

Modernised Type 12M Class Frigate H.M.S. YARMOUTH 1968-1986

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. Such was the success of these ships that a further nine vessels to an upgraded specification (Type 12M) were ordered for the Royal Navy. Two were also ordered for the Royal New Zealand Navy and three for the South African Navy as the President Class. The Australian Navy also built their versions of the Type 12 under a licence agreement.

During the 1960s, the introduction of the Leander class of Frigate or Type 12i, meant that ships were being provided with the additional capability of operating a Wasp Helicopter in the Match role. It was decided to refit the later Type 12M frigates and bring them up to this standard as well. Major reconstruction was carried out on the nine RN ships and the three President class of the South African Navy who had also purchase Wasp Helicopters. HMS Yarmouth was one of those nine ships.

Originally Laid Down on 29th November 1957 at John Browns Shipbuilding on the Clyde, she was commissioned on 26th March 1960. Her modernisation program took place between 1966 and 1968 which took her capacity close to that of a Leander class Frigate. She was heavily involved in the Cod Wars off Iceland during the 1970s where she sustained damage from collisions with Icelandic Gun Boats. Her involvement in the Falklands campaign really brought her name to the fore, where along with HMS Plymouth, she was in the thick of the action, both in San Carlos and on anti submarine patrols, where she gained the nickname 'Crazy Y', from her frantic chasing down of suspected and actual submerged targets.

HMS Yarmouth continued to serve until 30th April 1986 when she was decommissioned. A year later she was towed out into the Atlantic and sunk as a target for HMS Manchester.

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 Gun Mounting. 1 x Limbo A/S Mortar Mk10 2 x 20mm Single OerlikonGuns 1 x Quadruple Sea Cat Missile Launcher 1 x Wasp Anti Submarine Helicopter

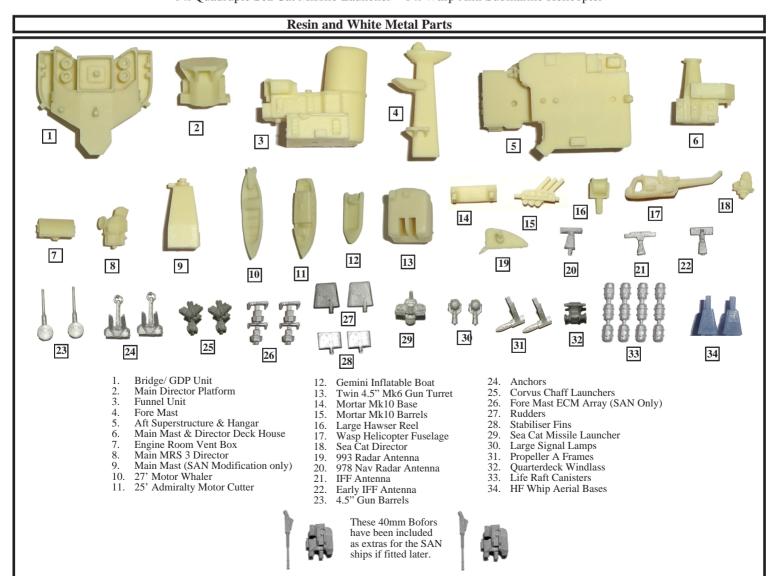
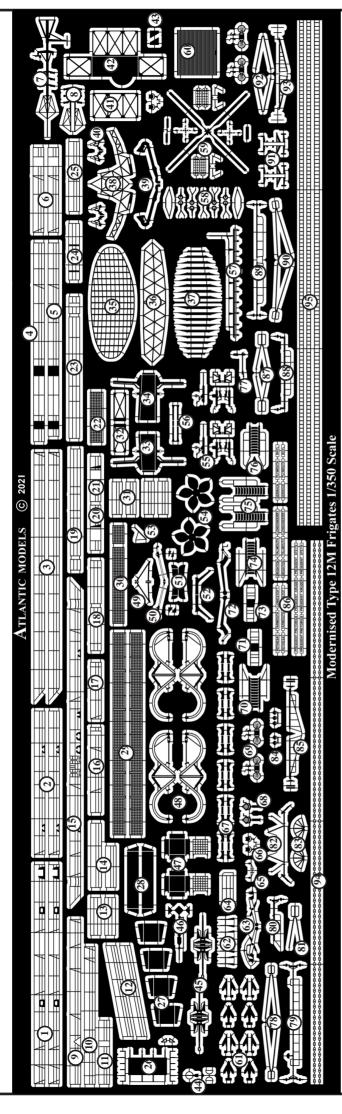


