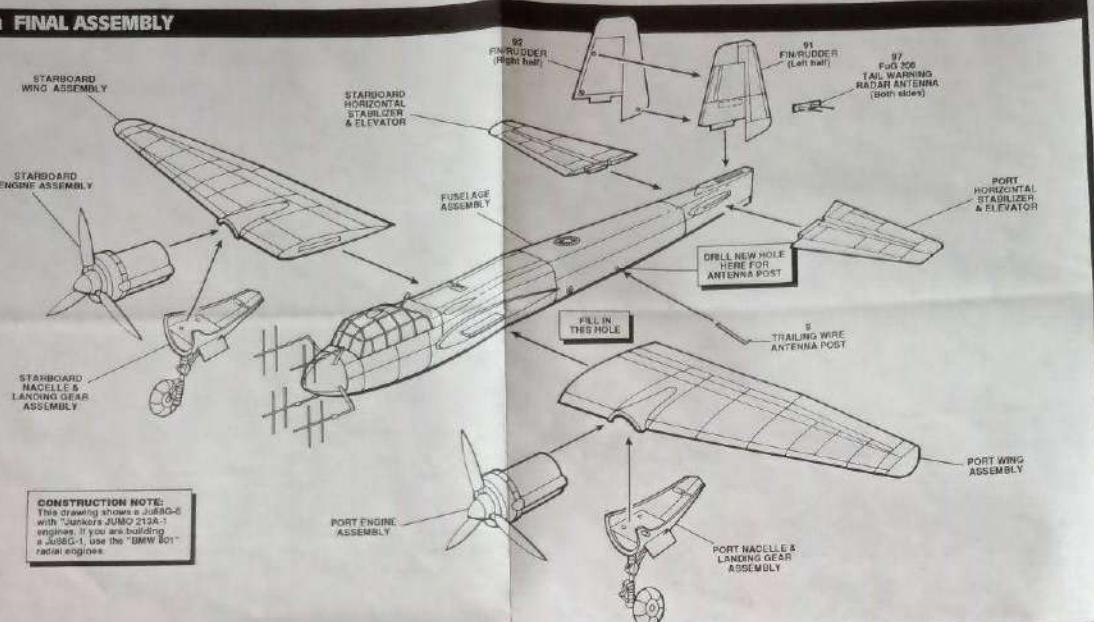


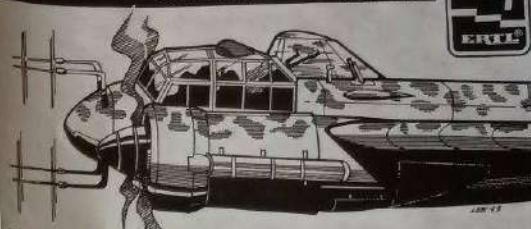
9a FINAL ASSEMBLY



Junkers Ju88G-1/G-6 Nachtjager

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At the height of the big day aircraft, the Ju88 would surely be in it. Thus and again the Ju-88 proved itself to be a solid, reliable, capable night fighter, especially with the result of 100 German aircraft destroyed by the 100th. From mid-1944, the Ju88 was characterized by its "dark" appearance as a result of flying at high altitude over the British night fighters and the typical German practice of shooting the entire crew in the nose of the aircraft.

The AMT kit represents the last of the more-primitive versions, the "G-1", in its two major variations, the "G-1" with the BMW 801 radial engines, and the "G-6" with Jumo 213 inline engines. The "G-1" represented a cleaner, more heavily armed version of the basic aircraft and was primarily intended for the night-fighter mission. In addition to adding the drag-cancelling ventral gondola, a larger vertical stabilizer and longer horizontal stabilizers were added to provide better directional stability.

For armament, four Obus 1000 bombs could be loaded in an under-fuselage pod and an additional two canons were frequently added, striking up out of the nose of the aircraft. In what was called the Schräge Musik or "Jazz Music" installation, the Schräge Musik installation was the Ju-88 could fly in level nose, beneath the British night fighters, and the shadow at outline of the bomber would trigger an electric eye that would fire the gun up into the oncoming bombers. RAF Bomber Command's losses took a major jump when this weapon was installed on them.

