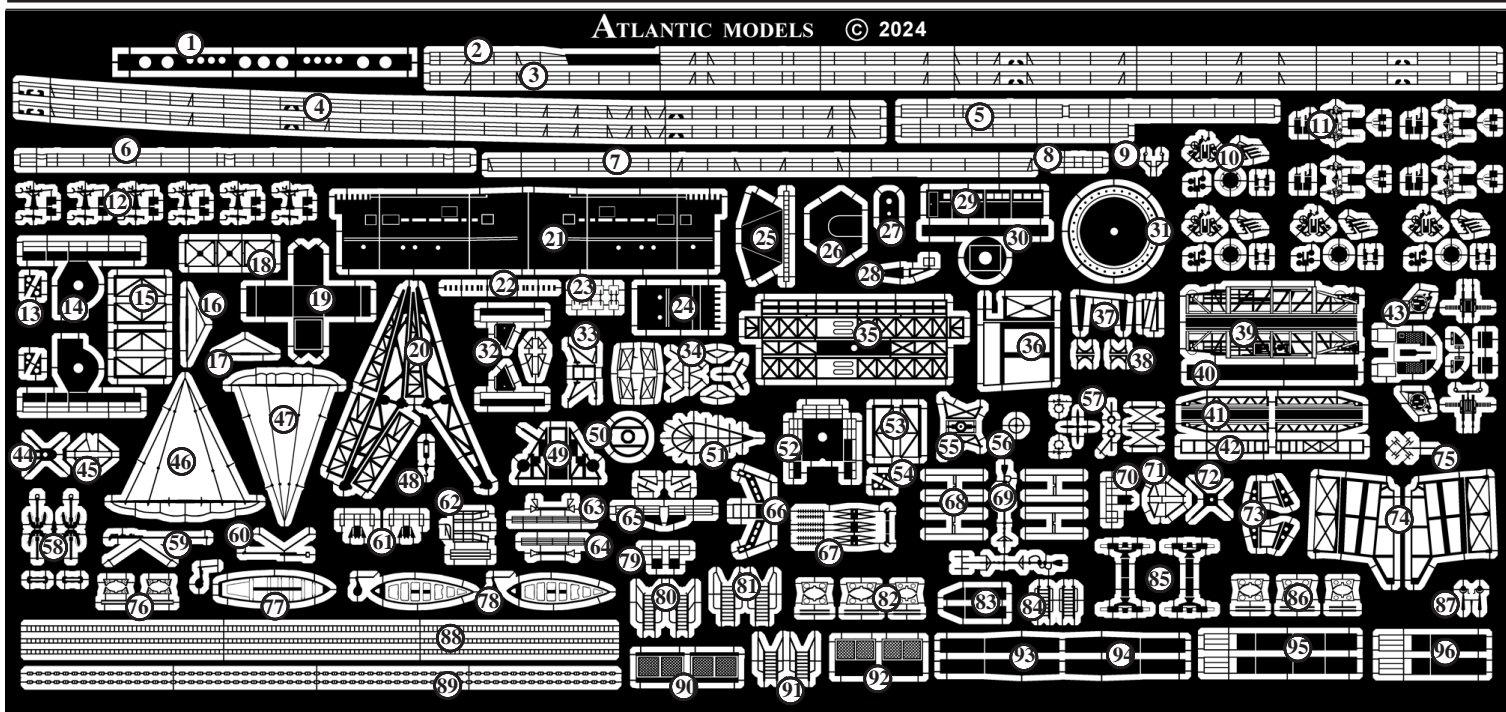


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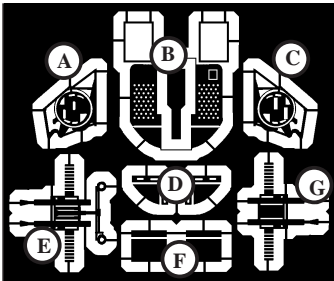


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| 1. Catapult Turntable Support        | 25. Compass Platform Canopy          | 49. Crane Cab Mechanism           | 73. Catapult Turntable Brackets           |
| 2. Railings (Main Deck Stbd)         | 26. Bridge Decking                   | 50. Crane Base Plate              | 74. Aft Boat Trestles                     |
| 3. Railings (Main Deck Port)         | 27. Compass Platform                 | 51. Funnel Cap Grill              | 75. 291 Air Warning Radar Antenna         |
| 4. Railings (Fo'c'sle Deck)          | 28. Fore Mast DF Aerial              | 52. Aft Searchlight Platform      | 76. 32' Cutter Cradles                    |
| 5. Railings (Aft Upper Structure)    | 29. Aft Director House               | 53. Searchlight Platform Supports | 77. 32' Cutter Thwarts & Rudder           |
| 6. Railings (Aft Superstructure)     | 30. Aft AA Platform                  | 54. Searchlight Platform Braces   | 78. 27' Whaler Thwarts and Rudder         |
| 7. Railings (B Gun Deck)             | 31. Catapult Turntable               | 55. Walrus Flying Boat Cradle     | 79. Aft Inclined Ladder Landing           |
| 8. Railings (Fore Mast Starfish)     | 32. Bridge Side Signal Platforms     | 56. Searchlight Lens Cross        | 80. Inclined Ladder(Aft Superstructure)   |
| 9. Funnel Sirens                     | 33. Sea Fox Launch Cradle            | 57. Walrus Flying Boat Fittings   | 81. Inclined Ladder(Fwd Superstructure)   |
| 10. 0.5" Quad Vickers Machine Guns   | 34. Fairey Sea Fox Fittings          | 58. Anchors                       | 82. 36' Motor Boat Cradles                |
| 11. 2 Pdr Single Gun Mounting        | 35. Early Catapult Assembly          | 59. Ensign Staff                  | 83. Aft Superstructure Deck Shields       |
| 12. 20mm Single Oerlikons            | 36. Catapult Port Side Boat Trestle  | 60. Jack Staff                    | 84. Inclined Ladders (Aft Superstructure) |
| 13. Funnel Platform Supports (Outer) | 37. Catapult Stbd Side Boat Supports | 61. Mast Top Radar Platforms      | 85. Bridge Rangefinders                   |
| 14. Funnel Searchlight Platforms     | 38. Stbd Side Boat Cradles           | 62. Depth Charge Rails            | 86. 35' Motor Launch Cradles              |
| 15. Funnel Platform Supports (Inner) | 39. Walrus Flying Boat Catapult      | 63. 284 Gunnery Radar Top Set     | 87. Signal Lamps                          |
| 16. Fore Mast Upper Yard             | 40. Catapult Inner Platform          | 64. 284 Gunnery Radar Front Set   | 88. Vertical Ladder Stock                 |
| 17. Main Mast Upper Yard             | 41. Catapult Sliding Extensions      | 65. Funnel Siren Platforms        | 89. Anchor Chain                          |
| 18. Radar House Support Frame        | 42. Sliding Extension Frames         | 66. Main Director Bracing Frame   | 90. Engine Room Vent Grills               |
| 19. Radar House                      | 43. 2 pdr Quad Pom Pom Mounting      | 67. 285 Fire Control Radar Yagis  | 91. Inclined Ladders (Hull Step)          |
| 20. Crane Jib Assembly               | 44. Fore Mast Starfish               | 68. 279 Air Warning Radar Antenna | 92. Boiler Room Vent Grills               |
| 21. Replacement Bridge Structure     | 45. Fore Mast Starfish Supports      | 69. 279 Air Warning Radar Pole    | 93. Splinter Shields (Aft 4" Gun)         |
| 22. Bridge Venturi Shroud            | 46. Fore Mast Lower Yardarm Rigging  | 70. Main Mast Radar Platform      | 94. Splinter Shields (Fwd 4" Gun)         |
| 23. Bridge Side Hatches              | 47. Main Mast Lower Yardarm Rigging  | 71. Main Mast Starfish Supports   | 95. Splinter Shields (Aft 4" Gun Early)   |
| 24. Bridge Front Panel               | 48. Crane Hook                       | 72. Main Mast Starfish            | 96. Splinter Shields (Fwd 4" Gun Early)   |

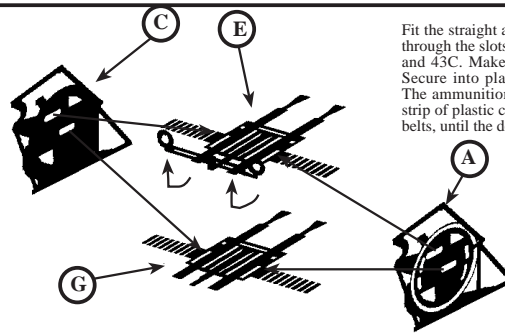
General Instructions

- Do not remove the etched parts from the fret until you are ready to use them.
- Before assembly, soak the etched parts in a suitable solvent, such as white spirit, to de-grease the surfaces for painting. It is recommended that the entire fret be primed with an acrylic automotive primer, such as Halfords Grey Primer before assembling any of the parts.
- Cyanoacrylate adhesive (Super glue) or contact adhesive such as a white PVA glue may be used. These can be applied with a pin or piece of stretched sprue.
- When removing parts from the fret, place the fret on a hard surface, such as a smooth ceramic tile, in order to prevent parts bending whilst cutting through the holding tabs. It is suggested that a No.10 rounded type of modelling knife blade is used for this purpose.
- When shaping or bending a part, a straight edged blade such as a chisel blade will give a good sharp corner, or alternatively an Atlantic Models Folding Tool ATT 01 or ATT 02 may be found to be useful.
- If a part is bent incorrectly, lay it on a hard flat surface and roll it flat with a cylindrical object such as a modelling knife handle.