Photo Etched Metal Parts



Railings (Fore Deck)	Railings (Main Deck	Railings (Superstructure Stbd)	Railings (Superstructure Port)	Railings (Mortar Well)	Fore Mast Ton Array (Centre)
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Railings (Fo'c'sle)

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- Fore Mast Top Array (Sides) Railings (Hangar Roof)
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- Railings (Fo'c'sle Ramp)
- Railings (Chaff Launcher Enclosure)
 - Railings (Funnel Base)
- Railings (Aux Conn Position Fwd) Railings (Aux Conn Position Aft) Railings (Quarterdeck) 223. 24.
- Railings (Fore Mast Lower Platform) Railings (Fore Mast Top Platform) Railings (Forward Hull Step Stbd)
- Mortar Well Safety Net
- Railings (Main Director Platform) Railings (Main Mast Top Platform

- Railings (Nav Radar Platform)
- Life Raft Shelves (Large) Life Raft Shelves (Small) Flight Deck Safety Nets
- Railings (Whip Aerial Platforms) Aerial Platforrm Supports
- Aerial Platform (Port)
- Jupiter Radar Mounting Frame Jupiter Radar Rear Frame
- Jupiter Radar Transducer Horn
- Aux Conn Platform Ext Supports Bridge Roof DF Antenna Aux Conn Platform
 - Railings (Forward Hull Step Port)

- Canoe Rack
- Hangar SideSafety Nets
- Aerial Platform (Starboard)
- Jupiter Radar Vertical Spacers Jupiter Radar Antenna Mesh
- Aux Conn Plaform Aft Frame Chaff Launcher Flare Tubes
- Alternative Anchors Dan Bouy Marker
- Signal Flag Stowage **Boat Davits**

Fwd RAS Gear Attachment Frame Fwd RAS Gear Post

Fwd RAS Gear Access Platform

Inclined Ladders (Forward Hull Step) Aft Hull Step Ladder Landing (Stbd) Inclined Ladder (Aft Hull Step Stbd)

Inclined Ladder (Funnel Port)

Sensor (Main Mast Top)

Yardarm Stays (Fore Mast Sides)

Yardarms (Fore Mast Sides)

Yardarm (Fore Mast Front)

- 20mm Oerlikon Mountings Small Boat Crane Main Mast Gaff Propellers
- 168 Decov Rack
- Wasp Helicopter Undercarriage Parts Flight Deck Approach Light Bar

Sword and Shield Antenna Mountings

Yardarm Stays (Fore Mast Front)

Yardarms (Fore Mast Aft Quarters)

Yardarm Stays (Main Mast)

Ships Name Boards

Yardarms (Main Mast)

Flight Deck Floodlight Clusters

Shield Antennas

- Wasp Helicopter Parts Hangar Door
 - Sea Cat Missiles

Sae Cat Loading Rails

- Mortar Well Platform Railing Hyab Hydraulic Crane (Alt) Fore Mast Top Sensors Signal Lamps (Small)
- Life Raft Racks (Singles) Signal Lamps (Large) Cordage Reels
- Inclined Ladder(Aft Hull Step Port)
- Aft Hull Step Ladder Landing (Port) Decoy Crane
- Anchor Chain
- Vertical Ladder Stock

Yardarm Stays (Main Mast Aft Quarters SAN) Yardarms (Main Mast Aft Quarters SAN)

