



**Revell**  
Authentic Kit

THE SCALE OF THIS MODEL IS  
1/72 ACTUAL SIZE OR 1" = 6'

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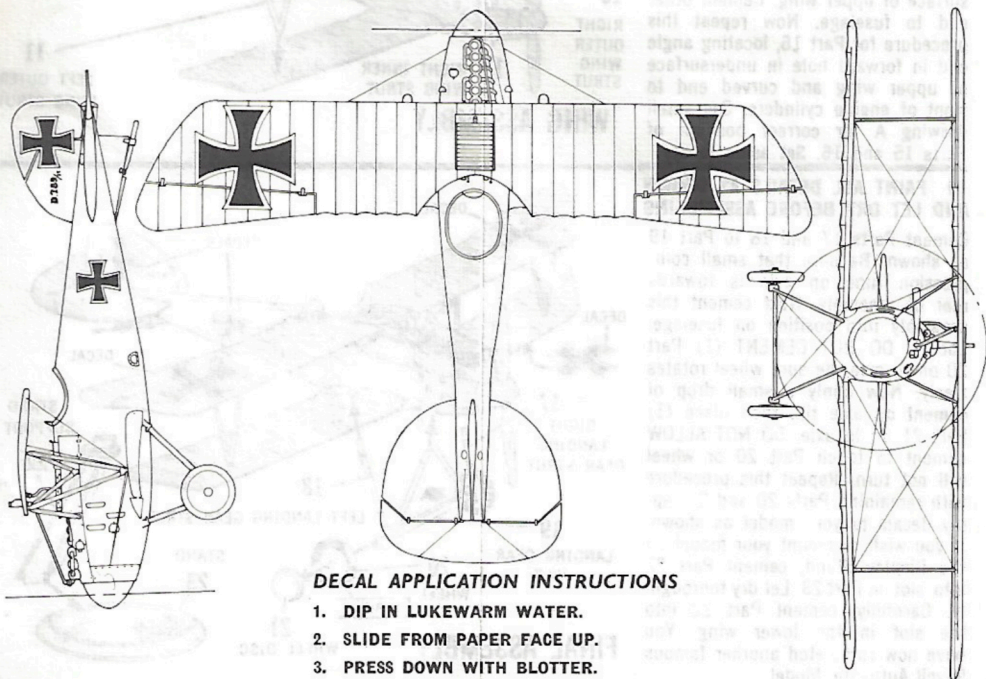
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## ALBATROS D-III

The German Albatros D-III was the third design in a progressive development of a successful line of fighters. Its predecessors, the Albatros D-I and D-II, had proven themselves superior to the Allied types in most cases, so the Germans had reason to be pleased with their new machines when the first of the D-III's began arriving in January, 1917. For a year and a half these Albatros scouts dominated the German squadrons, or jagstaffeln, offering better performance than their contemporaries. During this period, most of Germany's aces were flying the trim little ship in their victorious battles. It wasn't until the introduction of the Allied SPAD's and S.E. 5's and the German Fokker D-VII's that the Albatros fighters were outclassed, although they remained in active service until the end of the war.

The graceful lines of the Albatros D-III were due to the molded plywood fuselage and advanced design of its wings and tail. However, the D-III owed some of its performance characteristics to the French Nieuport 17. The Germans had great respect for the little French fighter and adapted the wing and strut arrangement to the Albatros design. The D-III was powered by a Mercedes liquid-cooled engine of 160 hp and had a top speed of 109 m.p.h.

For offensive armament it carried two synchronized Spandau machine guns. The wings spanned 29 feet 7 inches and the overall length was 24 feet. Loaded weight was 1,949 lbs.