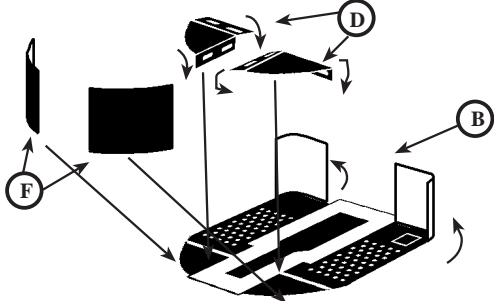
## 4 Barrelled Pom Pom Assembly



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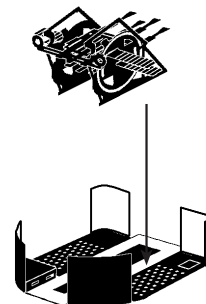


Fit the straight ammunition belts on etched parts 43E and 43G through the slots on the side mounting panels, etched parts 43A and 43C. Make sure that 43E is fitted into the top position. Secure into place then fold the sight bar on 43E up to 90°. The ammunition boxes may be given more depth by fixing a strip of plastic card to the underside of each of the ammunition belts, until the desired depth is achieved.

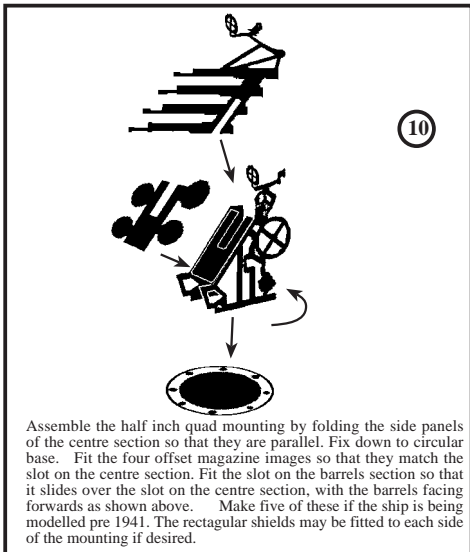


Fold the front splinter shields on the foot plate, etched part 43B, up to 90°, then curve the outer edges around the edge of the foot plate. Fold the rectangular edges of etched parts 43D down to 90° and fit to the rear of the footplate as shown left. Gently curve the rear splinter shields, etched parts 50F, so that they fit onto the rear of the foot plate.

Fit the assembled gun mounting centrally to the forward area of the foot plate, using the relief etched markings as a location guide. This assembly directly replaces the catapult on the turntable for a later refit version when the aircraft was removed.



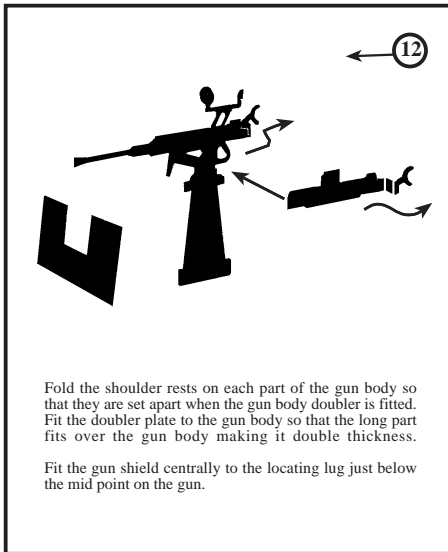
### 0.5" Quad Vickers Machine Gun



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Assemble the half inch quad mounting by folding the side panels of the centre section so that they are parallel. Fix down to circular base. Fit the four offset magazine images so that they match the slot on the centre section. Fit the slot on the barrels section so that it slides over the slot on the centre section, with the barrels facing forwards as shown above. Make five of these if the ship is being modelled pre 1941. The rectangular shields may be fitted to each side of the mounting if desired.

### 20mm Single Oerlikon

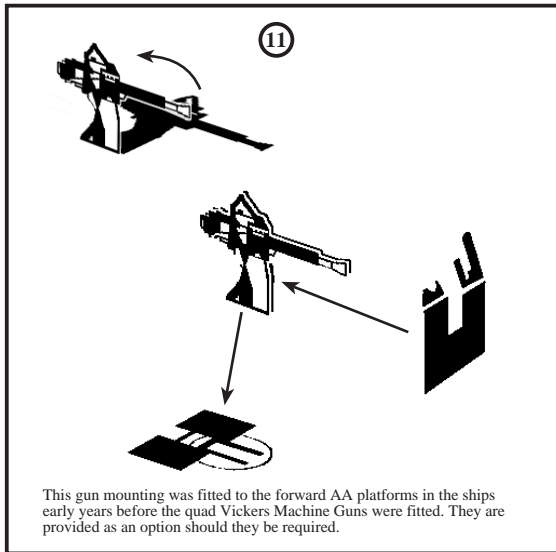


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Fold the shoulder rests on each part of the gun body so that they are set apart when the gun body doubler is fitted. Fit the doubler plate to the gun body so that the long part fits over the gun body making it double thickness.

Fit the gun shield centrally to the locating lug just below the mid point on the gun.

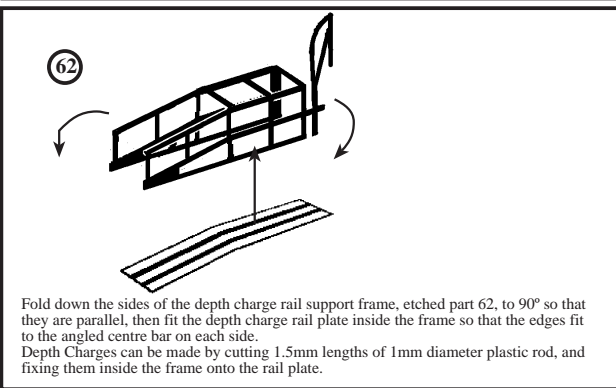
### 2 Pounder Single



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This gun mounting was fitted to the forward AA platforms in the ships early years before the quad Vickers Machine Guns were fitted. They are provided as an option should they be required.

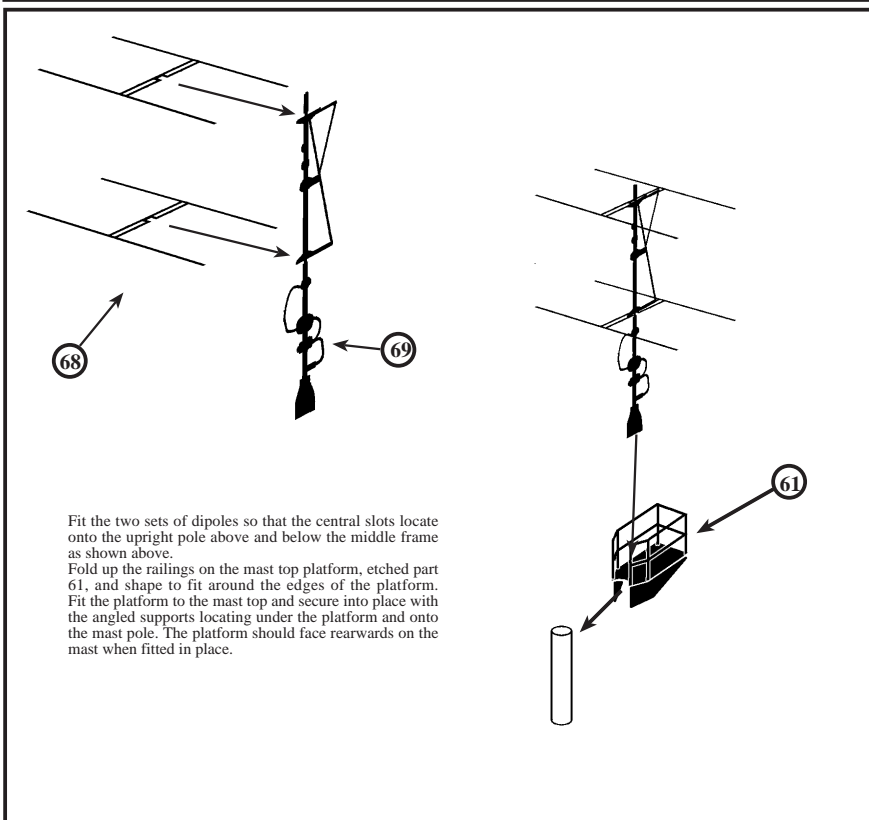
### Depth Charge Rail Assembly



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Fold down the sides of the depth charge rail support frame, etched part 62, to 90° so that they are parallel, then fit the depth charge rail plate inside the frame so that the edges fit to the angled centre bar on each side. Depth Charges can be made by cutting 1.5mm lengths of 1mm diameter plastic rod, and fixing them inside the frame onto the rail plate.

