"3-Deck" Akagi Detail Set

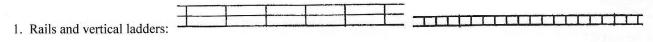
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1/700 SCALE SET #774

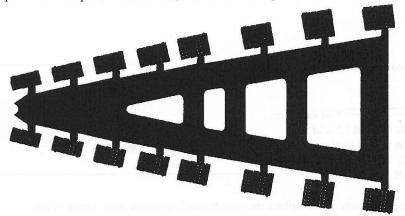
General instructions

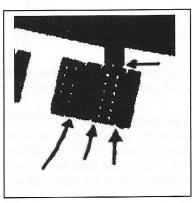
Do not remove any parts from the tree until you are ready to add them to the model or assemble them. If you use an X-Acto blade or comparable to cut the parts off the sheet, it's best to have a hard surface underneath to prevent bending the parts. Cyanoacrylate glues (super glue) or craft glues (such as Aileen's or Gator Glue) may be used to attach or assemble brass parts. Before assembly, wash the parts with a de-greasing soap to facilitate painting. When bending is required, we recommend the modeler use a bending tool such as Hold & Fold provided by The Small Shop or use a sharp-cornered straight-edge such as the X-Acto chisel style blades (#17, 18). Place a flat surface over the part to hold it in place and slip the blade under the part to be bent. This will ensure a good, clean bend. If bent incorrectly, simply turn the piece over and flatten the bend out (brass is very forgiving). Dowels or other forms can be used to mold curves.

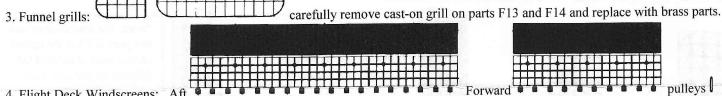
This set is designed specifically for the Hasegawa "Three Flight Deck" Akagi kit. Part numbers are listed where applicable. Special thanks to Martin Quinn for his assistance in developing this set.



2. Lower Flight deck supports: Remove cast-on struts from underneath part D1. Fold each pillar at the arrows into a four-sided box structure (or, to simplify, remove the fourth side which is the back and marked with the longest arrow, and make a three-sided structure). Fold each pillar down 90° from its tab to the main part as shown in the enlargement. Leave the pillars attached to the main part. Once all pillars are formed, attach the entire part to the underside of part D1





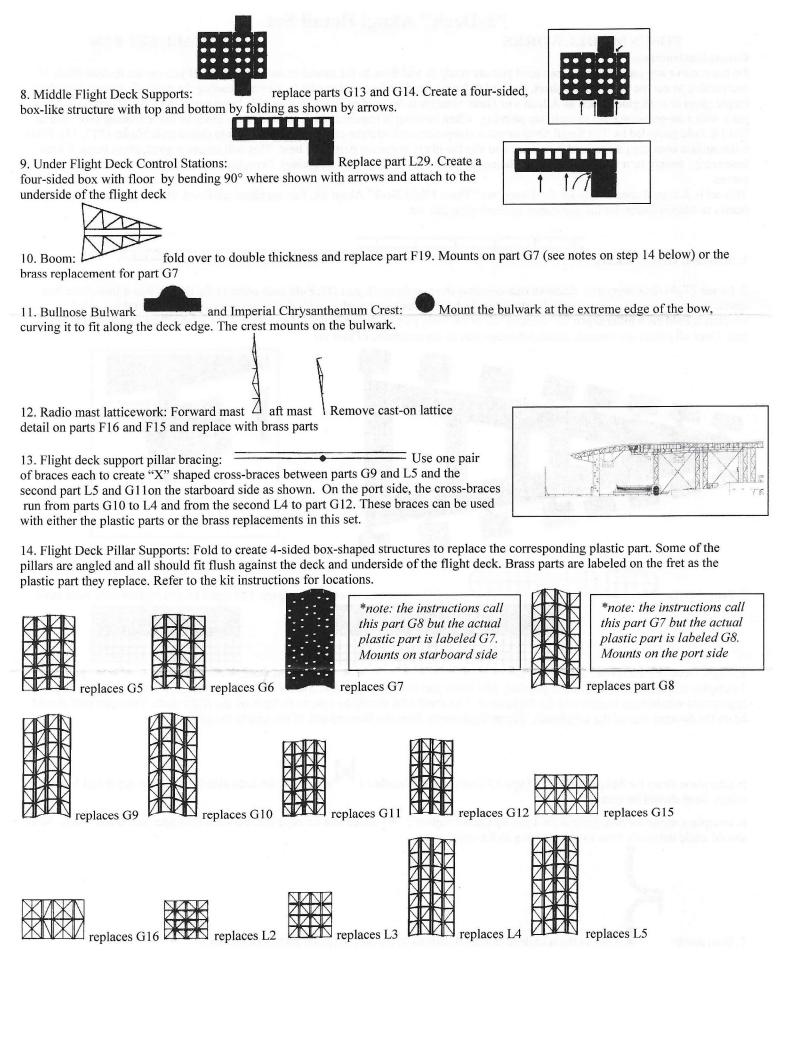


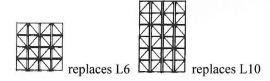
4. Flight Deck Windscreens: Aft pulleys To display windscreens in the raised position, fold brass part in half lengthwise. Mount at a slight aft angle at the front edge of the appropriate windscreen location on the flight deck. The small tabs should be bent to fit flush on the flight deck. The open grill should be on the forward side of the windbreak. The pulleys mount from the forward end of the tabs to the grill.

5. Interplane struts for Mitsubishi B1M Type 13 Carrier attack bomber : Mattach one on each side between the upper and lower wings. Strut should be vertical.

6. Interplane struts for Nakajima A2N Type 90 Carrier fighter: attach one on each side between the upper and lower wings. Strut should angle outwards from the lower wing to the upper wing.

7. Boat davits: Fold in the middle to double thickness of the part. Replace parts L12 and L13.

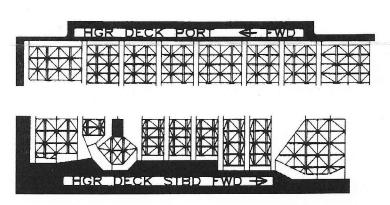


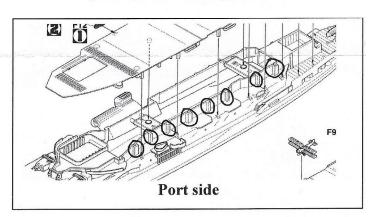


platforms for brass parts G5 and G6. Fold sides down 90° as shown. Bend front "T" down 90° and curve to fit around the edge of the platform. Mount platforms halfway up parts G5 and G6.

16. Middle Flight Deck Supports-Lower Ends: starboard side A1 port side A2 Carefully remove cast-on supports from each side of the hull halves and replace with the respective brass parts.

17. Upper Hanger Deck Flight deck Supports: These parts replace cast-on lattice bracing on the upper hanger section of the hull halves (A1 and A2) as shown at right by the circled areas. Carefully remove the cast-on bracing and replace with brass parts.





These are on the brass fret in the order they are to be mounted on the kit. Generally they are three-sided structures except for the next-to-last brace on part A1 (starboard hull half). This is a lattice-supported platform with a lattice upper section.

