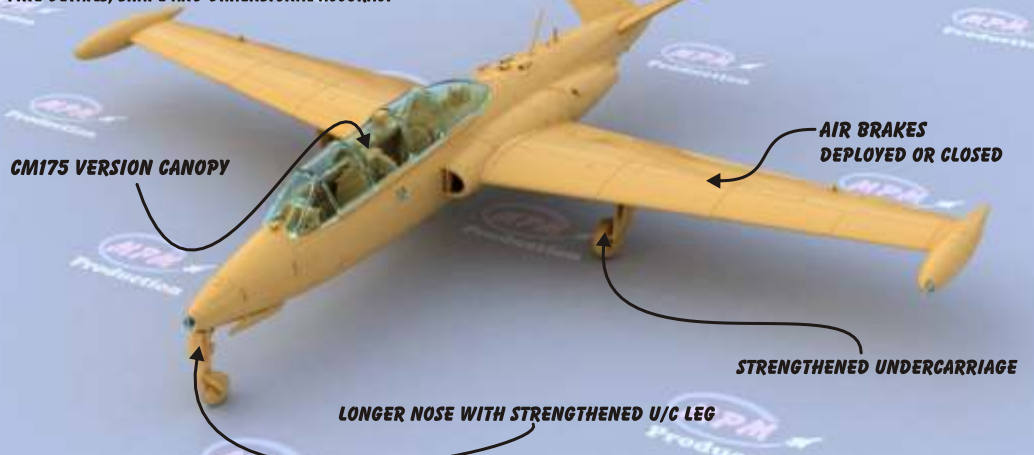


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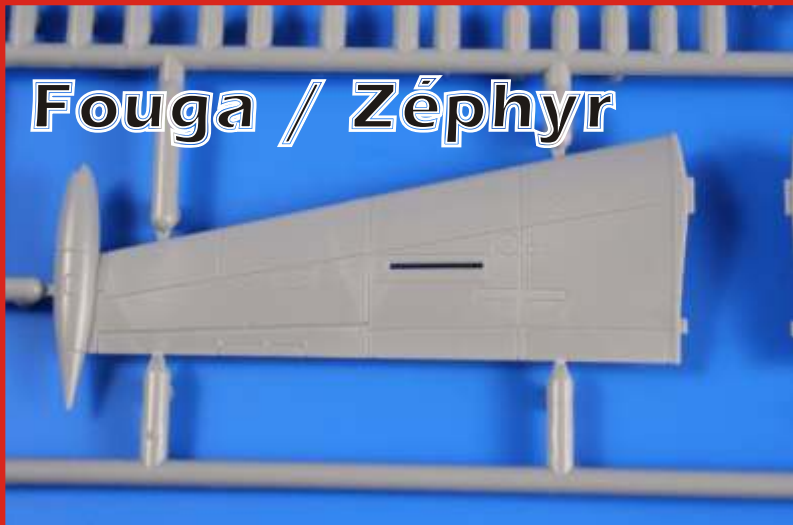
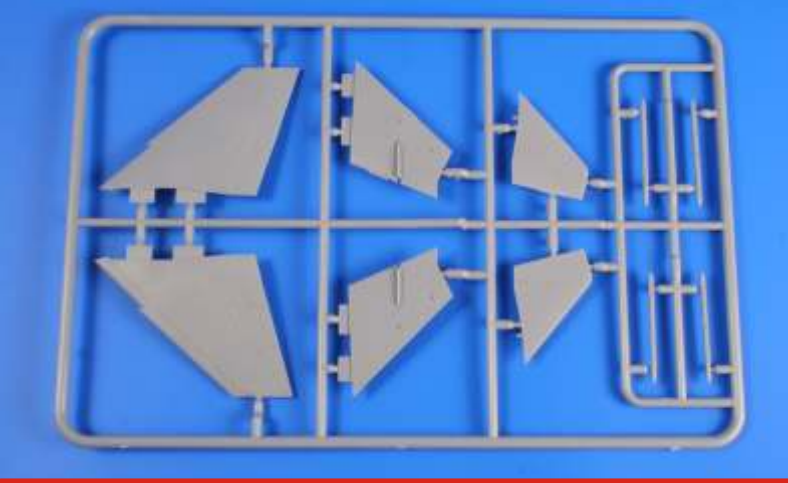
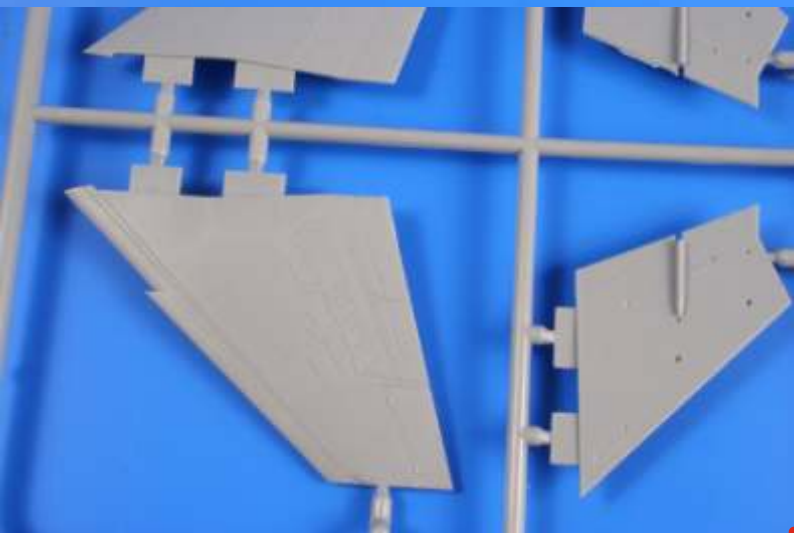
Fouga CM 175 Zéphyr 1/72