Yardarm Stays (Main Mast Sides SAN)

Yardarms (Main Mast Sides SAN) Fore Mast Top Pole Array (Early)

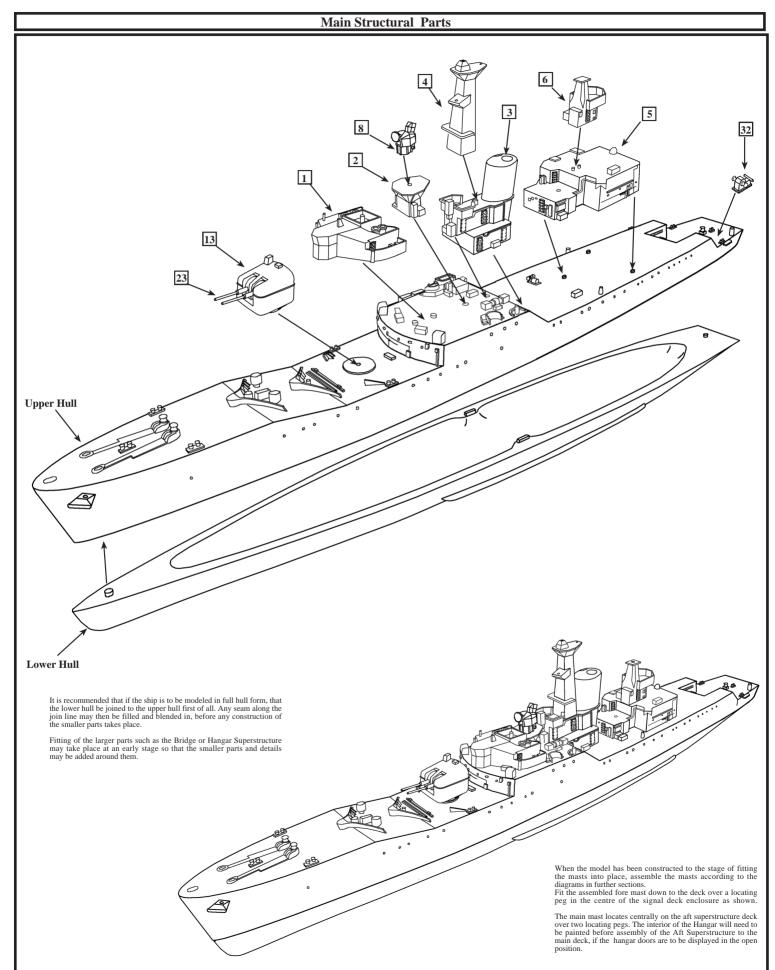
General Precautions

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

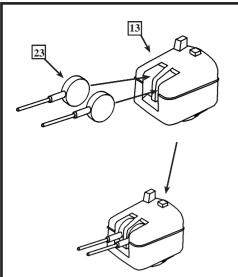
 1. Resin dust can be harmful if inhaled. It is recommended that you wear a suitable dust mask when drilling or sanding resin parts.

 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 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.



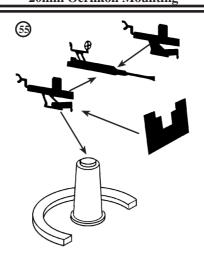
Twin 4.5" Mk6 Gun Turret Assembly



Clean off any excess material from the gun barrels, parts 23, 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 turrer, resin part 13. Elevate the barrels to the desired position and secure into place.

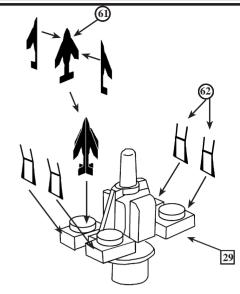
20mm Oerlikon Mounting



Fit the two side sections of the gun body to each side of barrel section. Bend the shoulder rests outwards slightly then twist the gun sight to 90°. Fit the 20mm gun mounting to the tops of the pintles that are situated on each side of the forward superstructure top deck aft of the bridge.

