

*** CAUTION - Choking Hazard ***

This kit contains small parts which may be dangerous for children and animals.

Model Building Instructions

Soak the parts overnight in soapy water (Dawn is good) and rinse thoroughly, scrubbing slightly to get in the nooks and crannies to remove excess residue from the casting process which may prevent paint from sticking. The base should be drilled before painting. To drill a hole in the center, line it up on a grid pattern to find the center and mark it with a scribe or nail. The acrylic rod supplied with this kit should be about 1/8 inch in diameter, but sometimes varies, so check before you drill. With a pin vise or other hand drill, make a hole about half the depth of the base. Do the same to the model in a location that provides center of balance.

While every effort is made to prevent bubbles, you may find a few on your model kit, and in some cases these holes may have already been filled for you with Aves epoxy putty. You can use your favorite model putty or bondo glazing putty to fill any remaining small holes and sand when dry. Some trimming, filling, and sanding may be necessary where pour stubs, flash, and Aves are present. Use either super glue or a 2-part epoxy to cement parts together.

***** Always wear a mask when sanding to prevent inhalation of resin or putty dust particles *****

Assembly Instructions

The below steps are simply to show how the parts fit together. A dry fit of parts prior to painting or gluing is recommended. You may choose to paint each part before gluing together, or glue together and then paint. Whichever method works best for you.

Step: 1

Insert and glue the cockpit ball through the tri-wing support, centered on one support faing upright.

Step: 2

Attach rear piece with holes aligned to the supports, and the small square nub facing downward.

Step: 3

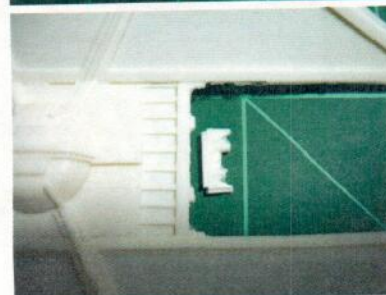
Carefully align each wing so they line up as seen in the photo. Take your time and ensure that each wing is level, doing one at a time allowing for the glue to dry completely before moving to the next wing.

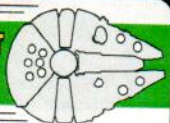
Step: 4

Glue small parts in place where shown.

Step: 5

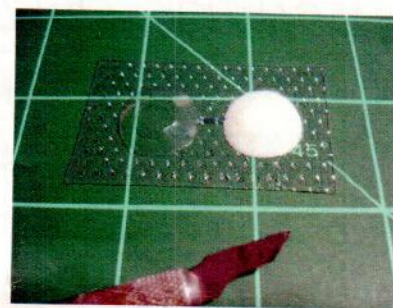
Glue the center-wing guns in place where shown.





Step: 6

Insert the buck under the vacu-formed viewport insert and carefully cut around the buck until the insert is free. It works best to put the insert on the cockpit, and then place the viewport frame over the top to glue in place around the edge. Everything should be painted before this step. A solid resin viewport is also included, and can be painted appropriately to use in place of the vacu-form insert and resin frame, if you prefer that option.



Painting Guide

Tamiya Haze Gray was used as the base paint for this build. Panels were masked and the sprayed with black. In most photos online, you will notice that the panels around the wing hubs are also painted black, but was not done for this build to allow for some contrast. Recommend painting detail areas and viewport frame with dark gray. Wing tip guns were painted with gunmetal, silver, and copper, and then glued to the tips of each wing as seen below.