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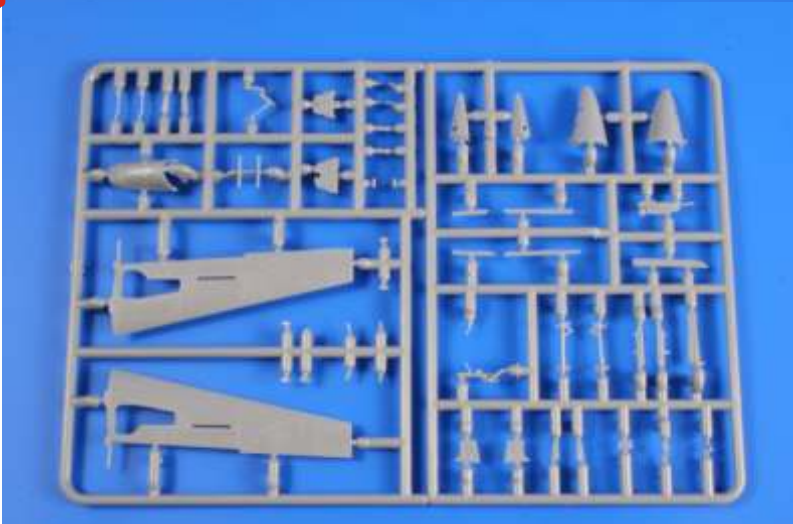
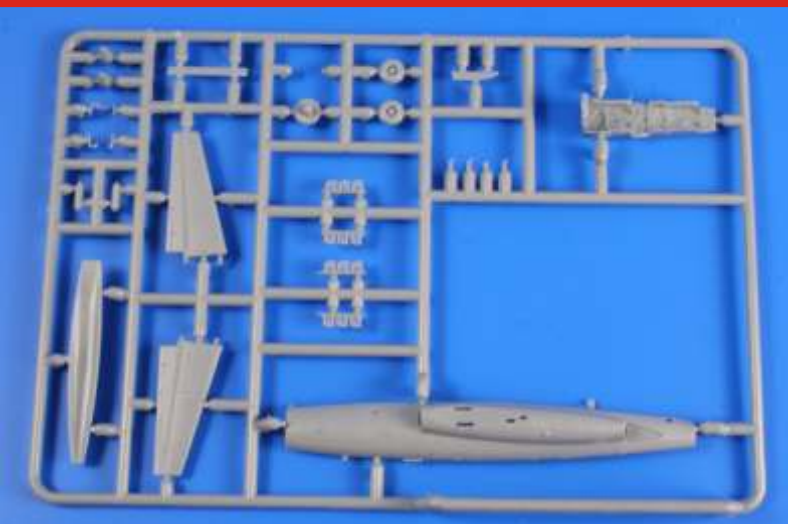


