

## 1/72 scale GRUMMAN F4F-4 WILDCAT

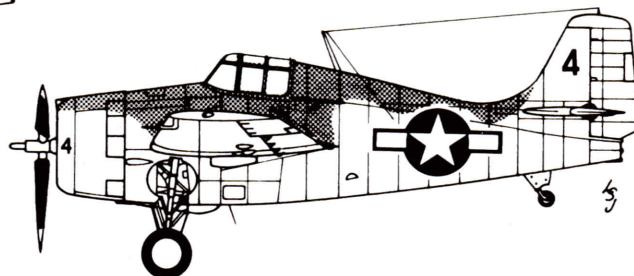
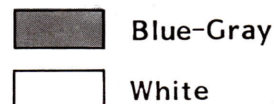
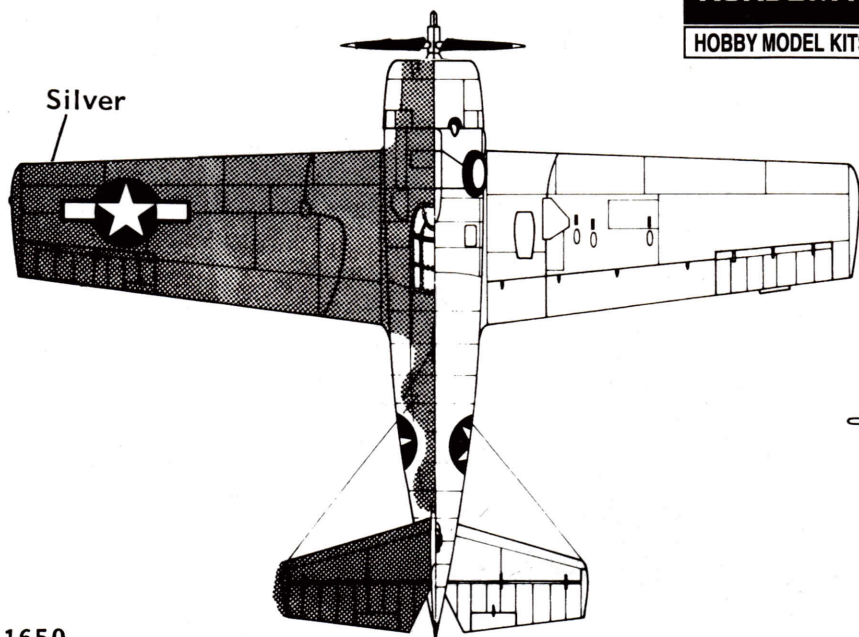
When the Japanese attacked the United States in 1941, the most modern fighter in the Navy was the Grumman F4F Wildcat. Although the Wildcat was small, it was not as fast or maneuverable as the Japanese Zero fighter, but it was a very durable machine. However, in the hands of an experienced pilot, the Wildcat could best the feared Zero and the little Grumman fighter held its own against the enemy until the more powerful Hellcat was available about a year later.

Several Navy pilots became aces in the little Wildcat, among them Lt. "Butch" O'Hare. Other pilots used their F4F's to sink Japanese submarines and one even sent an enemy cruiser to the bottom.

The Wildcat proved itself during the war, and even with the Hellcat entering service, production of the F4F continued, although they were built by General Motors after the middle of 1943. When production ended in 1945, a total of 7,815 of the stubby fighters had been completed.

The Wildcat had a top speed of 320 mph at 18,800 feet. It was armed with six .50 cal machine guns, and could carry bombs and, in later versions, five inch rockets. Your Minicraft Academy model depicts a General Motors Wildcat in the unique gray and white Sea Search color scheme used by patrolling Wildcats in search of enemy shipping.

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25 FEET



Cement Parts  
Coller  
Kleben  
Pegar  
Incollare  
Colar  
Kleven



DO NOT cement  
Ne pas coller  
Nicht kleben  
No pegar  
Non incollare  
Não colar  
Niet kleven



Cut away  
Couper  
Scheiden  
Cortar  
Tagliare  
Cortar  
Snijden



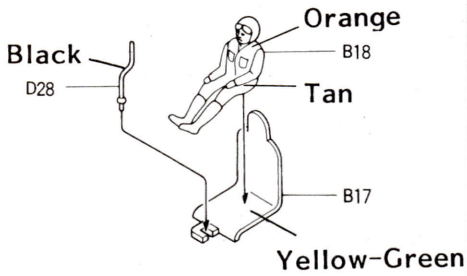
Optional parts  
Choix  
Auswahlmöglichkeit  
Elección  
Scelta  
Opcao  
Keuze



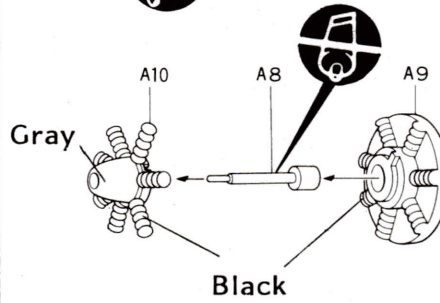
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Repeat operation  
Répéter l'opération  
Vorgang wiederholen  
Repitir la operacion  
Ripetere  
Repitir a operação  
Herhalen