### 279 Radar Antenna Assembly



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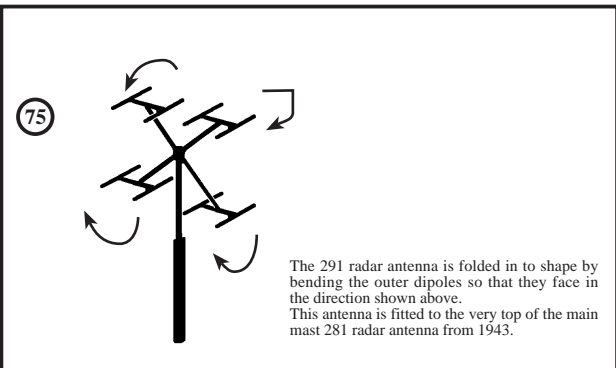
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Fit the two sets of dipoles so that the central slots locate onto the upright pole above and below the middle frame as shown above.

Fold up the railings on the mast top platform, etched part 61, and shape to fit around the edges of the platform. Fit the platform to the mast top and secure into place with the angled supports locating under the platform and onto the mast pole. The platform should face rearwards on the mast when fitted in place.

### 291 Radar Antenna Assembly

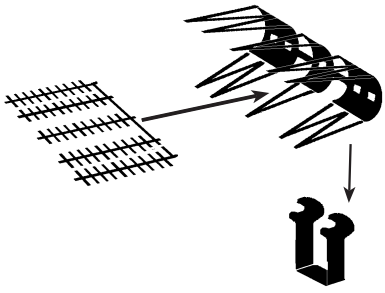


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The 291 radar antenna is folded in to shape by bending the outer dipoles so that they face in the direction shown above. This antenna is fitted to the very top of the main mast 281 radar antenna from 1943.

### 285 AA Radar Yagi Antenna Assembly

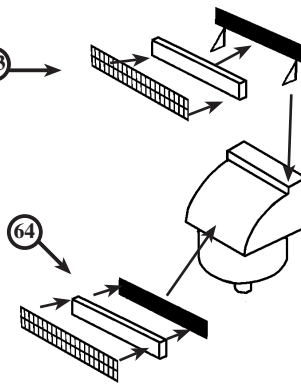
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Assemble the 285 Fire Control antenna by folding a gentle curve on to the rectangular reflectors then folding over the stays so that they face forwards. Fit the set of dipoles centrally on to the reflector faces, locating the pegs into the slots. Nip the pointed ends of the stays together so that they trap the centre bar of the dipoles between them. Fit the mounting arms to the spindles between the reflectors. The complete assembly then fits on to the top of the HACs Director, kit part 74 in the ships early fit.

### 284 Gunnery Radar Assembly

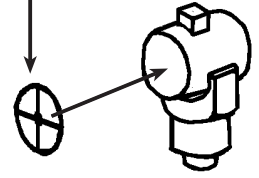
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Twist the angular legs on the top backplate around to 90° and fit to the top of the forward main director, kit parts 73. The radar antenna can be given depth by fitting a length of plastic strip between the front and backplates of the antennas.

### Searchlight Lens Fitting

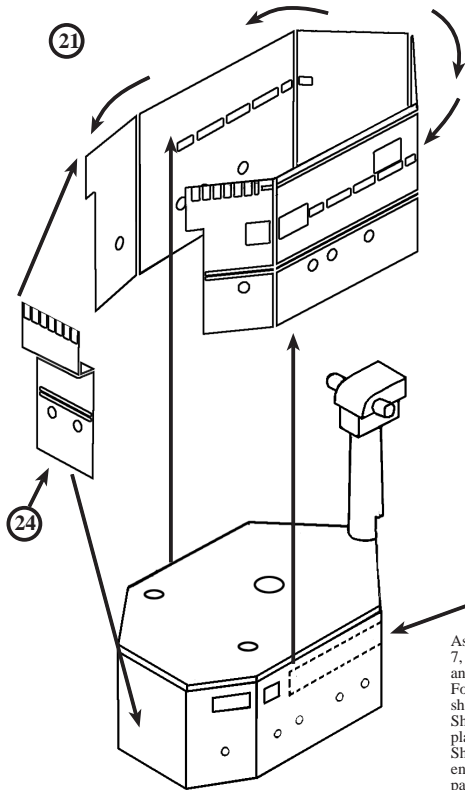
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The searchlight lens cross may be fitted to kit parts 70, after first drilling out the front of the searchlight to give the lens depth.

### Bridge Upgrade Parts Assembly

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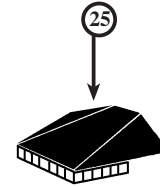
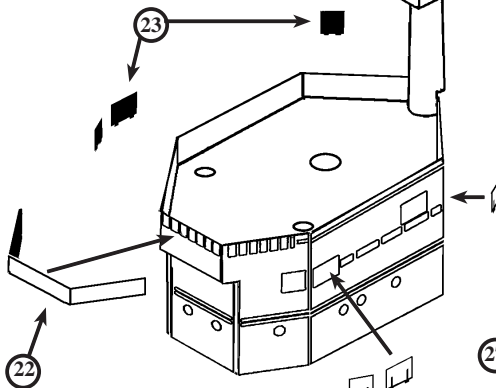
Cut an opening in both sides as shown by the dashed lines

Assemble the bridge superstructure according to the kits instructions, using the kit parts, 7, 8 and 9. Remove the raised bulwarks from around the bridge deck and smooth off any raised detail from the sides and front of the structure. Fold etched part 21 so that it wraps around the outside of the kit superstructure parts as shown left. Secure into place. Shape and fit the front panel, etched part 24, to the front of the bridge and secure into place attaching the upper edges to the side panels. Shape and fit the venturi duct plate, etched part 22 to the outside of the bridge front, ensuring the raised etched detail on the inside, lines up with that on the bridge front panel. Fit the hatch plates, etched parts 23, to the raised etched rectangles on the sides of the superstructure.

Fit the bridge deck plate, etched part 26, to the forward part of the bridge deck as shown below, then fit the Compass Platform, etched part 27, to the etched outline on part 26.

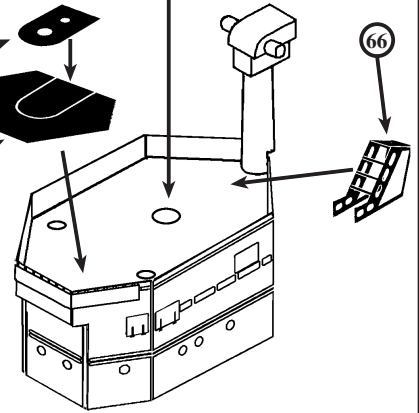
Shape and fit the Bridge Canopy, etched part 25, so that the lower edge of the windscreen frame fits along the inner edge of the bridge venturi. Shape and fit the HACs Tower Support, etched part 66, to the front of the HACs tower, so that the short front extensions locate against the base of the main director.

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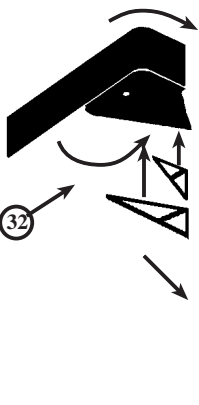
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### Bridge Signal Lamp Platforms

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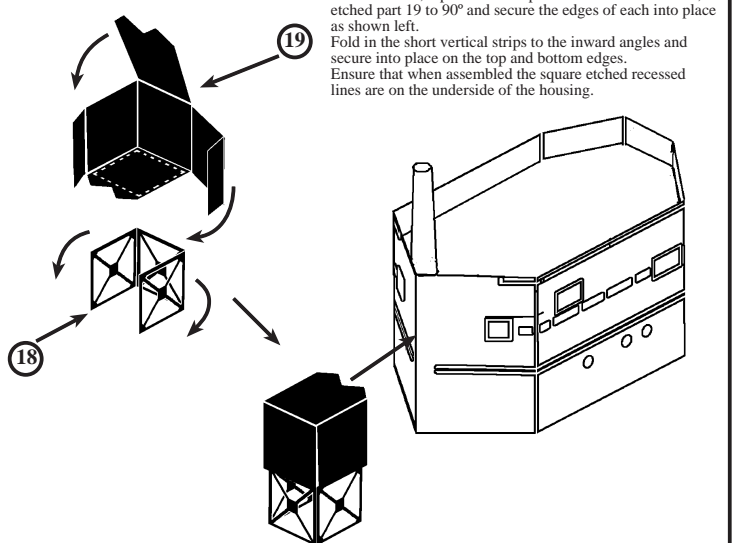


Shape the two Signal Platforms, etched parts 32, by folding the bulwarks up to 90° and folding them around to take the shape of edges of the deck. The etched detail should be outermost when complete and secured into place. Fit to the sides of the bridge superstructure as shown below, then fit the angled supports to the undersides of the platforms.

Signal Lamps, etched parts 87, may now be fitted centrally to these platforms.

