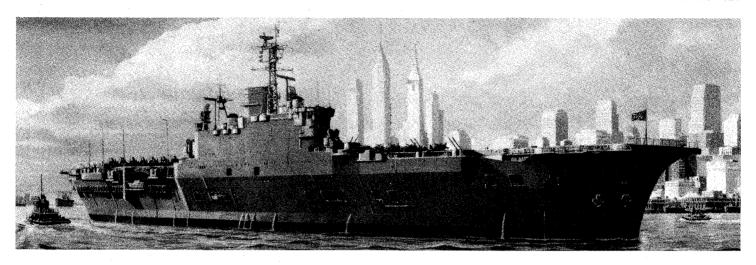
BRITISH AIRCRAFT CARRIER "ARKROYAL"

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1:700 SCALE MODEL KIT

ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

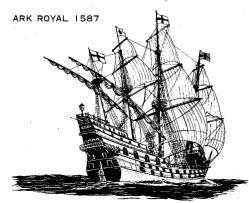
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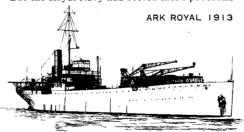


HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

After the second world war, the number of Royal navy aircraft carriers was decreased gradually as well as the battleship and cruisers according to the principle of small warship. One of the reasons is that the Royal Navy didn't make a new ship building plan but only succeeded to the ship building during the war because the post war technical advance needed the much expense to built



those carriers, there was a lot of technical problems to be solved. Natually, a aircraft carrier is the medium for a aircraft to give full play and must be improved its equipment to follow up the ever-progressing aircraft. But the Royal Navy had solved these problems



with their skillful technics and succeeded in the development of aircraft carrier in the atomic age. Specially, the angled deck, the mirror land aid, and the steam catapult, originally British innovations make it possible to launch and recover aircraft simultaneously, accommodate higher landing speeds safely and launch the much heavier aircraft now in operation.

Equipped with all of these modern mechanisms, the Ark Royal became the representative aircraft carrier in the Royal Navy.

Originally, Ark Royal was designed as one

of the four ships of the Audacious class which were ordered on May 19, 1942. The first ship, HMS Audacious was laid down at the Belfast yard of Harlan & Wolff Ltd. on October 24, 1942. The name, Ark Royal was allocated to the second ship of the class. Ark Royal was almost ready for launching at the Birkenhead vard of Cammell Laird & Co., when the war was ended, but work stopped while the recently installed British Lavour Government assessed the country's defence need. Work proceeded slowly, for the British yards were committed to an urgent programme of merchant ship building to replace wartime losses. Not until February 25, 1955 was Ark Royal ready for builders sea trials nearly eleven years after she had been ordered.

SPECIFICATION

STANDARD DISPLACEMENT 43,340 TONS
FULL LOAD DISPLACEMENT 53,340 TONS
MAXIMUM LENGTH 808 FEET
DRAUGHT 36 FEET

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REDUCTION GEARED
TURBINES, 4 SHAFT
HORSE POWER 152,000 S.H.P.
MAXIMUM SPEED 32 KNOTS

MAXIMUM SPEED

MACHINERY

importance to the "quality" more than "quantity" in view of the current retrenchment policy.

At that time, the number of the Royal Navy aircraft carrier was decreased to 15 vessels. Those are 2 Ark Royal class, 3 Centaur class, 1 Hermes class, 2 Hercules class, 6 Glory class and 1 Victorious class. Among

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2 UNITS CANNON 16
6 UNITS M.G. 30
2 UNITS M.G. 4
SINGLE UNIT M.G. 6
AIRCRAFT 80 TO 110
CREW 2.345

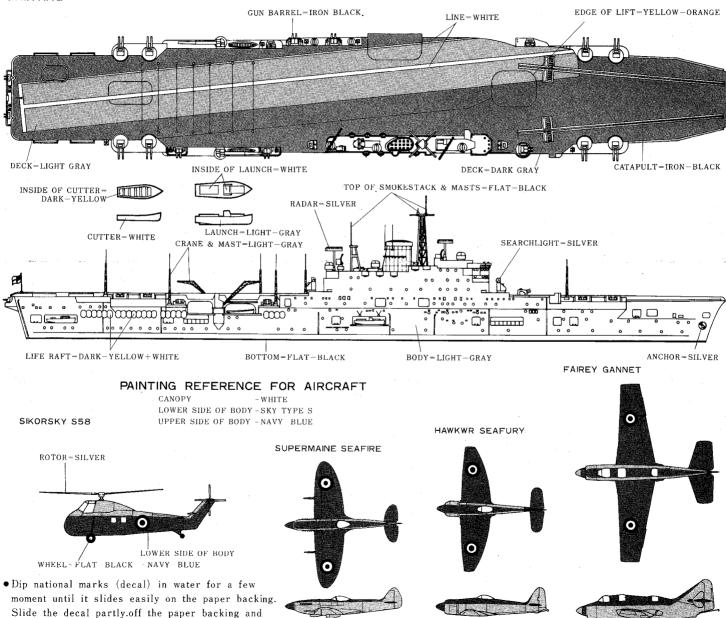
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 CAMMELL LAIRD & CO.