For our kit, the Ju-88 is equipped with the FwG 220 nose radar with its characteristic "bulky horn" antenna sticking out of the nose cap. Your kit also comes with the FwG 220 Nasen radar fairing.

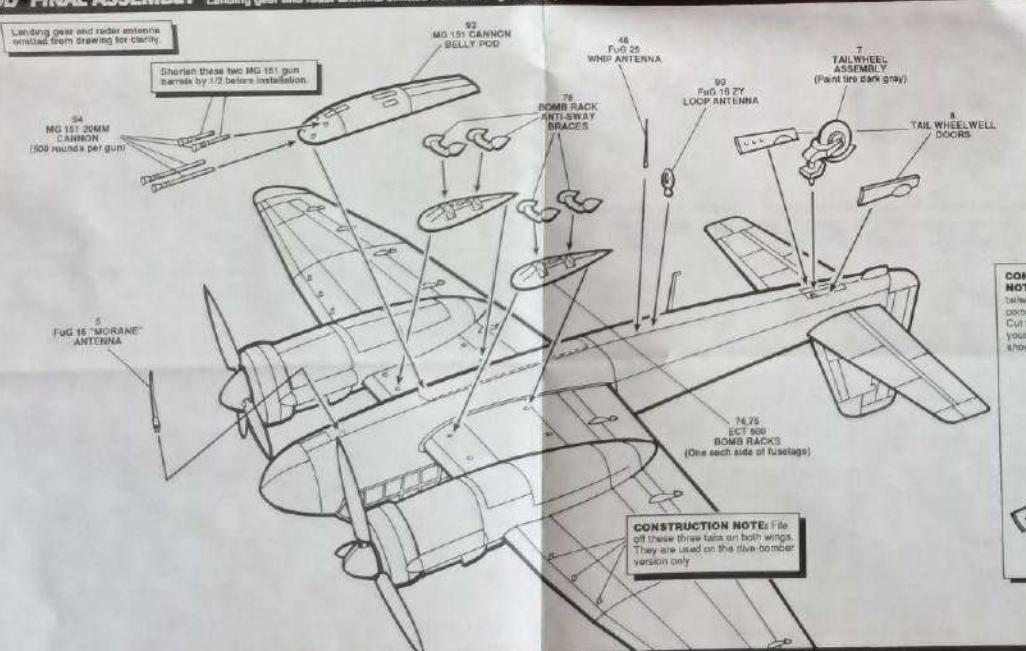
The accompanying markings sheet for the Ju-88G-1, "48+12", represent the best known of all the "G" versions by virtue of the fact that it undoubtedly flew a recent combat sortie on the night of July 13, 1944 and ended up landing by mistake at an RAF base. This aircraft provided the Allies with the most up-to-date intelligence on the German airforce radars. The markings shown for the Ju-88G-1 ship, the "48+12", represent a ship that was assigned to the Gruppenkommandeur of II/JG 3 during early 1945.

REFERENCES: Ju-88 in Action, Parts 1 & 2 by Squadron Signal, Warplanes of the Third Reich by William Green, Famous Aircraft of the World 47-Ju-88

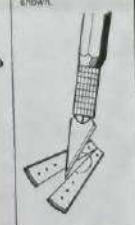
We would like to thank the following people for their assistance in this project: Barry Novak, Alan Griffin, Joanne Relling.

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Landing gear and radar antenna omitted from drawing for clarity



CONSTRUCTION NOTE: The two tailwheel doors, part 8, come joined together. Cut them apart with your model knife as shown.



BUILDING TIPS FOR THE ADVANCED MODELER

For the best possible finish, your kit should be painted, even if painted in color. Paint should be applied evenly, in several thin coats rather than one heavy coat. The first coat should not completely cover the surface. Each layer should be allowed to thoroughly dry before the next is applied. Also, each coat should be "wet sanded," except for the final coat, using 1200 wet or dry sandpaper which is slightly damp. Be careful not to remove any detail while sanding.

It is important to keep your hands clean when working with your model and wash parts thoroughly before painting to remove any mold release agent that may have been used during manufacture, body oil from your hands, sanding residue, and dust, which is naturally attracted to plastic by static electricity. Use a mild solution of dishwashing detergent and water. A tack rag should be used to dry the parts, DO NOT use paper towels or tissues, since they will leave lint on the part.

