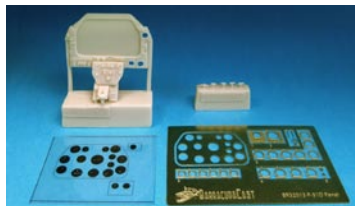




BR32013

P-51D Mustang Instrument Panel

Designed for the 1/32 Tamiya P-51D Mustang Series



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This set directly replaces the kit instrument panel for the 1/32 Tamiya P-51D Mustang. This panel represents the later style fitted to the majority of wartime Mustangs. It contains many small parts so care is needed in assembly. Do yourself a favor and read the instructions before you start. There are some helpful hints that will make assembly a little easier.

1. Remove the resin instrument panel from the molding block and cleanup.
2. Deepen small holes in panel slightly as shown by drilling with a #80 drill bit. Paint main panel a scale black color. Drybrush and detail paint to taste. We recommend the use of our BC32010 P-51D Mustang Cockpit Stencils and Placards decal set.
3. Remove main etched panel from sheet with a hobby knife or very fine scissors. Cleanup attachment points with fine sandpaper. Remove bezels one at a time. Clean up and attach bezels to main panel making sure main panel is right side up. We highly recommend using Pledge Finish with Future Shine floor wax for gluing the parts. This dries clear and allows time to position the parts. It is surprisingly strong when fully dried. Cyanoacrylate can also be used.
4. Cut out film dial main panel and make sure you know which side is the front. Turn it over and stick it to a Post-it Note. Repeat with smaller instruments. The small circular one will need to be cut to fit. Work slowly and carefully. Paint back side of instruments with flat white with a very slight tinge of yellow green to simulate the phosphorescent markings.
5. When dry, attach small dials to resin panel with white glue or Pledge Finish with Future Shine floor wax.
6. Stick main panel film dials face up to a Post-it Note. Brush a light coat of Pledge Finish with Future Shine floor wax onto film dial sheet and carefully place main panel on top, sliding into final position. Set aside to dry for a few hours. When dry, attach this panel to the resin instrument panel using white glue or five-minute epoxy to allow time to position the parts.
7. Add the small lever and T- handles as shown. A few spares are included because you know you're going to lose one. That's it. Install your complemented instrument panel per kit instructions with Cyanoacrylate.

Happy modelling,