### Radar Office Assembly

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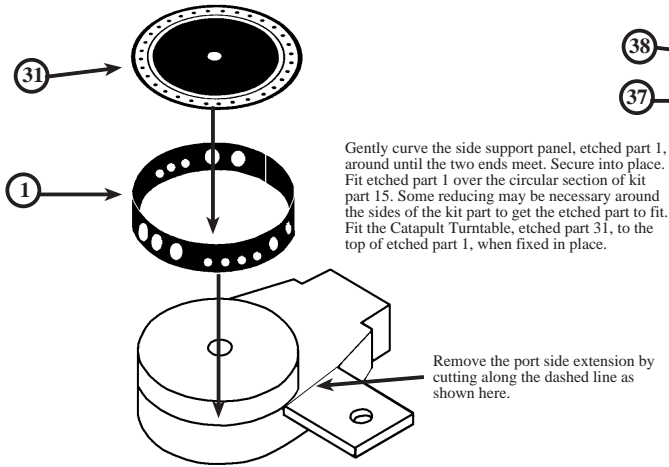
Fold the sides, top and bottom panels of the Radar Office, etched part 19 to 90° and secure the edges of each into place as shown left.

Fold in the short vertical strips to the inward angles and secure into place on the top and bottom edges. Ensure that when assembled the square etched recessed lines are on the underside of the housing.

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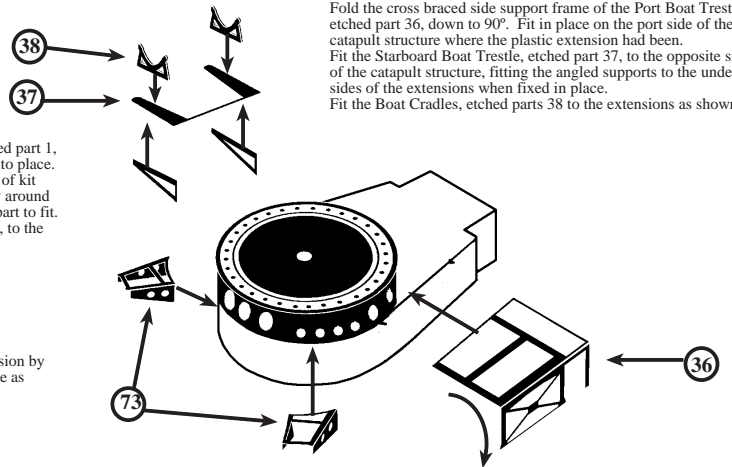
Fold the two side frames of etched part 18 to 90° so that they are parallel, then fit to the etched lines on the underside of etched part 19. Fit the complete assembly to the rear of the bridge superstructure, with the lattice support structure fixed on the deck, forward of the Fore Mast.

## Aircraft Catapult Turntable and Boat Trestle Assembly



Gently curve the side support panel, etched part 1, around until the two ends meet. Secure into place. Fit etched part 1 over the circular section of kit part 15. Some reducing may be necessary around the sides of the kit part to get the etched part to fit. Fit the Catapult Turntable, etched part 31, to the top of etched part 1, when fixed in place.

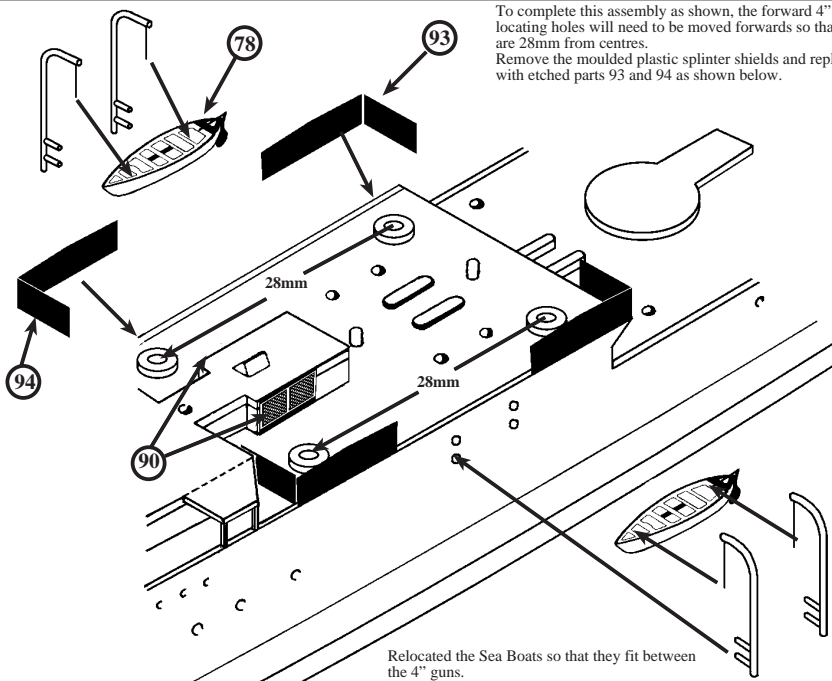
Remove the port side extension by cutting along the dashed line as shown here.



Fold the cross braced side support frame of the Port Boat Trestle, etched part 36, down to 90°. Fit in place on the port side of the catapult structure where the plastic extension had been. Fit the Starboard Boat Trestle, etched part 37, to the opposite side of the catapult structure, fitting the angled supports to the under sides of the extensions when fixed in place. Fit the Boat Cradles, etched parts 38 to the extensions as shown left.

Shape the Turntable Brackets, etched parts 73, as shown and fit to the forward quarters of the catapult structure as shown above.

## Sea Boat and 4" Gun Shield Assembly

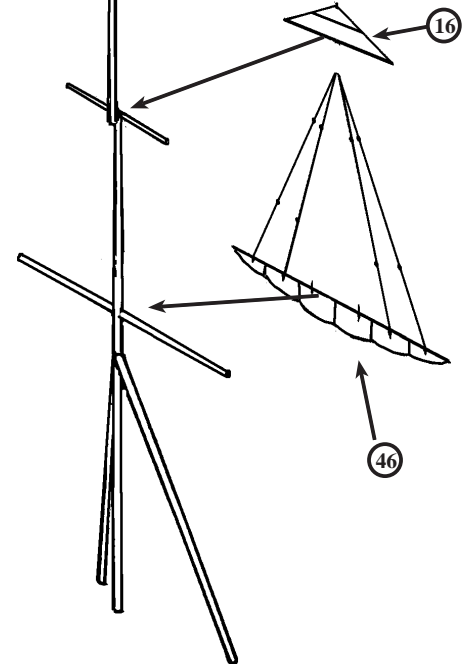


To complete this assembly as shown, the forward 4" gun locating holes will need to be moved forwards so that they are 28mm from centres. Remove the moulded plastic splinter shields and replace with etched parts 93 and 94 as shown below.

Relocated the Sea Boats so that they fit between the 4" guns.

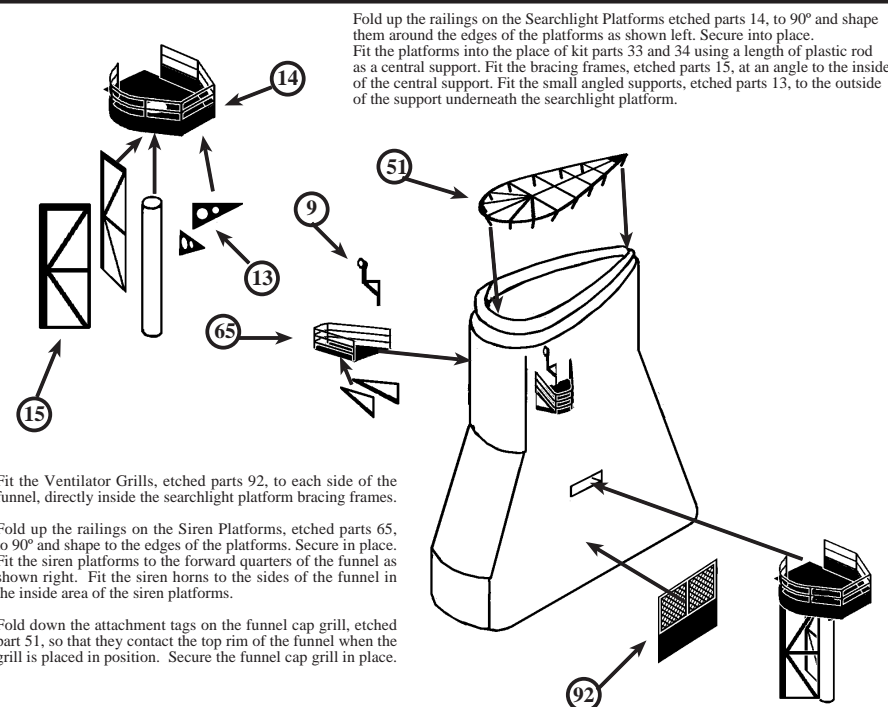
## Kit Mast Rigging Assembly

If the kit masts are to be used, then fit the rigging and foot ropes as shown here.



Fit the Yardarm Footropes and rigging, etched part 46 to the Foremast Lower Yardarm on kit part 76 as shown above. Fit the Upper Rigging, etched part 16, to the Upper Yardarm.