Fit the gun shield centrally to the locating lug just below the mid point on the gun.

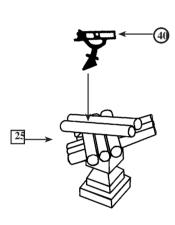
Sea Cat Missile Launcher



Assemble the Sea Cat missiles using etched parts 61 as shown above.

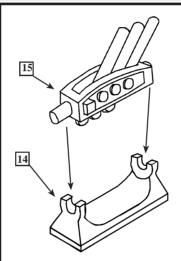
These can be fitted to the launcher as desired. Fit the loading rails, etched parts 62, to the short sides of the launcher.

Corvus Chaff Launcher Assembly



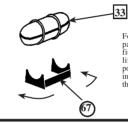
Fold the flare tubes, etched parts 40, in half to make them double thickness with the relief etched detail outer most. Fit to the top of the chaff launchers, metal parts 25 so that the foot locates between the top two tubes. Make two of these.

Mortar Mk10 Assembly



Fit the Mortar Mk 10 Barrel unit, resin part 15, so that the hinge lugs locate in the recessed ends of the Mounting base, resin part 14. The mortar barrels can be angled sideways as desired.

Life Raft Stowage Assembly

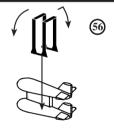


Fold the lift raft canister rack, etched Fold the lift raft canister rack, etched part 33, to the shape shown above, then fit a single canister in to each rack. The life raft canisters are fitted to various points on the edges of the decks as shown in later diagrams or on to shelves fitted to the sides of the hangar

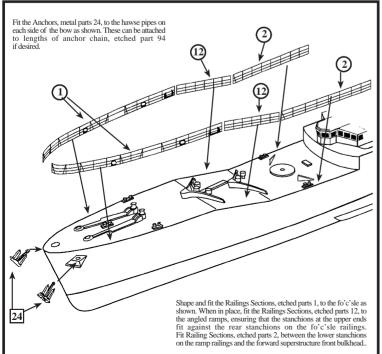
182 Torpedo Decoy Rack

Fold the legs on etched parts 56 over in 90° steps so that they are parallel, then fit them over the acoustic decoys as a stowage frame.

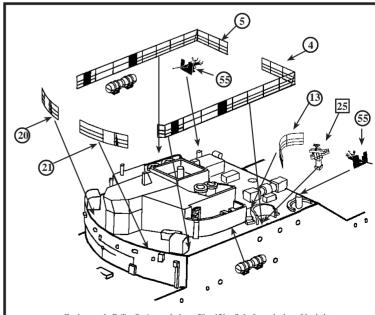
Fit to the quarterdeck off centre to port.



Fo'c'sle Railings Location



Forward Superstructure Railings and Fittings Location



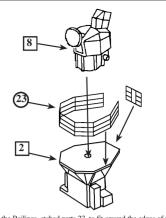
Gently curve the Railing Sections, etched parts 20 and 21 to fit the forward edges of the deck step. Fit Railings Sections, etched parts 4 and 5 to the Port and Starboard sides of the Superstructure deck respectively. Etched part 4 is slightly longer to take up the extra length needed on the Port side. Shape and fit the railings sections 13 to the rear edges of the Chaff Launcher enclosures on both sides of the Superstructure Deck. Fit the Chaff Launchers and 20mm Oerlikons in to place as shown above. Fit a pair of Life Raft Canisters to the outsides of the Bridge Wings as shown

Forward RAS Equipment Assembly

(49) Fold the RAS Post, etched part50, in half so that it is double thickness then fit the restraining frame, 49, as shown. Bend the angled frames rearwards equally so that the feet attach to the edge of the superstructure deck, whilst the foot of the post fits against the bottom of the forward bulkhead. **5**0 ۵ Fold the RAS Gantry Platform, etched part 50, in half so that it is double thickness and secure. Fit the support brackets to the relief etched lines on the underside. Fit in place centrally in front of the bridge so that it overhangs the edge of

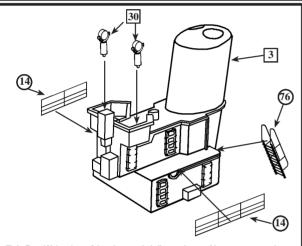
the deck.

