

Type 12 Frigate H.M.S. TORQUAY 1956-1985

1/350 Scale

The Type 12 Frigates were introduced in to the Royal Navy during the 1950's and were the first ships designed specifically for the antisubmarine role. With the new "V" form hull design, they were intended to counter the new fast diesel electric submarines and be able to keep up high speeds even in rough weather.

Six ships were initially ordered for the Royal Navy, one of which, HMS Blackpool, was loaned to the Royal New Zealand Navy, and a further two built for the Indian Navy. INS Talwar and INS Trishul. The first ship to be completed was HMS Torquay. HMS Torquay was laid down at Harland and Wolf's Shipyard in Belfast on 11th March 1953, launched 1st July 1954 and completed 10th May 1956.

On commissioning she became the leader of the 5th Frigate Squadron based at Portsmouth, soon becoming active as in October of that year, Torquay found herself deployed to the Mediterranean and took part in the Suez operation in November 1956. From then she found herself patrolling around Cyprus and remained in the Mediterranean until the middle of 1957, returning to Portsmouth in May

In July 1958 HMS Torquay was part of the task group formed around HMS Eagle, for Operation Fortitude, when King Hussein of Jordan requested an airlift of British troops following unrest after the formation of the United Arab Republic by Egypt and Syria. From 1963 Torquay was allocated to the Dartmouth Training Squadron and served in various training roles until 1971 when Torquay was brought in for a major refit and upgrade of systems.

She received a plated in fore mast of the Type fitted to the Modernised Type 12Ms and a larger aft superstructure and training spaces built over the where the forward set of Mortars had been. Torquay rejoined the Training Squadron in 1972 again as a Navigation Training Ship. She joined the 2nd Frigate Squadron based in Portsmouth and in 1977 attended the Queens Silver Jubilee Fleet Review at Spithead. She continued to serve as a Training ship until 1985 when she was replaced by HMS Juno. She paid off on 28th March 1985 and sold for scrap in 1987.

Specifications

Length: 370 ft oa. Beam: 41 ft Displacement: 2,150 tons standard 2,560 tons full load. Speed: 30 knots max

Armanent: 1 x Twin 4.5 inch Mk6 mounting. 1 x Twin Bofors STAAG Mk2 (Later 1x Single Bofors Mk7) 2 x Limbo A/S Mortar Mk10 12 x 18" A/S Torpedo Tubes (8 x Single 2 x Twin Mountings) Later Removed

RESIN & WHITE METAL PARTS 3 4 5 8 7 1 9 10 20 15 16 18 13 21 14 25 26 28 Bridge/ GDP Unit STAAG Base Platform Large Hawser Reel Propeller A Frame Bearings

- 2. Funnel Unit
- Mid Deckhouse/ Vent Intake
- 4. Aft Deckhouse (Early)
- 5. Main Director Platform
- Mk6 FC Director (Late)
- Twin 4.5" Mk6 Gun Turret 40mm Bofors STAAG Mounting
- 10. Aft AA Director Tub
- Mortar Mk10 Base x 2 11.
- Mortar Mk10 Barrels x 2 12.
- Twin Torpedo Tube Mounting x 2
- Single Torpedo Tube Mounting x 8
- 277 Radar Antenna Base
- 16. Large Whip Aerial Base 17. Inflatable Life Raft Packs x 4
- 19 14' Bosun Dinghy
- Gemini Inflatable Boat 20.