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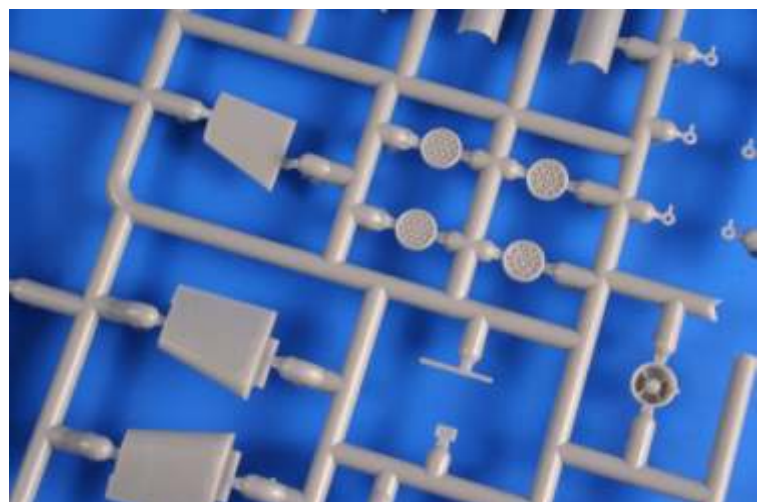
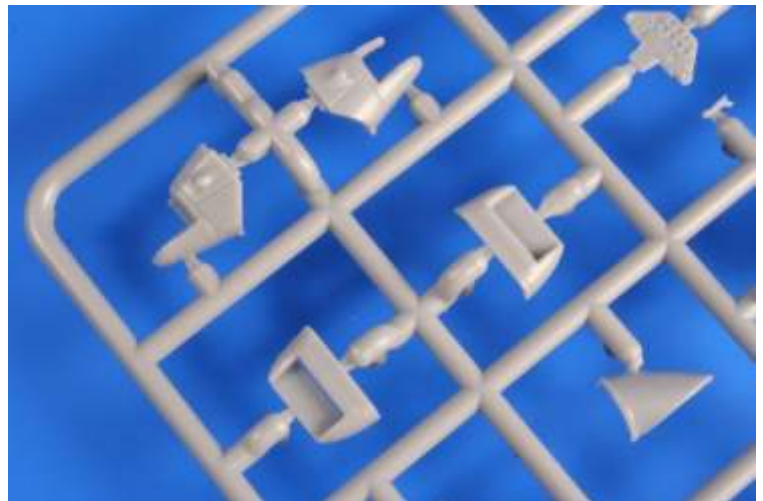
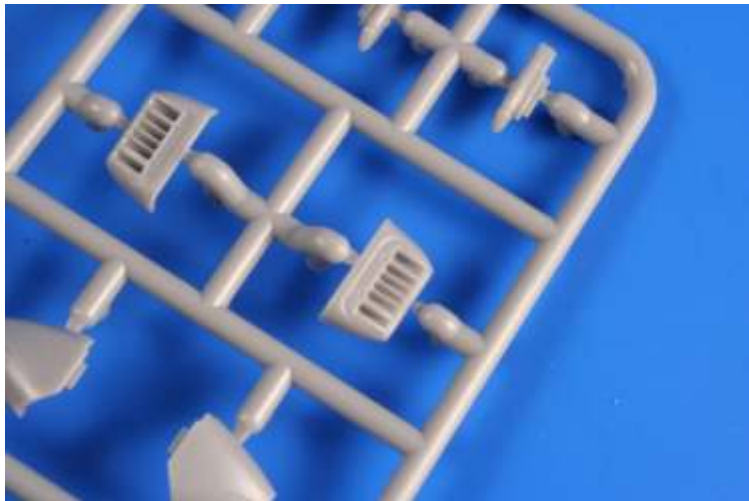
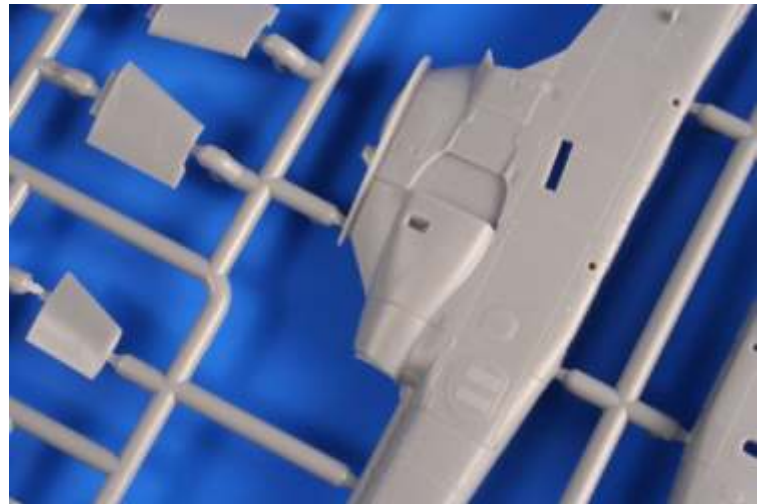
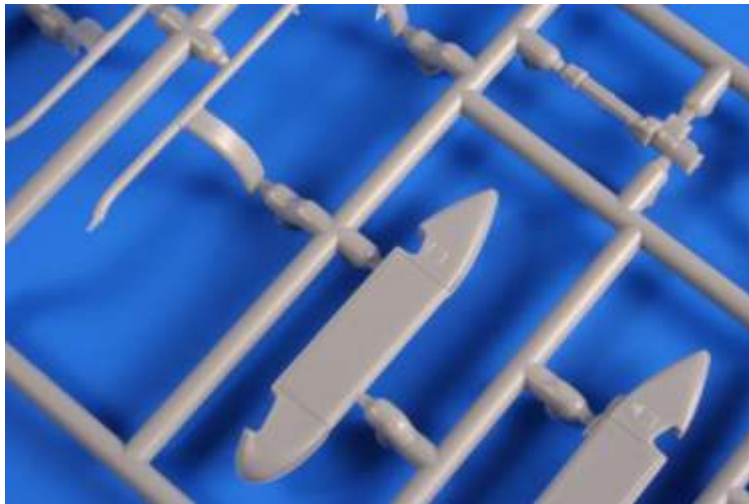
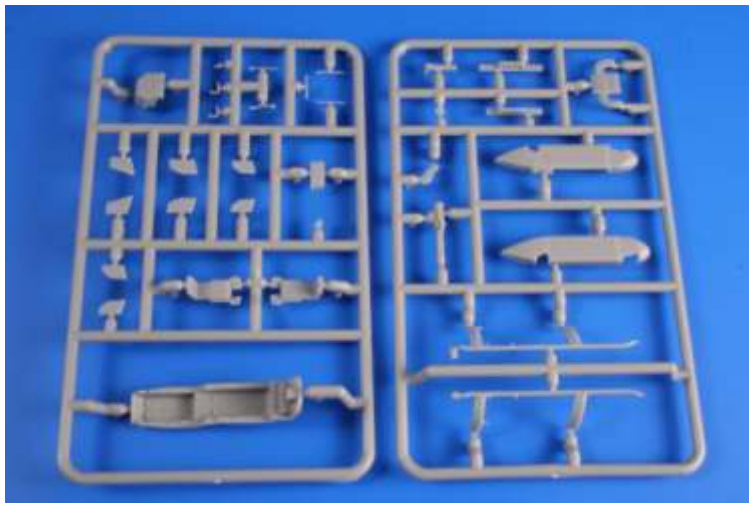
Mirage F.1