Main MRS 3 Director and Platform



Shape the Railings, etched parts 23, to fit around the edges of the main MRS 3 Director platform as shown above. The rear small section of railing has an access opening for a vertical ladder section. This may be obtained by cutting a length of ladder form the stock etched part 95. Fit the completed assembly into place behind the bridge and GDP unit, resin part 1.

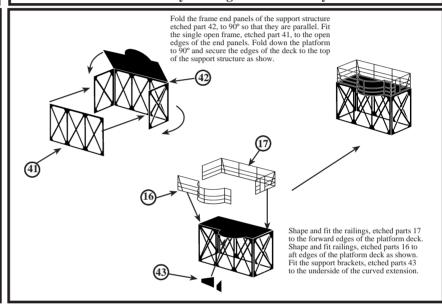
Funnel Platform Fittings



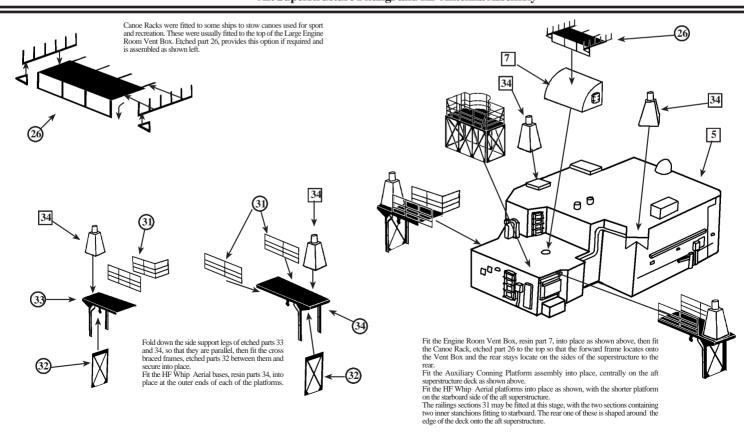
Fit the Funnel Unit, resin part 3, into place over the hull step at the rear of the superstructure as shown in the main location diagram. Fit the railings sections, etched parts 14, to the edges of the deck as shown above, with the longer section to the port side. Shape and fit the inclined ladder, etched part 76 to the rear of the side platform. Fit the two large Signal Lamps, metal parts 30, into place in the platform extensions, forward of the

funnel as shown above.

Auxiliary Conning Position Assembly



Aft Superstructure Fittings and HF Antenna Assembly



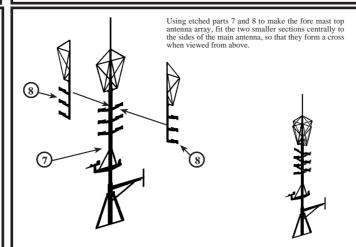
Dan Buov Assembly

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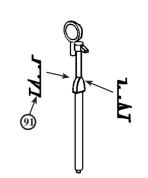
Assemble the radar reflectors on the Dan Buoys, etched parts 46 as shown above.
Fit the rectangular bracket arrangement onto the side railings on

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

Fore Mast Top Pole Assembly



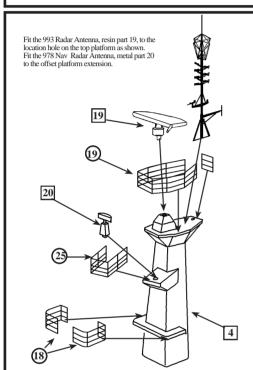
SAN Alternative Top Pole



This diagram has been provided for information only to show the location of etched parts 91 on the mast pole should it be fitted to the South African Navy version of the ship. The mast top pole has not been supplied in this kit, but may be obtained from Atlantic Models on request.

