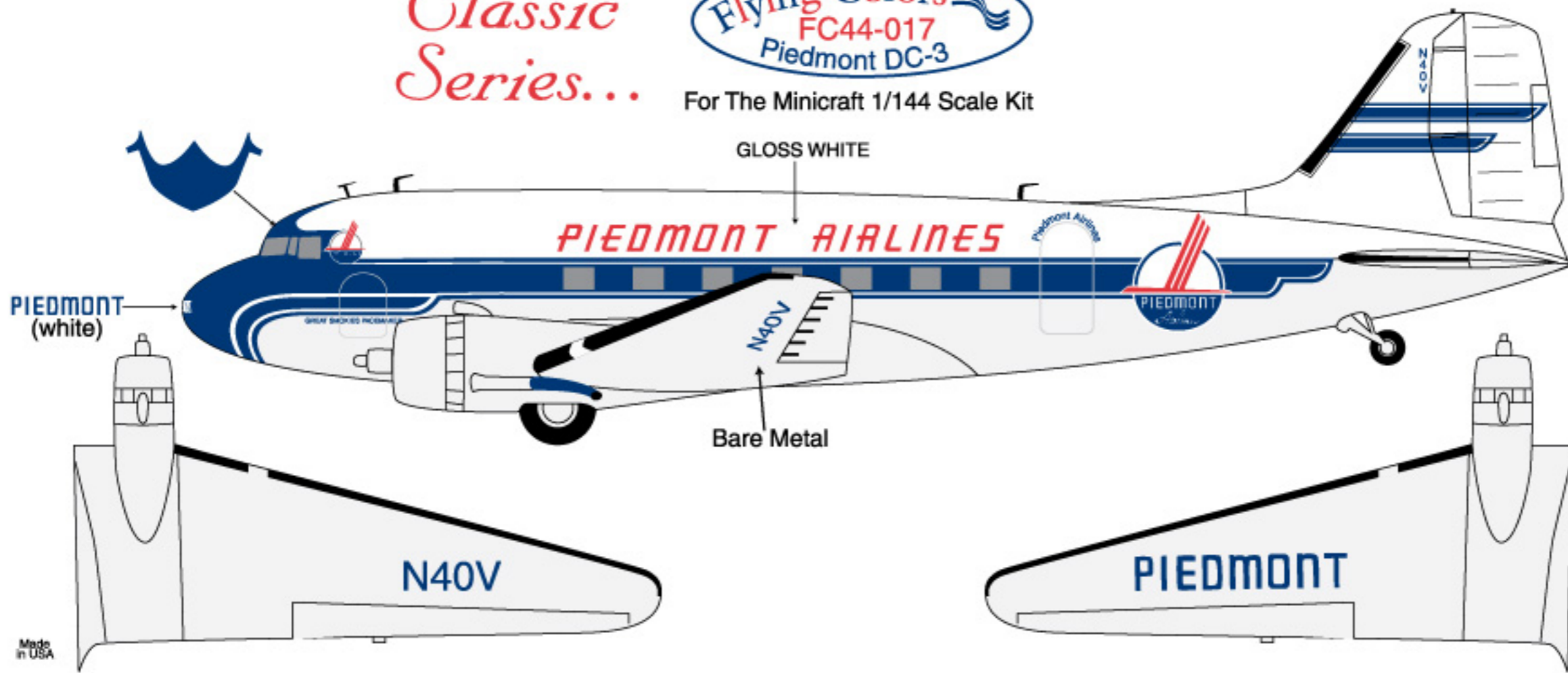


Classic Series...



For The Minicraft 1/144 Scale Kit



Flying Colors
FC44-017

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Piedmont Airlines was one of several U.S. airlines flying the venerable Douglas DC-3. Piedmont's attractive livery flew for many years on the DC-3, and one has recently been restored in full Piedmont colors. Thus the Piedmont DC-3 is still alive today. With a blue and white cheatline and a bare-metal belly, Piedmont's livery brought out the sleek lines of the DC-3 very well.

Start the painting process by applying gloss white to the upper crown and bare-metal to the wings, belly and horizontal stabilizers. You may wish to use the decals provided for the de-icer boots or paint them black. The rectangular strip next to the registration number on the decal is for the vertical stabilizer. Apply the cheatline for the nose section first, followed by the second strip for the rest of the model. It may be wise to paint the radome blue before applying the decal. The large and many compound curves may provide some problems with the application of the decal. You may wish to make small cuts in the decal with a sharp hobby knife to help the decal better conform to the model. The blue paint should help hide any discrepancies. If you have cut out the windows on the kit, then the decal already provides outlines for you. If you prefer to use the window decals provided then wait till the blue parts have dried and apply the decal over the window holes. Two separate windshields have been provided. Again, you have a choice of clear or decaled windshields. Piedmont had both types of windshields in their fleet. Check your references for the particular aircraft you wish to model. Apply the titles and registration number on the top and bottom of wings.

N40V Great Smokies
N41V Blue Ridge
N42V Appalachian
N43V Kanawha River
N44V Commonwealth
N45V Tidewater
N46V Ohio Valley

N4642V Shenandoah Valley
N47V Blue Grass
N48V Piedmont
N49V Tennessee Valley
N50V Chesapeake
N50322 Tennessee Valley
N51V Yadkin Valley

N52V Shenandoah Valley
N53V Hampton Roads
N54V Sand Hills
N55V Buckeye
N56V Potomac
N57V Tarheel
N58V Peninsula

N59V James River
N60V Cawtaba