Parting lines and glue joints should be sanded or filed prior to painting and cementing. Because paint has a tendency to draw away from sharp edges, they should be lightly filed. Use filler putty designed for plastic to fill small gaps that may occur between parts and to blend contours. This should be done only after the first, or "primer," coat of paint is applied.

When painting a two-tone body, the lightest color should be painted first. Use frosted, or "mug," tape to mask off the area you do not want painted. After the second color is dry to the touch, the tape can be removed. Use a very fine brush to touch up edges if necessary. If decals are to be added, wait until after adding any gloss coat. A gloss coat will help even out the edges between the two colors as well as set the details.

IMPORTANT

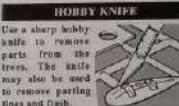
Before you begin to assemble your model kit, study the instructions carefully. This will help you to familiarize yourself with the part locations as you proceed. Prior to cementing parts together, be sure to "TEST FIT" them in order to assure proper alignment and also to check for excess "FLASH" that may occur along parting lines. Use a sharp hobby knife or file to remove flash if necessary.

If you wish to paint your model, various sub-assemblies and components should be painted before any parts are attached. During assembly, you may note that the recommended color is stated after the part name.

This model kit is molded from the finest high-impact styrene plastic. Use only paints and cement which are specifically formulated for styrene. Read all labels and warnings carefully.

Because the cement will only adhere to bare plastic, it is necessary to remove any paint or "plating" from the areas to which the cement is to be applied.

RECOMMENDED TOOLS



TWEZERS

Use tweezers to hold small parts during assembly, painting and when applying cement.

BRUSH

We recommend the use of liquid plasticity or cement. Apply with a fine brush. Use sparingly or a sloppy job will result.

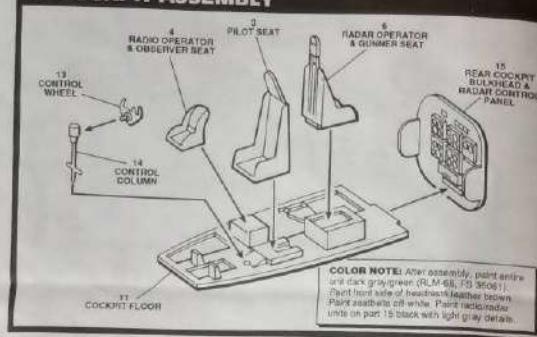
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We take great pride in providing the finest model kits available, giving strong attention to detail and craftsmanship. Should you have any difficulty with assembly or missing parts, please call the appropriate number listed below between the hours of 8:00 am to 4:00 pm central time, Monday through Friday.