- 27' Motor Whaler 25' Adm Motor Cutter 23.
- 293 Radar Antenna Twin 40mm Bofors Mk5
- 25 4.5" Mk6 Gun Barrels
- Singnal Lamps
- 28. Rudders
- 29 Anchors
- 978 Nav Radar Antenna
- IFF 1010 Cossor Antenna
- 40mm Bofors Barrels x 2 33. 40mm Bofors Mk7 Base x 2
- Twin 40mm Bofors x 2

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Photo Etched Metal Parts List

Signal Flag Lockers

Main Director Access Landings Main Director Platform Deck 277 Radar Antenna Yoke Ouarterdeck Cable Reels

Railings (Large Aft Deckhouse)

Railings (Mortar Well Port)

Railings (Main Deck)

Railings (Fore Deck) Railings (Foc's'le) Railings (Mortar Wel Stbd)

Foc's'le Cable Reels

Railings (Mid Deckhouse Vent) Railings (Small Aft Deckhouse) Railings (Superstructure Sides)

Railings (Quarterdeck)

Yardarms (Fore Mast Sides)

Railings (Fore Mast Platform) Railings (Aux Con Position) Railings (STAAG Platform) Railings (277 Mast Base) Railings Hull Step Fwd)

Railings (Mortar Well Platforms) Railings (Aux Con Position 2) Railings (Fo'c'sle Incline)

Radar Mast Platform 277 Radar Mast Platforn 277 Radar Lattice Mast 277 Radar Antenna

Fore Mast Aft Yard Stays Fore Mast Front Platform 978 Nav Radar Platform Fore Mast Top Platform Fore Mast Sensors Lattice Fore Mast Shield Antennas

Yardarm Stays (Fore Mast Sides) Fore Mast Top Antenna Array Antenna Array Side Sections Main Mast Lattice (Early)

Yardarm Stays (Main Mast Sides) Yardarm (Main Mast Rear Early) Radar Antenna (Alternative) Yardarms (Main Mast Sides) 293 Radar Mounting Post 293 Radar Antenna (Alter Coading Davits Boat Davits

Twin 40mm Bofors Shield **Bofors Gunner Seats**

LW 02 Radar Antenna Horizontal Spars LW 02 Radar Antenna Antenna Face

Mounting Spindle

Main Mast Top Platform (Early) Twin Bofors Gun Sights

Yardarm Stays (Main Mast Late) Main Mast Top Platform (Late) Main Mast Aft Yard Supports

Aux Conning Position Supports Aux Conning Position Platform 40mm Bofors Platform (INS Ships) Main Mast Lattice (Late) Signal Lamps (Large)

Amidships DF Antenna Mast Sea Cat Missile Assembly Forpedo Loading Davits Decoy Crane Type 2. Decoy Crane Type 1

LW 02 Radar Antenna Rear Frames LW 02 Radar Antenna Vertical Plates LW 02 Radar Antenna Mounting Main Mast IFF Antenna (Alt)

Dan Bouy Assembly

Aux Conning Position Platform (Early) Aux Conning Position Front Support Bofors Platform Supports (INS Ships) Ships Ceremonial Name Plates Sea Cat Loading Rails Bridge Roof DF Antenna Amidships DF Antenna Bridge Signal Lamps Anchor Chain Propellers

Flammable Fuel Can Stowages Inclined Ladder (Funnel Step) Vent Intake Box (INS Ships) Bridge Front RAS Gantry RAS Gantry Platform

Inclined Ladders (Hull Step Fwd) Inclined Ladders (Bofors Platforms) Inclined Ladders (Hull Step)

Vertical Ladder (Stock)