 LAID DOWN
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 LAUNCHED
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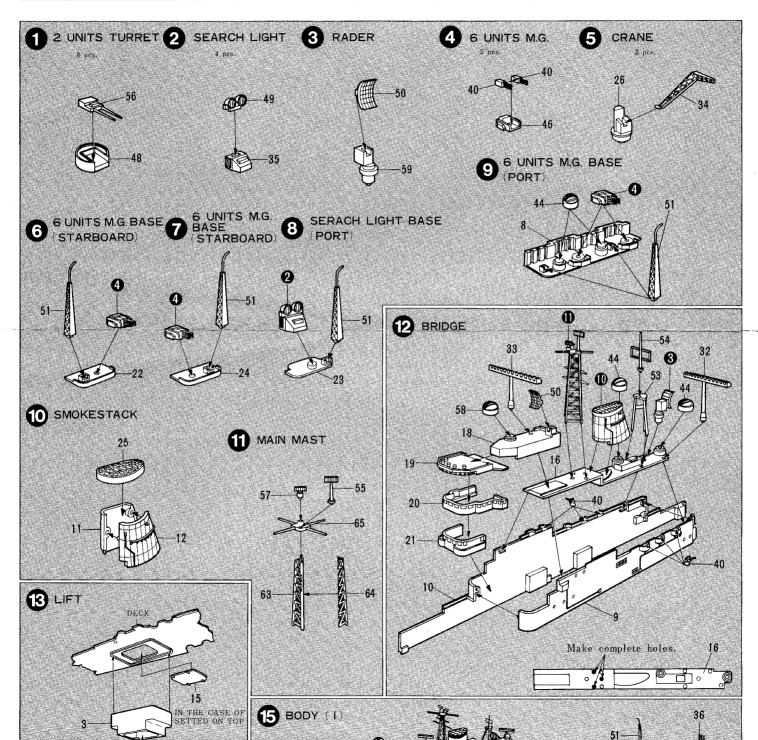
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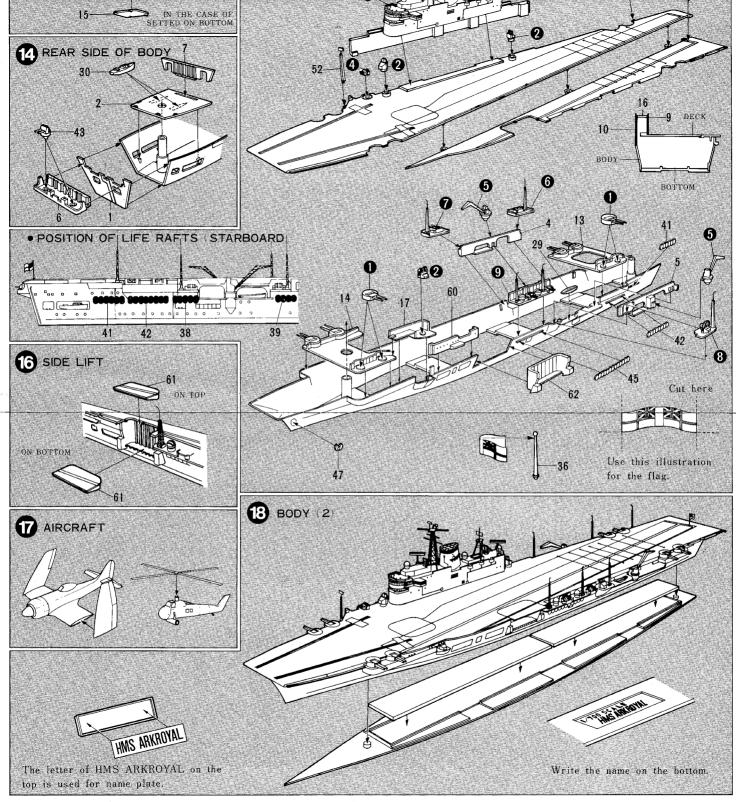
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