Fouga / Zéphyr



Mirage F.1 and Fouga / Zéphyr testshots



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

Forthcoming new releases:

SH48135

AF-2S Guardian "Submarine Killer" 1/48



SH72274

AH-1G "Spanish & IDF Service" 1/72



SH48158

AF-2W Guardian "Submarine Hunter" 1/48



SH72281

DH 100 Vampire FB Mk.5

"In Northern Skies" 1/72



AH-1G Cobra *late*

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A yellow AH-1G Cobra helicopter in flight over a blue sea. The helicopter features white stars and stripes on the fuselage and tail, with the number '15' on the side and 'MPM' on the tail. The background is a light blue sky with several 'MPM Production' logos.

SH72278

AH-1G Cobra
"Over The USA and Europe"

AH-1G Cobra *early* 1/72



SH72076



AH-1G Cobra
"over Vietnam with M-35 Gun System"

AH-1Q/S Cobra 1/72



SH72280

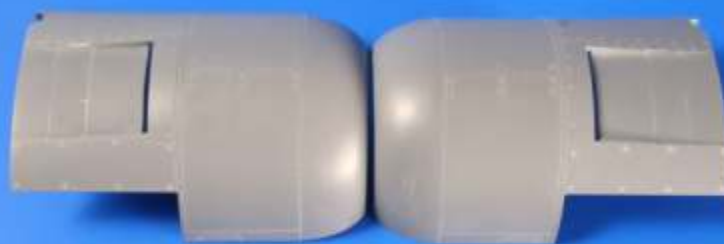


AH-1G Cobra "Marines"

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Tempest MK.V/VI



Tempest MK.II