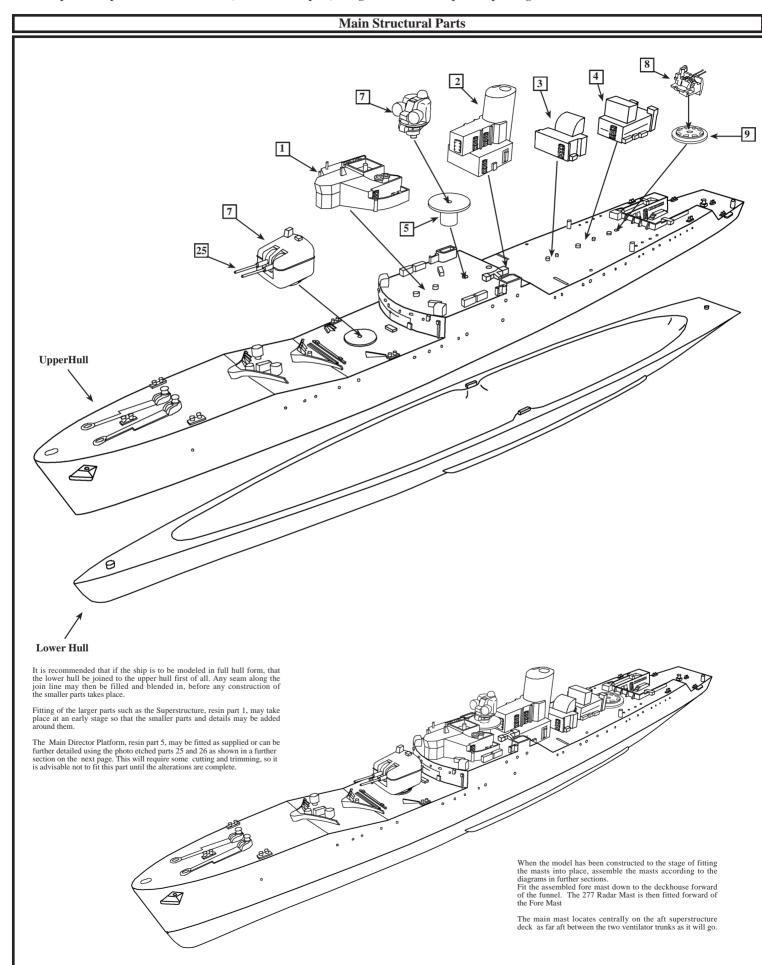
General Precautions

- When assembling a Resin / Photoetched metal kit, certain precautions must first be taken.

 1. Resin dust can be harmful if inhaled. It is recommended that you wear a suitable dust mask when drilling or sanding resin parts.

 2. Cyano adhesives (super glues) are generally used to assemble this type of kit. Care must be taken when using this type of adhesive as it will bond in control of the con seconds. Follow the advice on the container.
- 3. Wash resin parts in a solution of warm soapy water before assembly. This will remove any residual mold release agents and ensure a good key for painting.

 4. Soak photoetch parts in a suitable solvent, such as white spirit, to degrease the surfaces prior to painting.

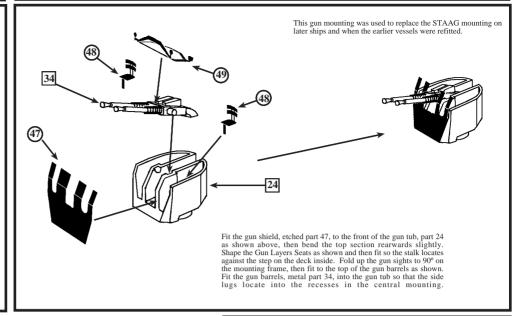


Twin 4.5" Mk6 Gun Turret Assembly

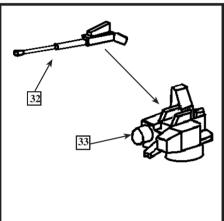
Clean off any excess material from the gun barrels, parts 25, so that the barrels and the elevation discs are clean and smooth. Fit the elevation discs on both barrels into the recesses in the front of gun turret, resin part 7. Elevate the barrels to the desired position and

secure into place

Twin 40mm Bofors Mk5 Assembly



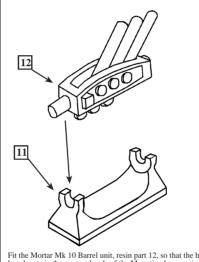
Single 40mm Bofors Mk7 Assembly



Fit the body of the 40mm Bofors gun, part 32, into the recess on the top of the Gun Mounting, part 33. Make two of these.

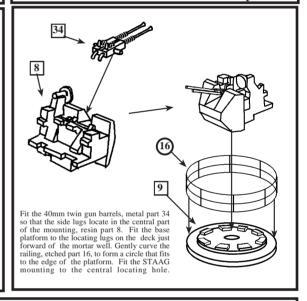
This gun mounting was used on some ships to replace the STAAG mounting. Also the Indian Navy ships had two of these fitted on an amidships platform.