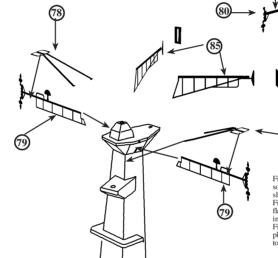
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Fore Mast Fittings Assembly



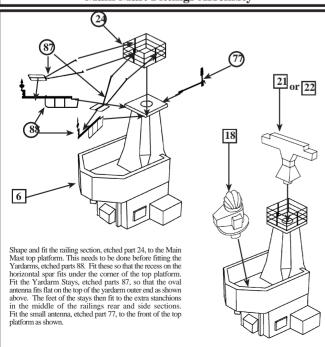
Shape and fit the Railing Sections, etched parts 18, 19 and 25, to the edges of their respective platforms as shown above. Note that there is a gap centrally on the lower platform to allow a section of vertical ladder access.

Fit the Sword and Shield Antenna Arnay, etched part 82, to the front of the Fore Mast Top Platform so that the shaped locating rail fits around forward edge of the platform. This assembly must be done in order. Now fit the Front Yardarm, etched part 80, centrally to the front of the platform so the the angled section fits under the front of the platform fit the Yardarm Say, etched part 81 so that the oval antenna fits flat onto the outer end of the yardarm. The feet of the stay now fit onto the top of the railing stanchions as shown right. Fit the Shield Antennas, etched parts 83, to the undersides of the two vertical posts on etched part 82.

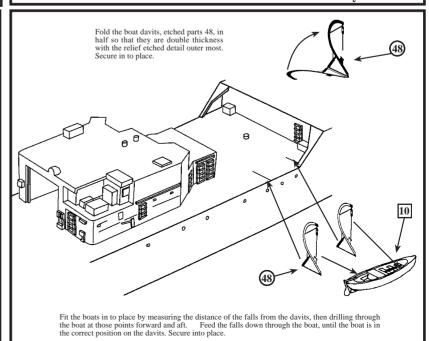


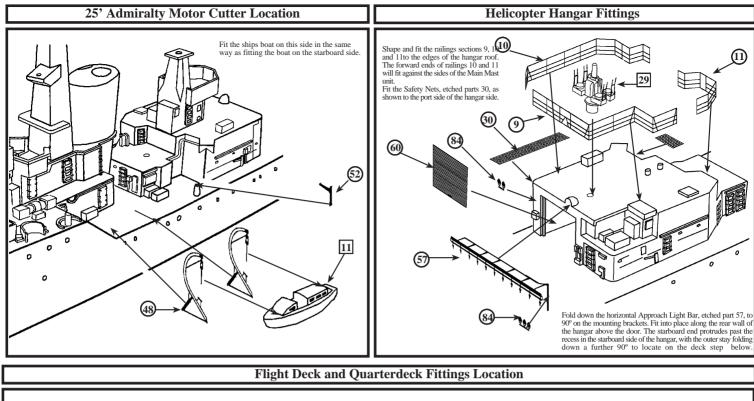
Fit the Side Yardarms, etched parts 79, to the Fore Mast top as shown so that the horizontal spar is flush with the platform. The shaped foot should fit against the angled underside of the platform. Fit the Yardarm Stays, etched parts 78, so that the oval antenna fits flat onto the top of the yardarm outer end. The two feet are then bent in and secured in place against the sides of the mast. Fit the Rear Quarter Yardarms, etched parts 85, to the rear of the top platform as shown, again with the horizontal spar being flush with the top platform.

