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Seasons Greetings

Aveling & Porter Road Roller & Living Wagon -Fred Dibnah

There are two pieces to this magnificent celebration of Fred Dibnah. The first comprises the Aveling & Porter Steam Roller with signage featuring Fred's well-known primary occupation as a Lancashire steeplejack. His traditional methods of demolishing chimneys instead of all the 'new-fangled' ways drew lots of attention in the day and when his fame grew even more, made his TV series about the day job compulsive watching.

Fred's Steam Roller is painted in bright green with a black roof, a clay brown roof underside and bright red features on the bodywork. His signage Fred Dibnah Steeplejack Bolton 30303 is printed in drop shadow work along the edge of the roof. As with all Oxford's steam, vehicles, the detail is amazing with gold, silver, black, white, yellow and red used on cables, chains, struts, chimneys, belts and boiler to great effect. Fred's steam roller is registered DM3079 and the Aveling & Porter crest sits proudly on

the front of the black boiler. The road roller and wheel outers are given an olive grey finish while the roller and wheel inners are matt black. Fred named his machine Betsy and her name is printed in gold on black on both sides behind the tall black and gold chimney stack. Accompanying Fred's Road Roller is his 76APR004B Living Wagon, which he used to park outside his house

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Aveling & Porter Road Roller

& Living Wagon - Fred Dibnah

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Living Wagon, which he used to park outside his house in Bolton. Painted in the same bright green as his steam vehicle, it also has a black roof and additional red features. It is registered DM3709 all ready to be towed by his road roller using the tow hook authentically reproduced on the front. A pale brown 5-rung ladder is strapped to the rear so Fred could unhitch it when he wanted to lean it against the door to his cabin. There are windows on three sides and the bold gold signage is this time promoting Fred Dibnah & Sons, Steeplejack with a Bolton 531303 telephone number.

Eh Lad, that there model's champion!



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Duple Britannia - York Brothers, Northampton

Only the third release on the 1:76 scale luxury Duple Britannia coach, York Brothers of Northampton follow on from the illustrious Wallace Arnold and Bartons versions which comprised numbers one and two in the series.

Manufactured between 1956 and 1962, it was based on its immediate predecessor the Elizabethan with underfloor engine chassis but with modified vertical pillars.

Highly detailed in every respect, our flat fronted Duple Britannia is registered TBD I and the destination panel below the windscreen indicates it is heading for the British Coach Rally 1959 which was held in Brighton. Fitting therefore that the rear of our coach has the letters HMS Brighton printed under the rear window. Decorated with a bright blue lower body and a smoky blue upper body and roof, the roof lights and front roof windows are coloured in light grey with silver surrounds.

The interior floor and seating are moulded in smoke grey with a black dashboard and steering wheel. Outside trim is mostly silver or chrome plated and the wide radiator grille is masked black with the Britannia name etched above, the AEC winged badge and the Duple name below.

above, the AEC winged badge and the Duple name below. York Brothers were a local coach tour company established in 1924 based in Cogenhoe just outside Northampton and as printed on the side of the coach, their company address appears to have been 1 Derngate, Northampton. Their main business comprised school contracts, local bus services as well as private hire. We also see the coach seats 41 passengers with a maximum speed of 30 mph. The rear also tells us that the York Bros operation centred round Northampton, Kettering, Rushden and Wellingborough. In 2008 the company became part of Bowen Travel Group.

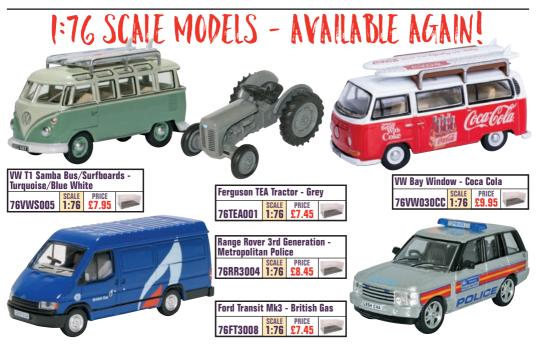




Land Rover introduced the Defender in the early 1980s as a rugged, versatile four-wheel drive, all terrain vehicle which appeared as a car and also as a pickup truck. With cargo capacity for a wealth of equipment or baggage, the Defender could handle anything, which made it a great favourite in both military and civilian roles - many of which have preceded this latest release. Registered E203 PWR from 1987, our long wheel base version is decorated in the eye-catching livery of British