Mortar Mk10 Assembly

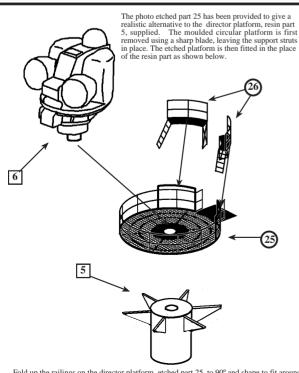


Fit the Mortar Mk 10 Barrel unit, resin part 12, so that the hinge lugs locate in the recessed ends of the Mounting base, resin part 11. The mortar barrels can be angled sideways as desired.

40mm Bofors STAAG Assembly

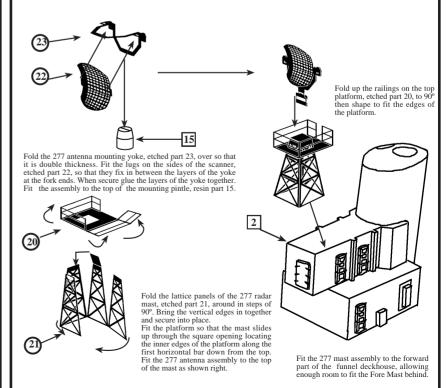


Mk 6 Gunnery Director Platform

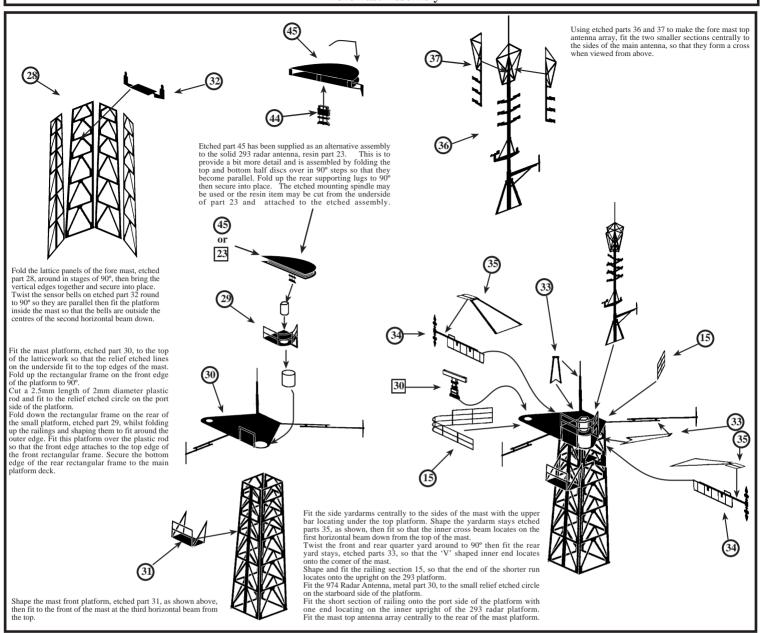


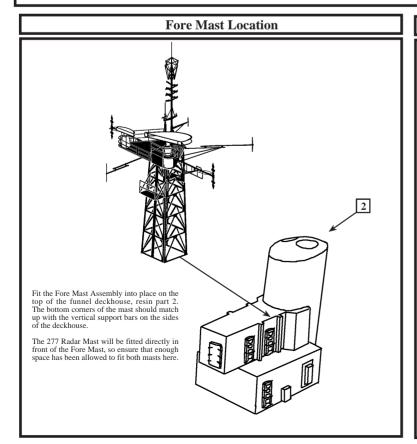
Fold up the railings on the director platform, etched part 25, to 90° and shape to fit around the edge of the platform as shown. Shape the ladders and support frames on the access platform, etched parts 26, and fit into place against the insides of the supports on the platform as shown.