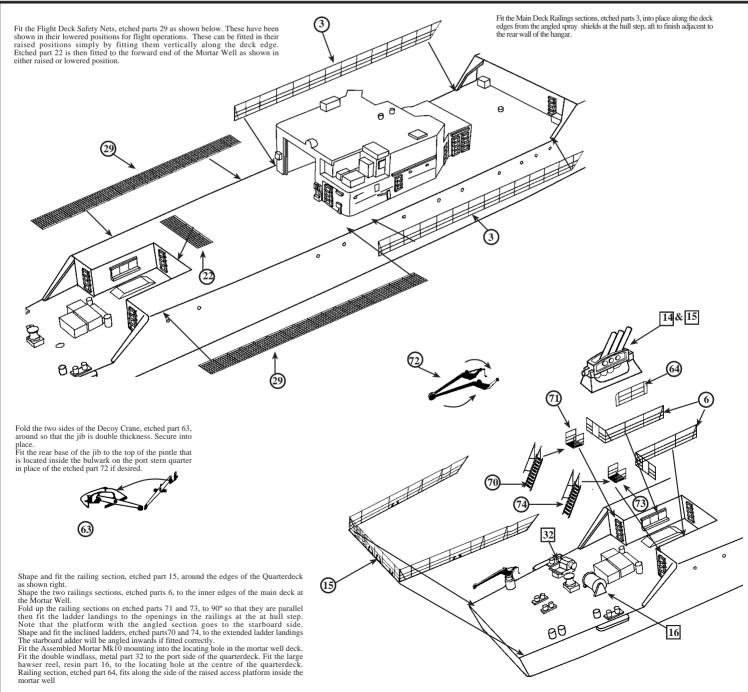
Main Mast Fittings Assembly



27' Motor Whaler Location and Davit Assembly





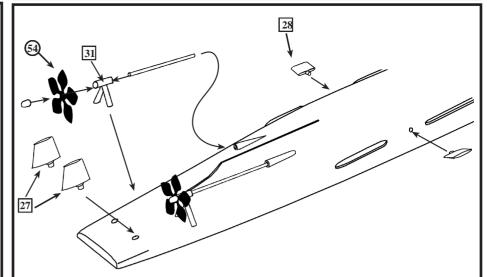


Hangar Life Raft RackAsembly

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The Life Raft Canisters that were fitted to each side of the Hangar were of two different layouts. The first option is to have a three canister shelf, etched part 28, fitted to each side of the hangar, locating on to the raised strips provided. Fit a row of three Life Raft Canisters to each of these shelves as shown above. The second option is a bit more unusual in that there were two double canister shelves, etched parts 27, fitted to each side of the hangar. These usually had a gap between them and had two Life Raft Canisters fitted in tandem on each one. Sometimes a single small shelf was fitted centrally to the hangar side. This depends on which ship of the class is being modelled and further research will be required to establish which format is required for your model.

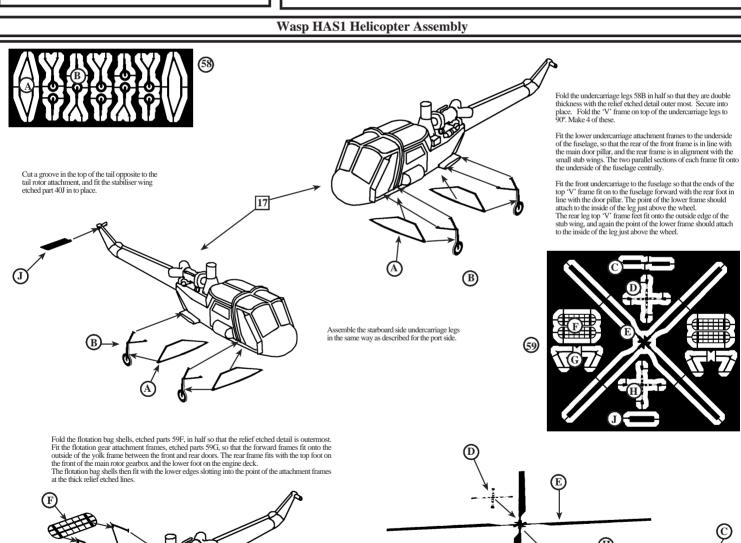
Propeller and Rudder Asembly



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. Fit the Stabiliser fins, parts 28 to the locating holes on the lower hull between the bilge keels.

Cut two 30mm lengths of the 1mm diameter brass 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 \$4\$, 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 27, in to place in the locating holes on the stem.