## Funnel Fittings and Searchlight Platforms

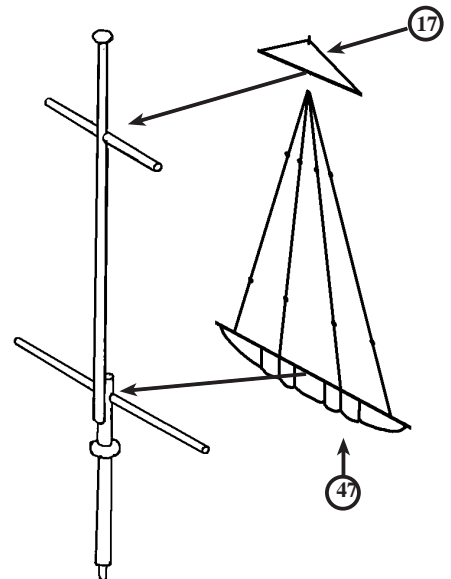


Fold up the railings on the Searchlight Platforms etched parts 14, to 90° and shape them around the edges of the platforms as shown left. Secure into place. Fit the platforms into the place of kit parts 33 and 34 using a length of plastic rod as a central support. Fit the bracing frames, etched parts 15, at an angle to the inside of the central support. Fit the small angled supports, etched parts 13, to the outside of the support underneath the searchlight platform.

Fit the Ventilator Grills, etched parts 92, to each side of the funnel, directly inside the searchlight platform bracing frames.

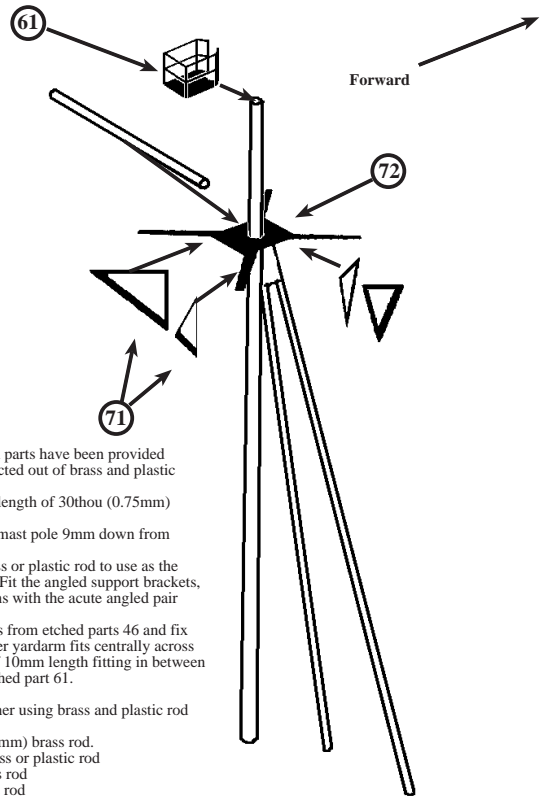
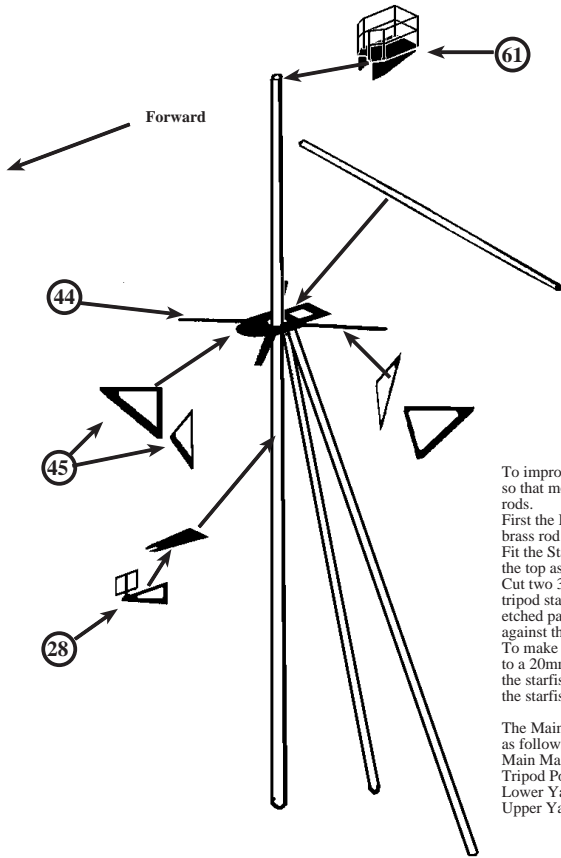
Fold up the railings on the Siren Platforms, etched parts 65, to 90° and shape to the edges of the platforms. Secure in place. Fit the siren platforms to the forward quarters of the funnel as shown right. Fit the siren horns to the sides of the funnel in the inside area of the siren platforms.

Fold down the attachment tags on the funnel cap grill, etched part 51, so that they contact the top rim of the funnel when the grill is placed in position. Secure the funnel cap grill in place.



Fit the Yardarm Footropes and rigging, etched part 47 to the Mainmast Lower Yardarm on kit part 68 as shown above. Fit the Upper Rigging, etched part 17, to the Upper Yardarm.

## Fore Mast and Main Mast 1941 Upgrade Parts



To improve the appearance of the masts, etched parts have been provided so that more accurate examples may be constructed out of brass and plastic rods.

First the Fore Mast pole is made from a 40mm length of 30thou (0.75mm) brass rod that may be tapered towards the top.

Fit the Starfish Platform, etched part 44, to the mast pole 9mm down from the top as shown left and secure into place.

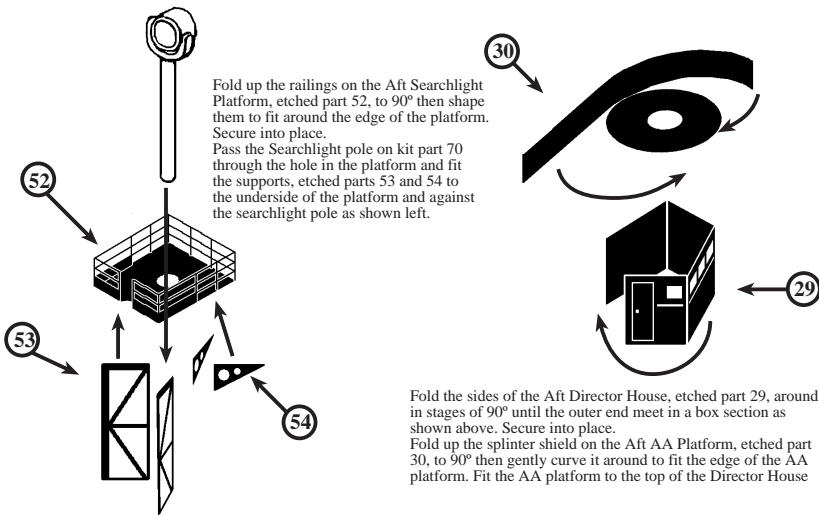
Cut two 35mm lengths of 20 thou (0.5mm) brass or plastic rod to use as the tripod stays and fit into position as shown left. Fit the angled support brackets, etched parts 45 into place under the starfish arms with the acute angled pair against the tripod poles.

To make the yardarms, cut the footrope sections from etched parts 46 and fix to a 20mm length of 20thou brass rod. The lower yardarm fits centrally across the starfish platform, with the upper yardarm of 10mm length fitting in between the starfish and the mast top radar platform, etched part 61.

The Main Mast is constructed in the same manner using brass and plastic rod as follows.

Main Mast Pole = 33m length of 30 thou (0.75mm) brass rod.  
 Tripod Poles = 2 x 30mm lengths of 20thou brass or plastic rod  
 Lower Yardarm = 15mm length of 20thou brass rod  
 Upper Yardarm = 10mm length of 20thou brass rod

### Aft Searchlight Platform and Gun Director House Assembly



Fold up the railings on the Aft Searchlight Platform, etched part 52, to 90° then shape them to fit around the edge of the platform. Secure into place.

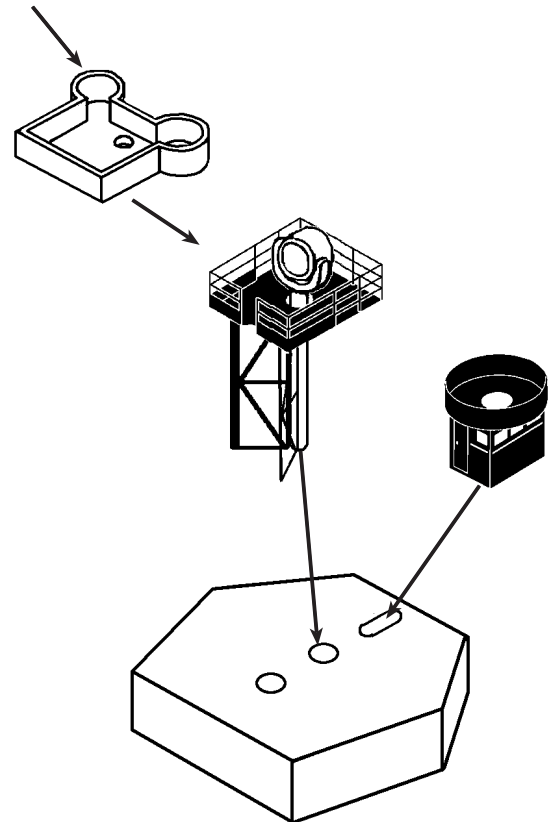
Pass the Searchlight pole on kit part 70 through the hole in the platform and fit the supports, etched parts 53 and 54 to the underside of the platform and against the searchlight pole as shown left.