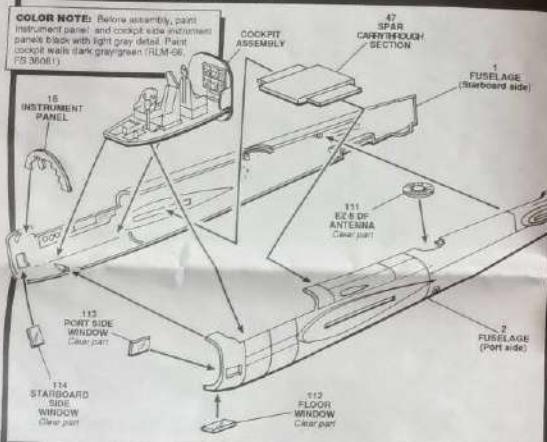
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800-553-4884
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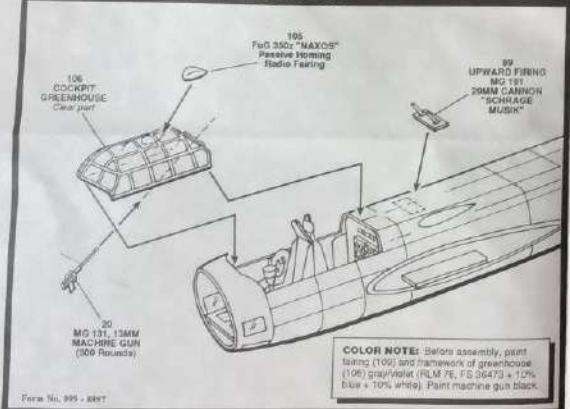
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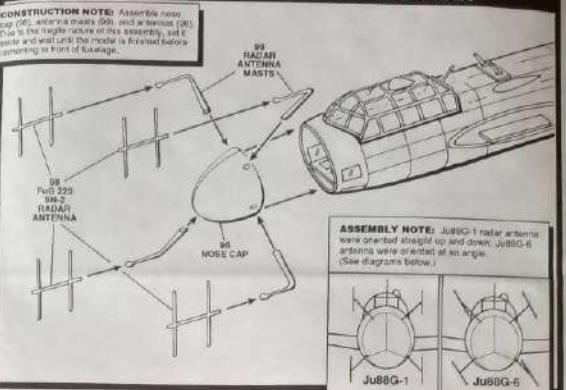
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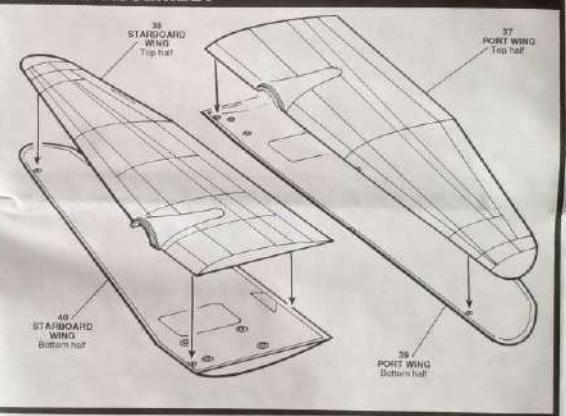
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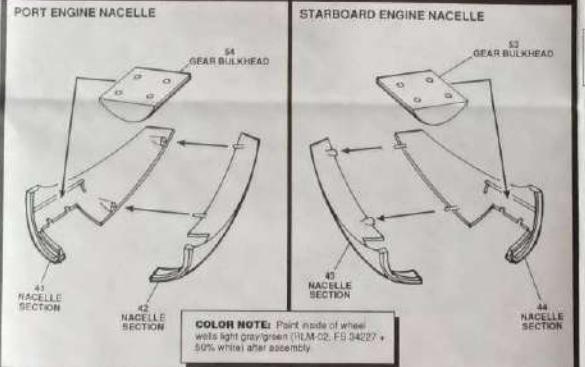
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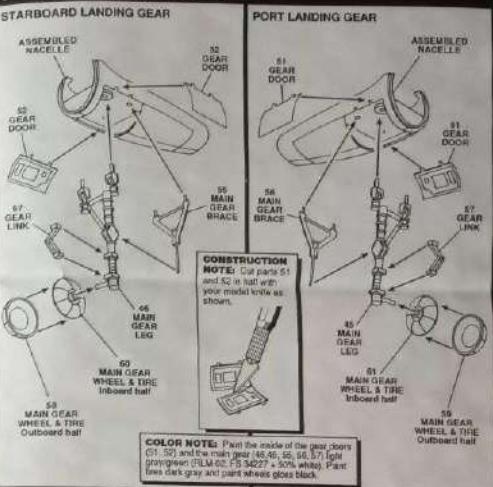
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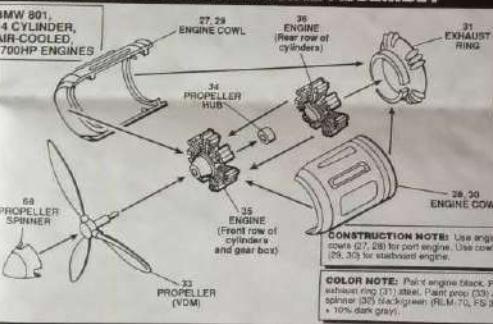
6 ENGINE NACELLES



7 MAIN GEAR ASSEMBLY



8a JU-88C-1 RADIAL ENGINE ASSEMBLY



8b JU-88C-6 INLINE ENGINE ASSEMBLY

