

'J' Class Fleet Destroyer Leader

H.M.S. Jervis 1945

Resin & Photo Etched Metal Kit in 1/350 scale

History

HMS Jervis was laid down on 26th August 1937 at Hawthorn Leslie Shipbuilders on Tyneside and launched on 9th September 1938. HMS Jervis was the little known sister ship to HMS Kelly and virtually identical, being built as a Flotilla Leader. She was completed and commissioned on 8th May 1939, just before war broke out, and becameleader of the 7th Destroyer Flotilla based in the Humber under the command of Captain Philip Mack. She spent the first 6 months of her career in home waters sailing in unpleasant weather and after being in collision withSS City of Flint, Jervis spent 3 months being repaired.

In May 1940 HMS Jervis sailed for the Mediterranean to take up position as flagship of the 14th Destroyer Flotilla. During this time HMS Jervis was involved in many operations, including the Battle of Cape Matapan, Battle of the Tarigo Convoy, Battle of Crete, during which her sister Kelly was lost along with many other RN Destroyers. TheSecond Battle of Sirte, Operation Vigorous, Operation Husky, Operation Avalanche, The Dodecanese Campaign, Operation Shingle and Operation Neptune, the D Day landings. InSepember 1944 HMS Jervishad been paid offfor refit and on her return found herself policing the aftermath of WW2 back in the Mediterranean in 1048 charges and used for See Codet training. Later in 1048 charges used for explosive

Mediterranean. In May 1946 Jervis was paid off into reserve and used for Sea Cadet training. Later in 1948 she was used for explosives trails in Loch Sriven before being put on the disposal list and broken up at Troon in September 1949.

HMS Jervise was always considered as being a lucky ship, in direct contrast to her sister HMS Kelly. Jervis had the distinction of not losing one single man to enemy action, though she was always in the thick of it and received her fair share of damage during her service.

Specifications

Length: 356ft 6ins oa. Beam: 35ft 8ins Displacement: 1965 tons standard 2330 tons deep. Speed: 33 knots

Armament: 6 x 4.7inch guns in three twin HA/LA mountings. 10 x 21 inch Torpedoes in two quintuple tubed mounting. 20 Depth Charges fired from 1 x Mk 1 depth charge rail and 2 x Mk 11 depth charge throwers. 1 x 4 barrelled 2 pounder Pom Pom. 4 x 20mm Oerlikons in 2 x Twin Powered Mountings 4 x 20mm Oerlikons in 2 x Twin Manual Mountings



This kit contains a mixture of resin and white metal small parts, of which some of the resin parts have been attached to sprues for ease of casting.

Care must be taken when detaching the parts from the sprues, to remove the flash without causing damage. When cleaning off the excess material using files or abrasive paper, it is recommended that a mask is worn as resin dust can be harmful to health if inhaled.













Assemble photo etched anchors 68 as shown above. Fit anchors into the hawse pipes each side of the bow, after first drilling out the holes with a 1.3mm drill bit.

If the ship is to be modelled as a full hulled exhibit, assemble the running gear components as shown above, using two 22mm lengths of 1mm (40thou) diameter brass or plastic rod.