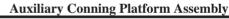
277 Radar Mast Assembly

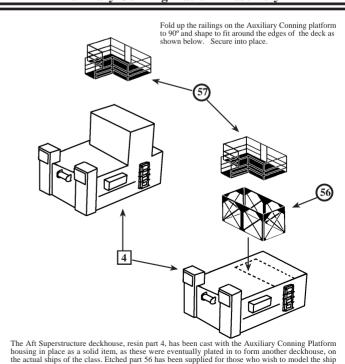


Foremast Assembly



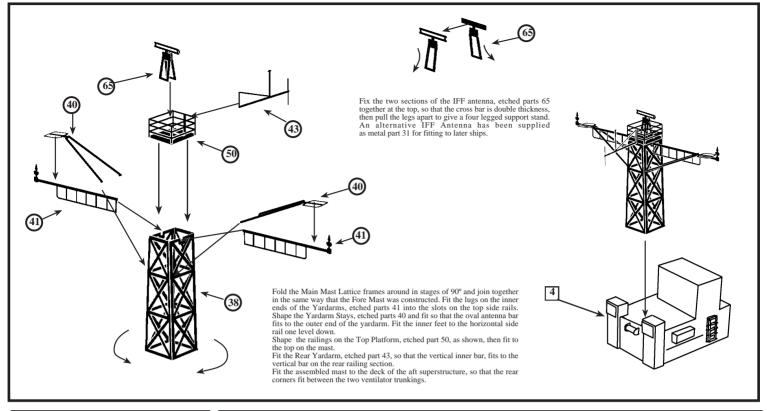


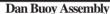




The Aft Superstructure deckhouse, resin part 4, has been cast with the Auxiliary Conning Platform housing in place as a solid item, as these were eventually plated in to form another deckhouse, on the actual ships of the class. Etched part 56 has been supplied for those who wish to model the ship in it's early guise, with an open framed platform. First remove the moulded deckhouse with a sharp blade or razor saw, and smooth down the surface of the deck. Mark the position of where the deckhouse had been. Shape etched part 56 as shown and fit to the deck of the Aft Superstructure in place of the deck house. Etched part 57 can then be fitted in place on top of either version.

Early Main Mast Assembly





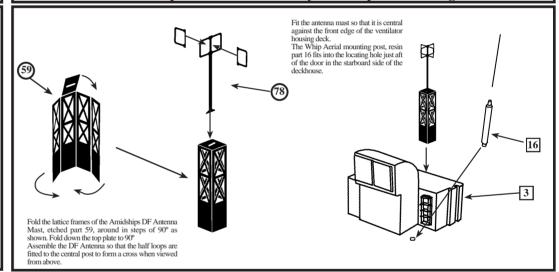
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Assemble the radar reflectors on the Dan Buoys, etched parts 64, as shown above. Fit the rectangular bracket arrangement onto the side railings on

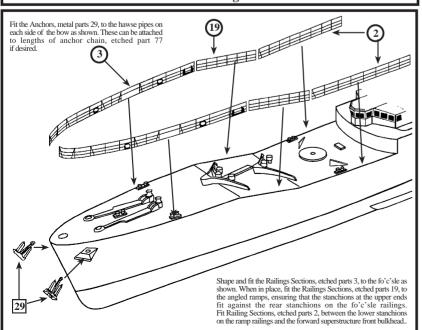
each stern quarter.

The colour of the reflector and body of the Dan Buoys varied from Dayglo Orange which was the most common, to Red and White 90° alternate sections These were usually fitted to the railings, outboard , on each side of the quarterdeck

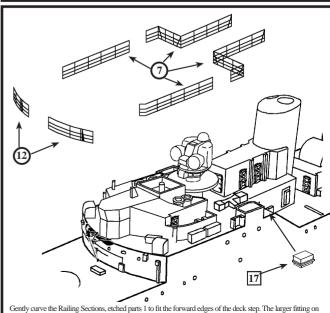
Amidships DF Antenna Assembly and Whip Aerial Fitting