Fold the sides of the Aft Director House, etched part 29, around in stages of 90° until the outer end meet in a box section as shown above. Secure into place.

Fold up the splinter shield on the Aft AA Platform, etched part 30, to 90° then gently curve it around to fit the edge of the AA platform. Fit the AA platform to the top of the Director House

### Aft Platform and Director House Location

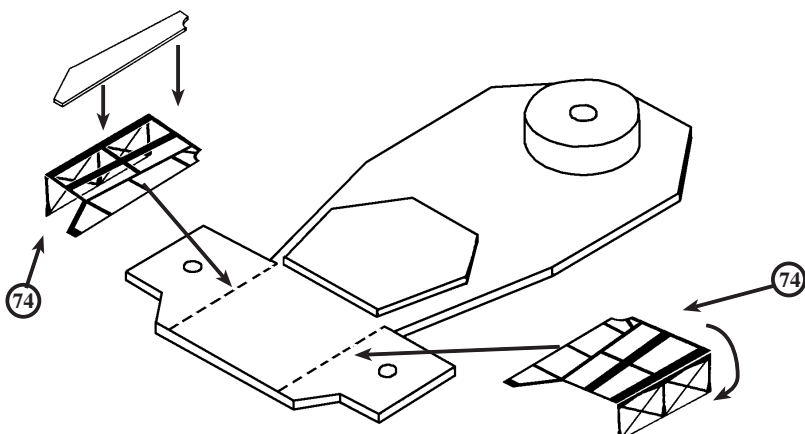
The Searchlight Platform, etched part 52 has been supplied as an alternative to the kit part 69, which may be assembled with etched parts 53 and 54 in the same way if this is desired.



Fit the Aft Searchlight Platform Assembly to the top of kit part 11, Upper Aft Superstructure. This locates against the Main Mast pole with the mast pole passing through the cutout in the front of the Searchlight Platform.

Fit the Director House and AA Platform Assembly in the place of kit part 66.

### Aft Boat Trestle Assembly and Location



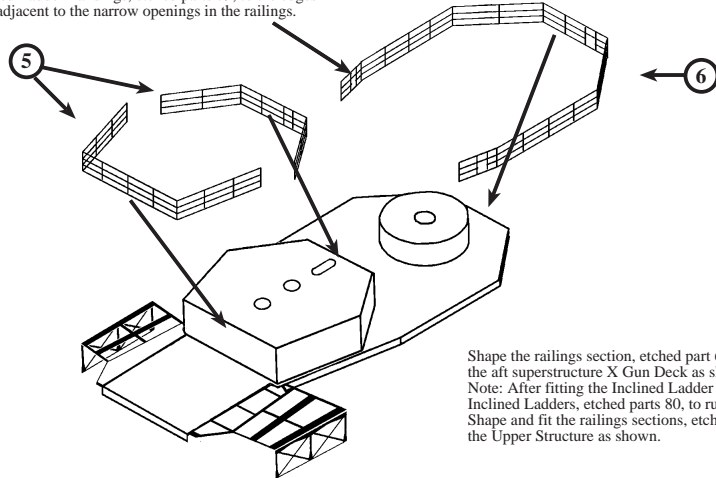
Remove the moulded plastic boat trestle platforms from kit part 5 but cutting along the dashed lines shown above.

Fold down the cross braced sections on the replacement Boat Trestles, etched parts 74, to 90°.

Fit into place along the line vacated by the plastic kit parts as shown above.

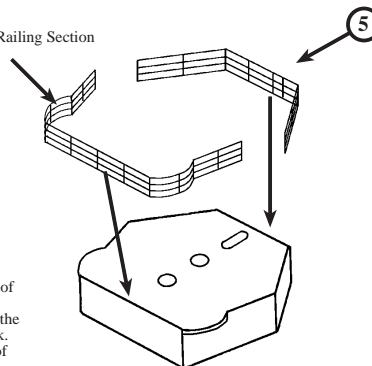
## Aft Superstructure Railing Location

Fit the Inclined Ladder Landings, etched parts 79, to the edges of the deck, adjacent to the narrow openings in the railings.



An alternative section of railing has been provided in etched parts 5, to allow the modeller to fit the curved deck extensions, shown below, that allow extra quad 0.5" Machine guns mountings to be fitted at that place.

Alternative Railing Section

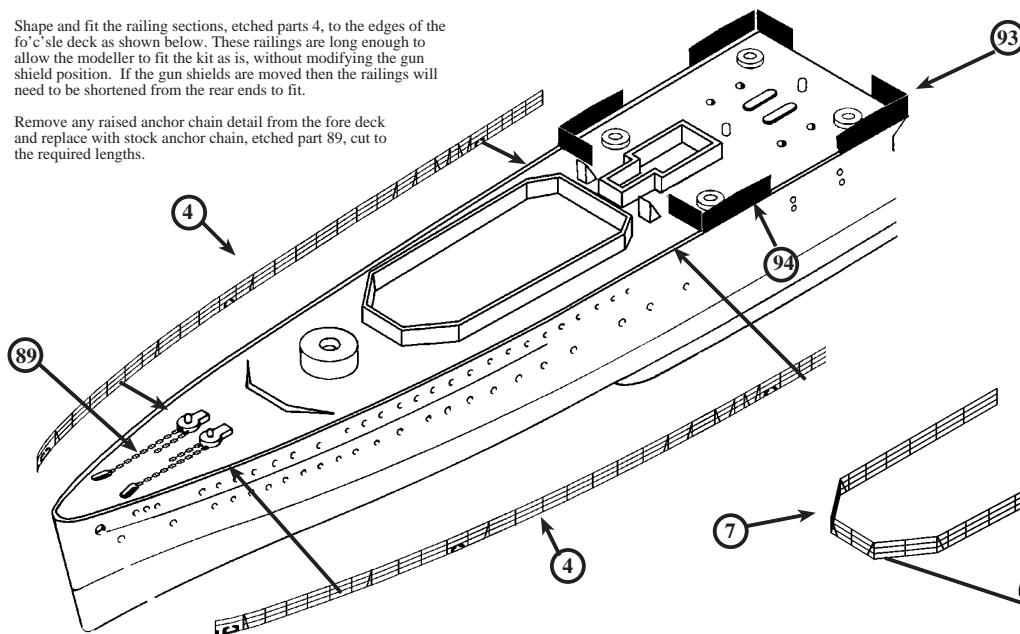


Shape the railings section, etched part 6, to fit around the edge of the aft superstructure X Gun Deck as shown above.  
 Note: After fitting the Inclined Ladder Landings, shape and fit the Inclined Ladders, etched parts 80, to run up from the main deck. Shape and fit the railings sections, etched parts 5 to the edges of the Upper Structure as shown.

## Fo'c'sle and Forward Superstructure Railing Location

Shape and fit the railing sections, etched parts 4, to the edges of the fo'c'sle deck as shown below. These railings are long enough to allow the modeller to fit the kit as is, without modifying the gun shield position. If the gun shields are moved then the railings will need to be shortened from the rear ends to fit.

Remove any raised anchor chain detail from the fore deck and replace with stock anchor chain, etched part 89, cut to the required lengths.



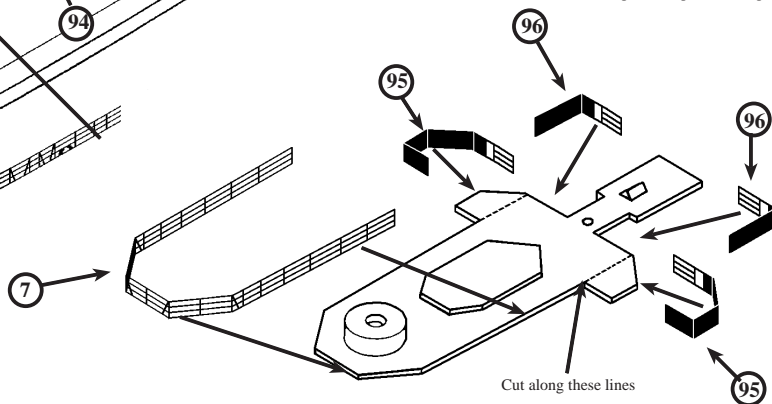
Shape and fit the railing section, etched part 7, around the edges of 'B' gun deck as shown below.

Alternative etched parts have been supplied to fit the rear of the gun deck as required.

If the original AA fit is being used then the deck extensions will remain in place and the splinter shield and railing combination, etched parts 95, are shaped and fitted around the deck edges as shown below.