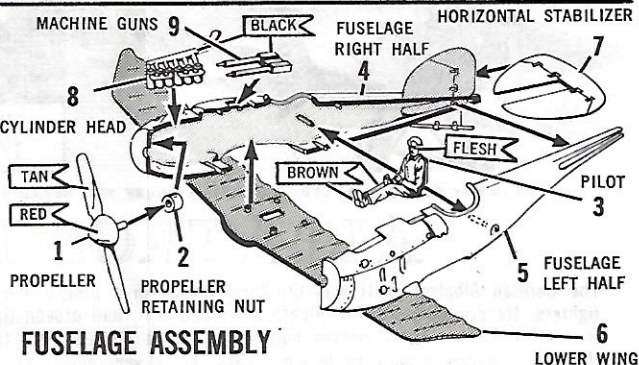
### DECAL APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. DIP IN LUKEWARM WATER.
2. SLIDE FROM PAPER FACE UP.
3. PRESS DOWN WITH BLOTTER.

NOTE: Do not use too much Cement or it will soften plastic. Keep Cement away from your eyes, furniture and clothing. Use REVELL CEMENT for cementing, and REVELL PAINT SET COLORS for painting. Paint parts before cementing. Start with STEP 1 and FOLLOW NUMBERED STEPS.

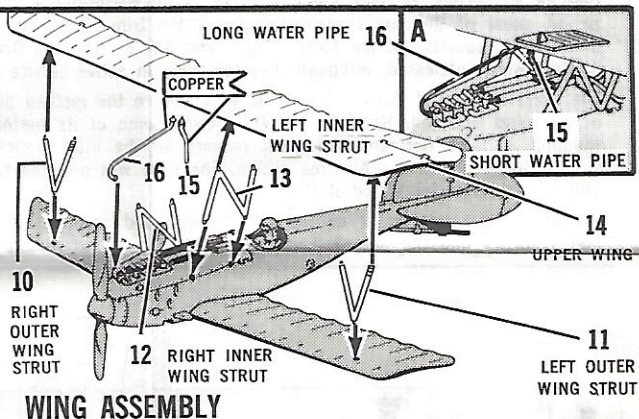
### I PAINT ALL DETAILS AS SHOWN AND LET DRY BEFORE ASSEMBLING

Place a small drop of cement on the end of pin on Part 1 and press Part 2 on to pin. Next cement Part 3 to pin on Part 4 as shown. Locate, DO NOT CEMENT, propeller assembly into fuselage and carefully cement together Parts 4 and 5. Be sure to locate pin on Part 5 into hole in pilot. DO NOT let cement touch propeller assembly or it will not turn. Next, cement Parts 6 and 7 in place. Finally, complete your fuselage assembly by cementing Part 8 and then Part 9 in position as shown. Set aside to dry.



### II PAINT ALL DETAILS AS SHOWN AND LET DRY BEFORE ASSEMBLING

Cement Parts 10, 11, 12, and 13 into locating holes in under-surface of Part 14. Now carefully cement this assembly to the lower wing and to the fuselage. Be sure upper and lower wings are properly aligned. Next, apply a small drop of cement to locating pin on end of Part 15 and, holding with tweezers, carefully insert into rear hole in under-surface of upper wing. Cement other end to fuselage. Now repeat this procedure for Part 16, locating angle end in forward hole in undersurface of upper wing and curved end to front of engine cylinders. See small drawing A for correct position of Parts 15 and 16. Set aside to dry.



### III PAINT ALL DETAILS AS SHOWN AND LET DRY BEFORE ASSEMBLING

Cement Parts 17 and 18 to Part 19 as shown. Be sure that small compression tube on axle is towards rear of assembly. Next cement this assembly into position on fuselage. Locate, DO NOT CEMENT (1) Part 20 on to axle. Be sure wheel rotates freely. Now apply a small drop of cement on axle tip, then place (1) Part 21 on to axle. DO NOT ALLOW cement to touch Part 20 or wheel will not turn. Repeat this procedure with remaining Parts 20 and 21. Apply decals to your model as shown. If you wish to mount your model on the Display Stand, cement Part 22 into slot in the lower wing. You have now completed another famous Revell Authentic Model.