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Fit the doublers, etched parts 59D and 59H, to the upper and lower surfaces of the main rotor head, to give the extra thickness needed for that part. Fit the main rotor centrally to the top of the rotor shaft as shown.

If the modeller requires the main rotor blades to be folded as for stowage, simply bend the blades rearwards at the point where the doubler parts are fitted on the upper and lower surfaces. The two front blades would be angled downwards slightly.

Wasp Helicopter Colour Guide





Humbrol 96 RAF Blue Grey



Ships Flights Codex Numbers

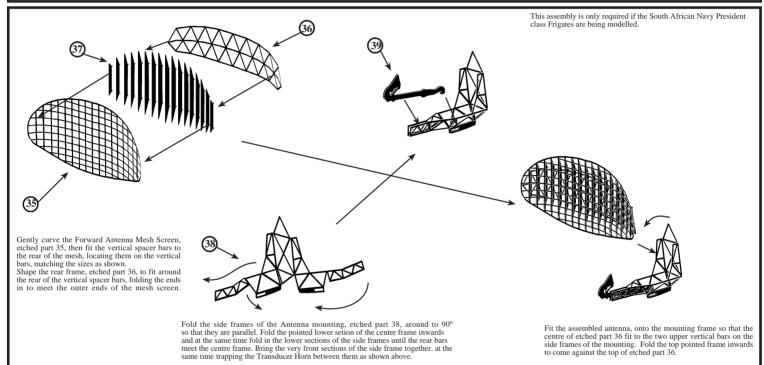
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Other Colours Used

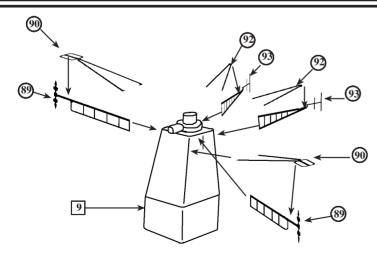
Wheel Tyres, Undersides of Rotor Blades. Matt Black.. Top Surfaces of Rotor Blades, Cockpit Interior Light Grey.

Red and White Tail Rotor Blade Tips Gloss Black.... Tail Rotor Blades

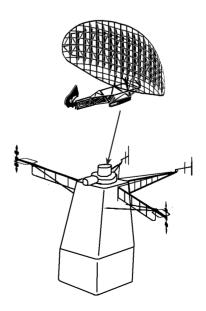
South African Navy Jupiter Radar Assembly



South African Navy Type 12 Frigate Main Mast Assembly



Fit the two side yardarms, etched parts 89, so that the inner end is central on the side of the mast. The yardarms should be angled forwards when the Yardarm Stays are fitted into place as shown above. Fit the two rear quarter yardarms, etched parts 93, to the rear corners of the mast. Fit the stays, etched parts 92 so that the feet pass to each side of the rear corners with the aft pair meeting in the middle of the rear face of the mast.



Fit the Jupiter Radar Antenna so that the lower plate on the mounting base fits to the top of the locating peg on the mast.

Anti Fouling Red Humbrol 100 R.N. Deck Green Humbrol 88 Main Colour Chart and Painting Guide R.N. Light Deck Grey Humbrol 106 R.N.Light Weatherwork Grey Humbrol 127

Pennant Numbers Flight Deck Code Letters for all Ships of the Class

HMS Yarmouth F101 / YM HMS Lowestoft F103 / LT HMS Brighton F106 / BR HMS Rothesay F107 / RO HMS Londonderry F108 / LD HMS Falmouth F113 / FM HMS Berwick F115 / BK HMS Plymouth F126 / PL HMS Rhyl F129 / RL

Fore Mast Top Array. Life Raft Canisters. Bollards and Fairleads. Coachwork on Motor Boat Upper parts of Masts and Exhaust Stacks. Gun Barrels. Waterline Boot Topping. Propellers. Elevation Discs on 4.5" Guns. Matt White Matt Black. Bronze

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

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