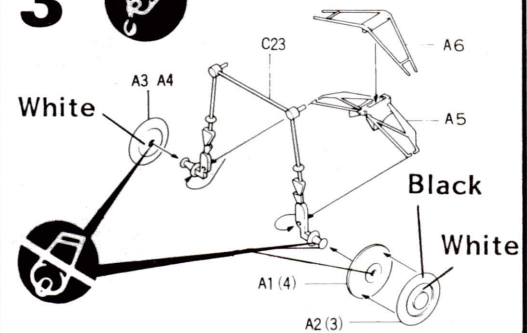
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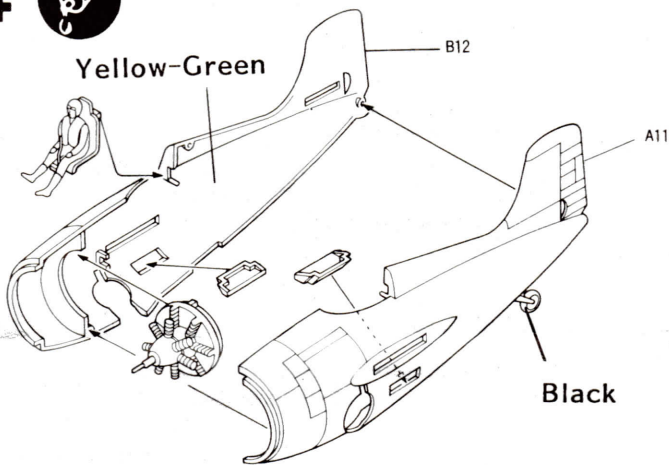
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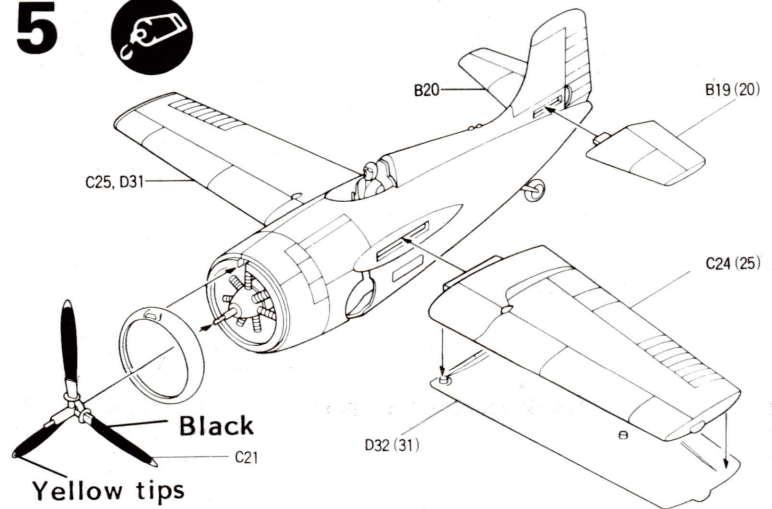
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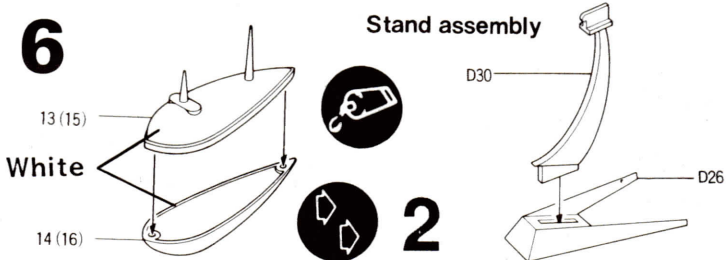
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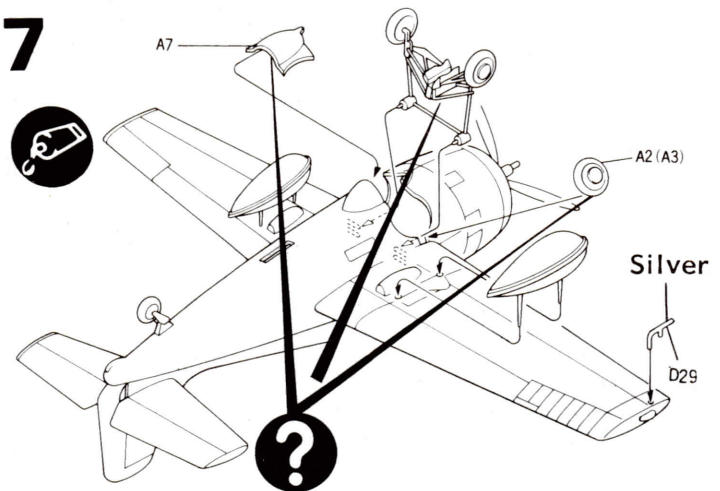
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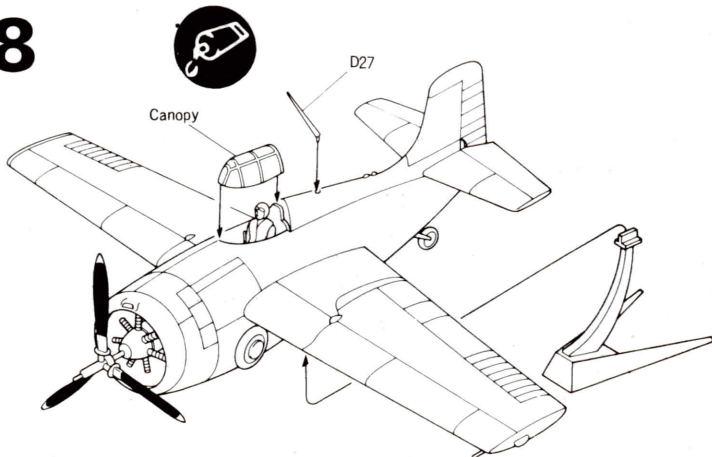
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