If the AA platforms are removed by cutting along the dashed lines, then the etched parts 96 are used to fit the deck edges.

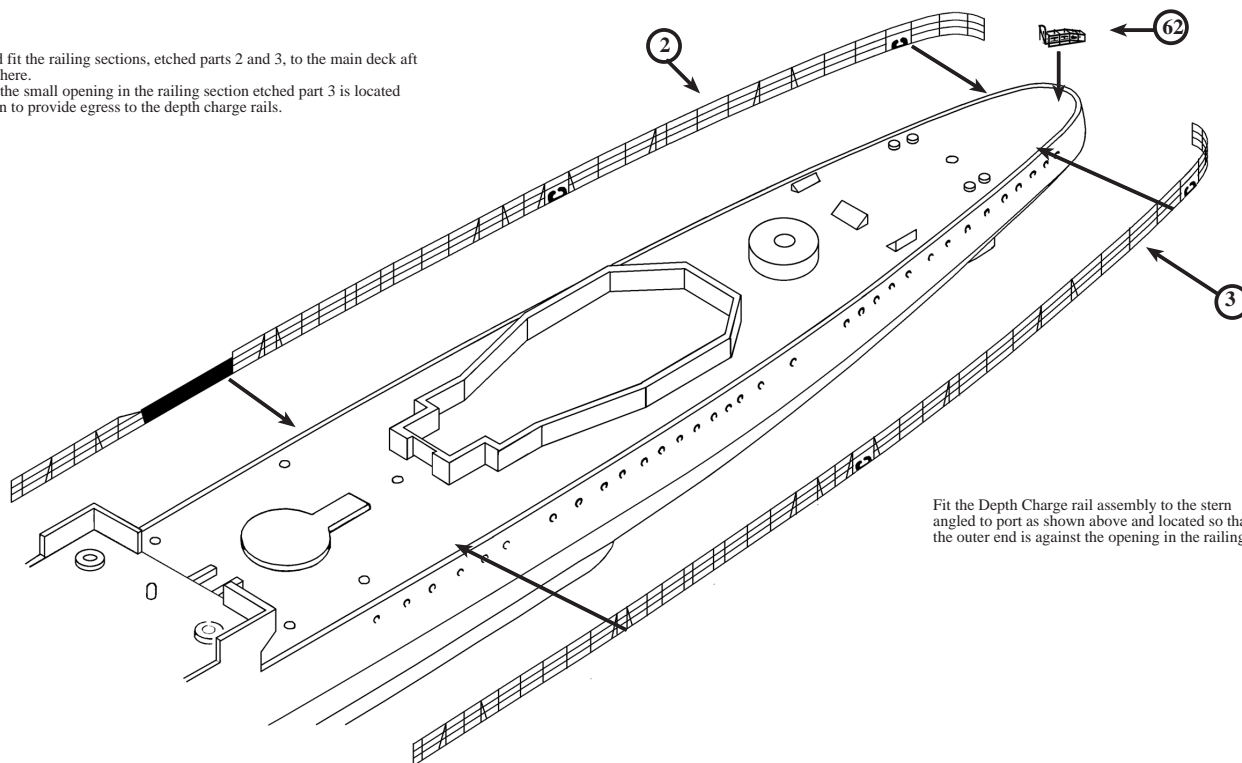
Note: Moulded plastic cross bracing has been moulded in to the kits hull parts. These should be removed any replaced by thin vertical posts to support the deck extensions if left in place. These can be made from stretched sprue or plastic strip.



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## Main Deck Railing Location

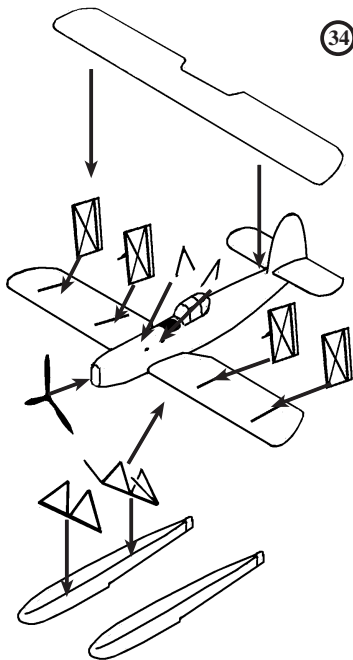
Shape and fit the railing sections, etched parts 2 and 3, to the main deck aft as shown here.  
 Note that the small opening in the railing section etched part 3 is located at the stern to provide egress to the depth charge rails.



Fit the Depth Charge rail assembly to the stern angled to port as shown above and located so that the outer end is against the opening in the railings.

### Fairey Sea Fox Seaplane Assembly

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The aircraft provided in the kit requires some considerable work to incorporate the photo etch details.

It is best to start by fitting the fuselage to the lower wing using the lugs provided on the kit. When this has dried, remove the remaining round locating pins from the fuselage and clean up the area using a model filler. When set blend in the surface contours using wet abrasive paper. Fit the photo etched wing struts to the locations shown, then fit the upper wing into place using the struts for support.

The holes in the upper wing will need to be filled and blended before fitting.

Remove the plastic spacer plate from the floats, kit part 52, and fit the float attachment struts in its place.

Note: The forward set of struts is angled backwards slightly to meet the fuselage under the leading edge of the lower wing.

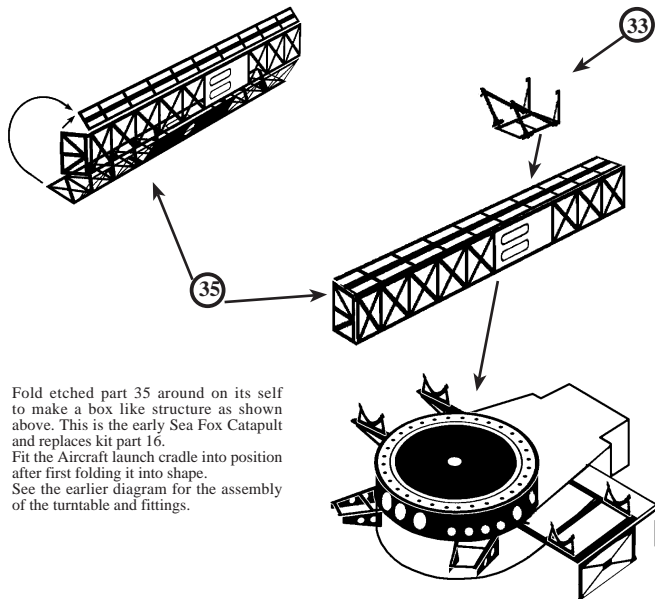
The extra stays on the back set of struts are folded forwards to attach under the trailing edge of the lower wing.

When fitting the aircraft onto the catapult cradle, the forward stays of the cradle pass along each side of the back float attachments and locate under the wing between the float attachments.

The colour scheme for the Seafox at the time of the Battle of the River Plate would have been Dark Sea Grey / Dark Slate Grey camouflage on the upper surfaces of the wings and fuselage, with Sky undersurfaces.

### Fairey Sea Fox Catapult Assembly

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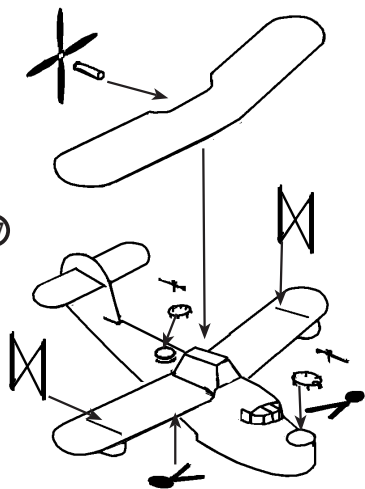


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Fold etched part 35 around on its self to make a box like structure as shown above. This is the early Sea Fox Catapult and replaces kit part 16. Fit the Aircraft launch cradle into position after first folding it into shape. See the earlier diagram for the assembly of the turntable and fittings.

### Supermarine Walrus Parts Location

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The Supermarine Walrus amphibian that is provided in the kit may differ slightly from that in the diagram, but the etched parts fit in the same way.

Drill out the gunners cockpits with a .75mm drill and fit the scarf rings and machine guns as shown.

Assemble the wings as shown including the struts and cross braces as shown.

Fit the propeller onto a small length of plastic rod fitted centrally under the upper wing.

The paint scheme for the Walrus at the time period depicted by the kit is as follows.

Dark Slate Grey / Extra Dark Sea Grey Camouflage Pattern.  
Upper surfaces of fuselage, tailplane and Upper wing only.

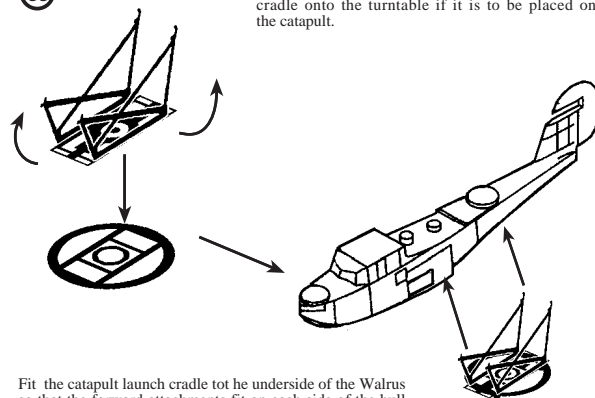
Slate Grey / Dark Sea Grey Camouflage Pattern.  
Upper surface of Lower wing only.