Fo'c'sle Railing Location

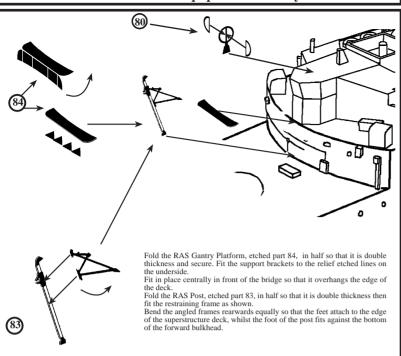


Forward Superstructure Railings



Gently curve the Railing Sections, etched parts 1 to fit the forward edges of the deck step. The larger fitting on the Port side. Shape and fit the Railings Sections, etched parts 7, to fit the sides of the superstructure deck as shown above. The longer front section goes to the Port side.

Forward RAS Equipment Assembly



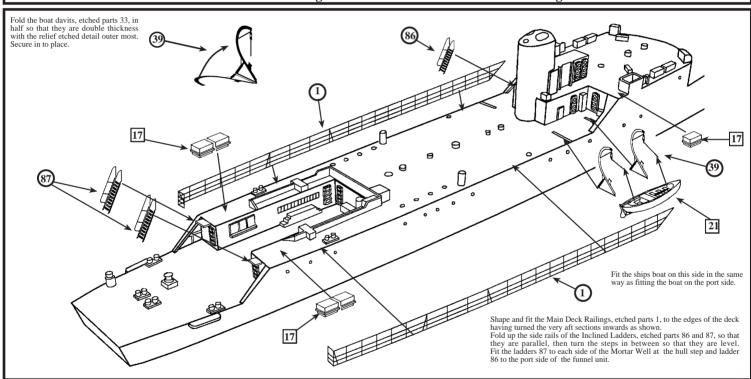
Port Side Boat Fitting

Fit the boat davits as shown on to the raised strips molded on the deck port and starboard.

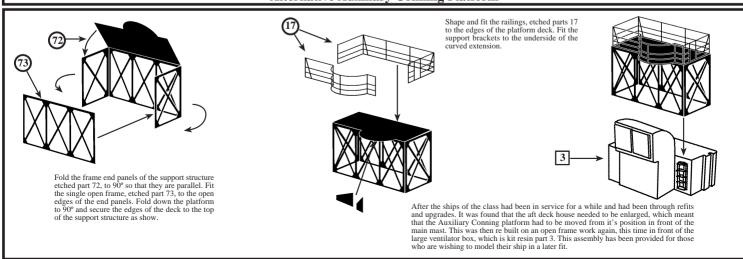
Fit the boats in to place by measuring the distance of the falls from the davits, then drilling through the boat at those points forward and aft. Feed the falls down through the boat, until the boat is in the correct position on the davits. Secure into place.

Cut the Life Raft Containers, resin parts 17, into two and fit two single units next to the hull step aft of the signal lamp enclosure, one on each side of the ship.

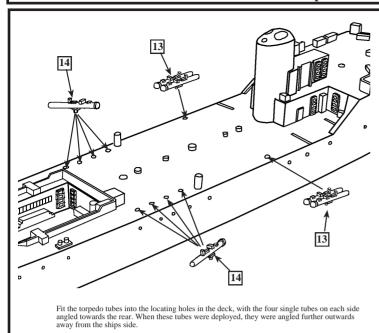
Main Deck Railing Location and Starboard Side Boat Fitting