Matt Sky Type S.  
All under surfaces

Matt Black.  
Prop Blades, Wheels, Machine guns.

### Supermarine Walrus Launch Cradle

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Fold up the side frames on the launch cradles, etched parts 55 to 90° so that they are parallel, then fit the cradle onto the turntable if it is to be placed on the catapult.

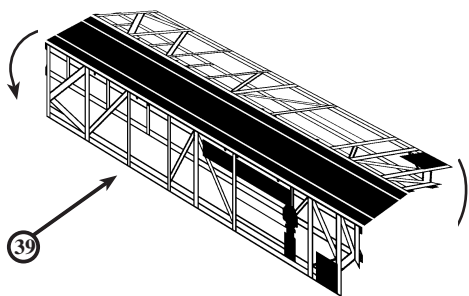
Fit the catapult launch cradle to the underside of the Walrus so that the forward attachments fit on each side of the hull step.

Fit the deck handling cradle in a similar manner only with the rear attachments fitting to the hull step.

When the Walrus is fitted to a cradle be sure that the under carriage is retracted.

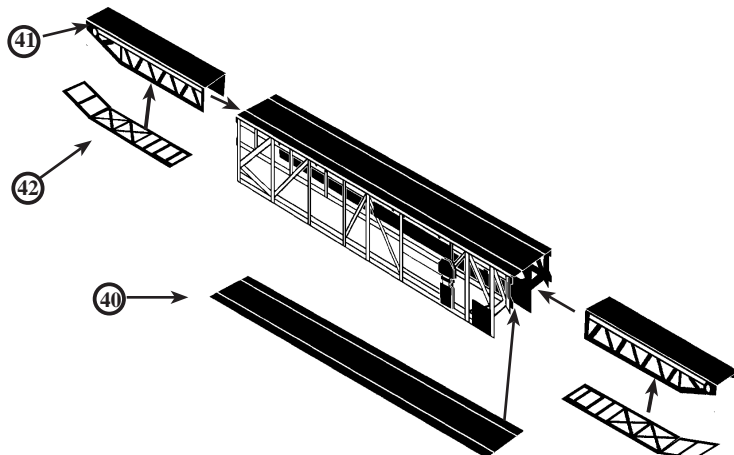
### Supermarine Walrus Catapult Assembly

Fold down the sides of the catapult, etched part 39, to 90° so that they are parallel. Fit the extension platform, etched part 40, inside so that the edges locate along the full length horizontal beam. Secure into place.



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Fold down the sides of the catapult extensions, etched parts 41 to 90° so that they are parallel, then shape the cross braced sections, etched parts 42 so that the edges of the cross bracing fits against the lower rail of the side piece. Secure in to place. Fit the extensions in to the catapult so that they slide along the inner platform. These can be fixed in place either extended or retracted as desired.



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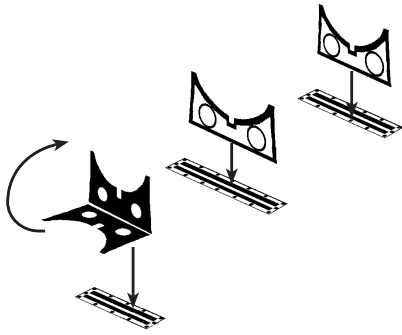
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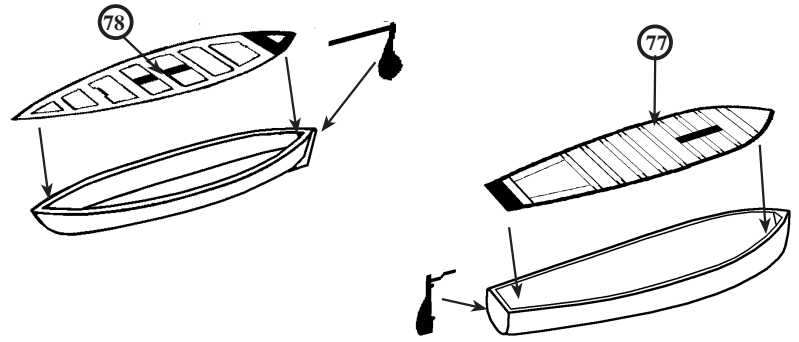
The parts for the Walrus Amphibian and the Associated Catapult Assembly were not fitted to HMS Ajax but are included in this set if other ships of the class are to be modelled from the Airfix kit.

### Boat Cradle Assembly



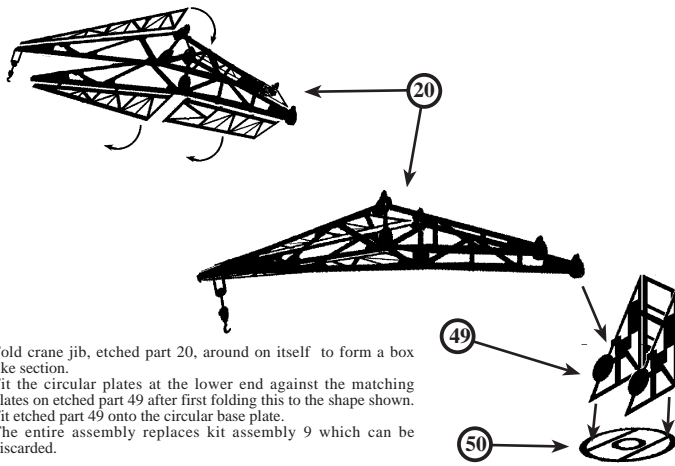
The assembly sequence for the boat cradles applies to all sizes of cradle and is as follows. Fold each cradle in half so that it is double thickness, ensuring that the relief etched detail is outer most. Secure in to place and then fit the lower edge of each cradle into the etched slot on the base plate. Sometimes it is best to fit the cradles to the hull of the boat before fitting to the ships deck, but it can also be done by removing the moulded plastic cradles from the deck and fitting the replacement cradles directly in their place.

### Ship's Boats Assembly



The boats provided in the kit are rather basic and will need to be shaped a little to give them the correct appearance. Remove any detail from inside the open boats and fit the thwarts provided to the top rim as shown. Shape the hull to the plan view of the etched part and then follow by smoothing the hull shape all the way down. Fit the rudder to the stern post.

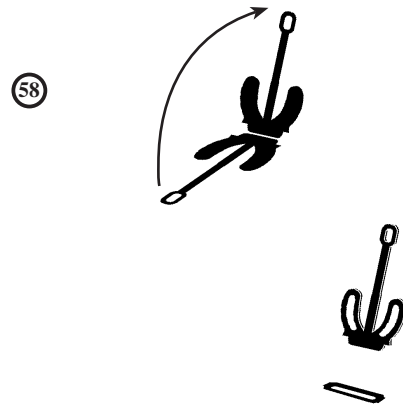
### Main Crane Assembly



Fold crane jib, etched part 20, around on itself to form a box like section.  
Fit the circular plates at the lower end against the matching plates on etched part 49 after first folding this to the shape shown.  
Fit etched part 49 onto the circular base plate.  
The entire assembly replaces kit assembly 9 which can be discarded.

Note: The crane jib can be fitted at any angle that may be desired.

### Anchor Assembly



Fold the anchors, etched parts 58, in half as shown above and secure into place, with the relief etched detail outermost.  
Fit the lower part of the anchor through the slot in the tripping plate and secure into place. Make two of these to replace the kit parts 79 and 80.

### Other Instructions

- Ladders have been supplied in this set in two forms, vertical and inclined, to suit the areas that they are being employed. The Vertical Ladders, etched parts 88 are in two different widths for use on masts and platforms as required. The kit parts will often have a vertical ladder moulded on to the face of a bulkhead at the location required. Remove the mouldings and replace with an etched section cut to length from the stock. Inclined Ladders are supplied to replace those moulded onto the kit parts. The reference to the locations of these is given in the parts list at the front of these instructions
- Stock lengths of Anchor Chain, etched parts 89, are supplied to fit to the fore deck from the capstans to the hawse pipes. These are to replace those that are moulded in plastic on the deck forward of the capstans. Sufficient lengths of anchor chain have been supplied to have a length of chain coming out of a hawse pipe down to the surface of the water if the ship is being modelled at anchor in a diorama setting.
- Etched parts 85, Bridge Rangefinders have been provided as alternative to the plastic parts 71 and 72 provided in the kit if desired. Fold the etched parts in half so that the relief etched detail is outermost, then secure halves together with adhesive.
- For reference and guide to HMS Ajax, the publication Profile Morskje No1 gives good detail and plans of the ship as well as technical specifications. The focus tends to be on the River Plate battle although the plans are for a 1941 fit. For those who wish to be more adventurous, Profile Morskje also offer plans for HMS Neptune, another Leander class Cruiser, but with a few differences that would require some substantial modifications to the kit. Some of the etched parts provided in this set will help with that.