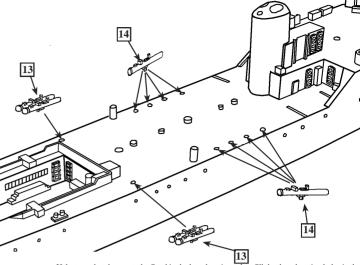
Alternative Auxiliary Conning Platform



Torpedo Tube Fitting and Alternatives

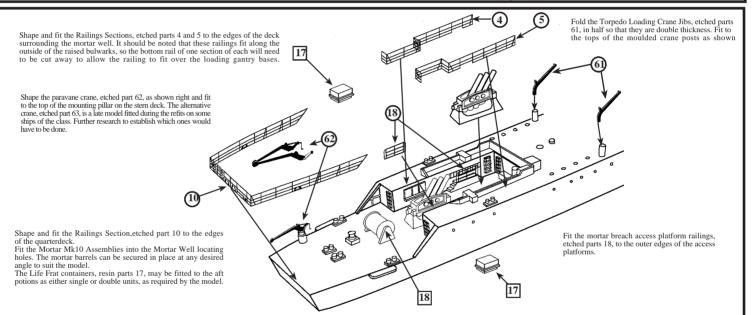


In the very early days of these ships careers, Torpedo Tubes, resin parts 13 and 14, were fitted to the edges of the main deck. Some ships had them fitted as shown left, with the bank of four single tubes at the aft location and trainable aft, with the twin tube mountings in the forward location. Later the fitting location was reversed, so that the twin tube mountings were located aft and the four singles forward as shown below

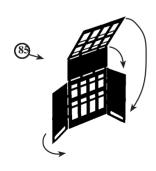


If the torpedo tubes are to be fitted in the later locations, then fill the three locating holes in the deck nearest the loading crane post. Then drill three new holes in corresponding positions in the deck forward of the loading crane post.

Quarterdeck and Mortar Well Fittings



Fuel Can Rack Assembly

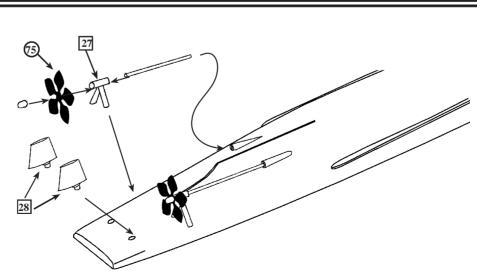


Fold the sides of the fuel can rack round to 90° so that they are parallel, then fold the top and front panels down in stages of 90° so that they form a box construction rack.

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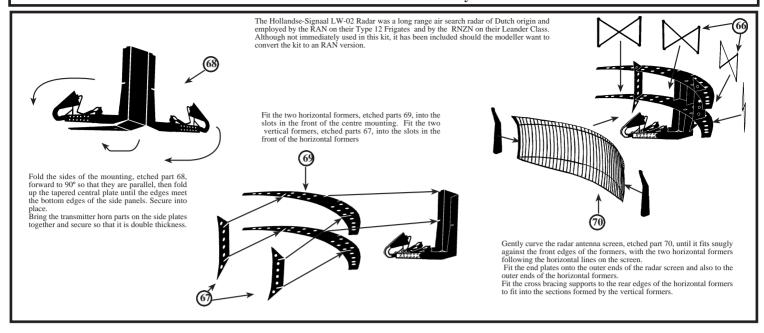
Propeller and Rudder Asembly



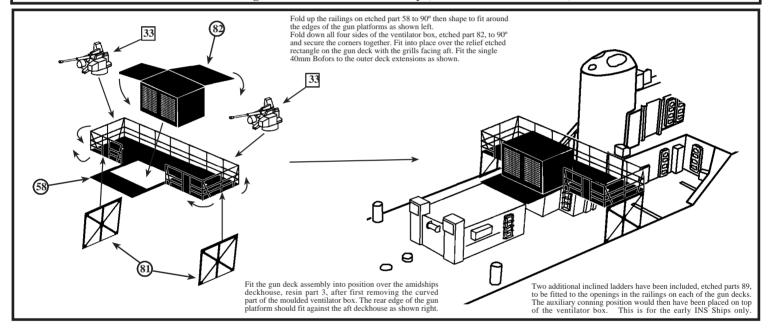
If the kit is being built as a full hull model, prepare the lower hull and fit to the upper hull as described at the beginning of these instructions. Cut two 30mm lengths of the 1mm diameter plastic rod stock provided, to make the propeller shafts. Cut the front of the hub boss from the bearing and retain. Fit the propeller, etched part 75, centrally to the flat face on the front of the A frame bearing. Re-fit the hub boss to the front of the propeller as shown above.. Fit the propeller shaft assemblies to the lower hull so that the open end of the shaft fits in to the hull sleeve.

The legs of the A-frame may need to be trimmed in length to get the A-frame to sit correctly on the hull, but there is sufficient length on both legs to do this. Fit the rudders, metal parts 28, in to place in the locating holes on the stern.

LW-02 Radar Antenna Assembly



40mm Single Bofors Platform Assembly (INS Talwar and Trishul)



Other Instructions and Information

- 1. The photo etched detail set supplied in this kit, contains several parts and sub assemblies that are included as extras to help with building the model as one of the modified ships in service with the Commonwealth Navies. For example the additinal Bofors gun platform as fitted to the Indian Navy Ships Talwar and Trishul and the LW-02 Radar antenna as later fitted to HMAS Parramatta and HMAS Yarra the first two Type 12s built for the RAN.
- 2. Stock lengths of vertical ladders. etched parts 90, have been supplied to be cut to the required lengths for fitting to masts platforms and bulkheads as required.
- 3. Long lengths of Anchor Chain, etched parts 77, have been supplied to be cut and fitted to the focsle deck, from the hawse pipe holes to the capstans. There is also sufficient to run from the awse pie holes, down to the surface of the water in a seascape diorama if that is being modelled.
- 4. A selection of cable and cordage reels, etched parts 6 and 24 has been supplied to be fitted as desired to the focsle and quarter deck.
- 5. Name plates for all the ships of the class, etched parts 76, including other nations ships, have been supplied for fitting as required. These can be painted in the appropriate background colour and then the raised etching scraped clean back to brass to represent the metal lettering on these ceremonial name plates. These were fitted to a bulkhead adjacent to where an accommodation ladder or gangway would be positioned on each side of the ship.

To assemble the cable reels, first fold up the drum ends to 90° so that they are parallel, then cut a length of plastic or brass rod to fit in between as a centre spindle. Super glue in to place.

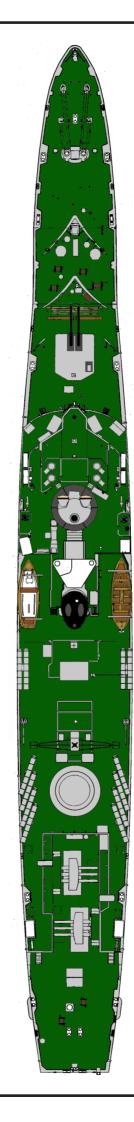


To add extra depth and realism to the cable reels, lengths of thin fuse wire can be wound round the centre spool to represent the wound on cables or boses





The decal sheet supplied contains a combination of F superior pennant numbers that can be cut The paint reference numbers that are given in this colour guide are for Humbrol paints as they are the most common and easiest to obtain worldwide. The same numbers refer to both Enamel and Acrylic colour ranges. and arranged to cover all the numbers worn by the ships of this class. They also include the smaller numbers displayed across the stern, and the individual squdron numbers worn on the sides of the funnel. Also included are national emblems that were worn on the funnel. Additional Instructions F43 Main Colour Chart and Painting Guide Anti Fouling Red Humbrol 100 R.N. Deck Green Humbrol 88 R.N.Light Admiralty Grey Humbrol 127



Pennant Numbers for all Ships of the Class

F36 HMS Whitby F43 HMS Torquay F63 HMS Tenby F65 HMS Scarborough F73 HMS Eastbourne F77 HMS Blackpool

F140 INS Talwar F143 INS Trishul

The colour guide above shows the main scheme and the areas covered. There are smaller less obvious areas that are listed below.

Upper parts of Masts and Funnel Cap. Gun Barrels. Waterline Boot Topping. Matt Black.

Fore Mast Top Array. Life Raft Canisters. Bollards and Fairleads. Coachwork on Motor Boat Matt White

Propellers. Elevation Discs on 4.5" Guns. Bronze Boat Thwarts and Interior. Motor Boat Decking. Natural Wood

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