Gas at that time. Representing British Gas North Eastern, as depicted on the cab doors, the body is white with royal blue lower body and roof and featuring fine lighter blue/aquamarine stripes along the waist. The roof is enhanced with a silver spotlight and an orange roof beacon, both essential in some British Gas operating conditions, no doubt.

The interior is black and exterior trim features both black and silver finish. The matt black radiator grille has the Land Rover 110 name above in the centre while the spare wheel is fixed to the centre of the back door.



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The Ford Motor Company introduced the highly popular Ford Fiesta Mk I in the late 1970s. A hit from the start, the versatile, economical and trendy little motor was usually seen in a single colour scheme but in 1981 a very short run of 3000 Fiesta I.IL cars named Bravo appeared in a two-tone colour scheme. Our latest Fiesta release is a replica of this car registered EVV 969X from 1981.

Decorated in eye-catching bright metallic blue and silver,

Exterior trim is finished in black and silver and note the distinctive radiator grille with the blue Ford badge embedded in the centre. The realistic silver and orange headlights to each side, as well as the rear light clusters reproduced in red and orange, replicate the real thing. It is a rare beast these days with very few surviving, so here at Oxford, we are very pleased to immortalise it in 1:76 scale miniature.





Ford Capri MkII - Lime Green

SCALE PRICE **£7.45** 76CPR001

Ford Cortina MKIII - Gold 76C0R3001 SCALE PRICE £7.45 Scooter - Blue/White

SCALE PRICE **£6.95** 76SC001



1966 Pontiac GTO - Montero Red

The Oxford American 1:87 series of classic cars continues with the second release of the 1966 Pontiac GTO, as manufactured by General Motors. The GTO rose from its origins in the Pontiac Tempest into a sporty car with a larger 389 cu ins Pontiac V8 engine from the full-size Pontiac Grand Prix hardtop coupé, promoting it as a special high performance model. In 1966, the year of our 1:87 scale replica, the GTO became a separate Pontiac model option with several refinements such as a curvy style with an upward turned rear fender to achieve the Coke Bottle look, as well as a slightly

tunnelled backlight. The tailgate now featured a louvred cover. It was a bit longer on the existing wheelbase and weight remained the same. Available as a pillared coupé, a hardtop without B pillars and a convertible, it was also a 'first' to feature a plastic front grille. The interior had newly designed bucket seats, adjustable headrest and a re-designed instrument panel with walnut veneer trim.

And it's all here on our rich dark red release! Registered in Oklahoma as LE 3075 our GTO saloon has an all-black interior while external trim is finished in both black and silver. Note the GTO badge to one side of the split radiator grille, too.

In real life, the GTO sold almost 97,000 models, making it one of the most successful for GM.



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Morris Traveller- Smoke Grey

Oxford's Morris collectors of the larger 1:76 scale have already been treated to this delightful little Traveller model and here it is once more, especially for small scale 1:148 modellers. It is an exact replica of its larger counterpart, perfect in every detail, decorated in pale grey with the 'woodie' ash effect to the sides and a pale blue interior. Registered 55 FNX, the car features the Morris 1000 marque on the offside rear door and the signature Morris badge on the bonnet.

The Morris Minor, designed by Sir Alec Issigonis and his

team, was launched at the 1948 Earl's Court Motor Show in London. Between then and 1972, over 1.3 million rolled off the production line as the series progressed. In 1953, a 2-door wood-framed estate version comprising the Morris 1000 Traveller was launched, set to become an iconic vehicle in its own right. Much revered by classic car enthusiasts even now, the 'woodie' is still seen on our roads and continues to turns heads.

It is equally popular in model form and this new release will look great in your line-up of Morris Minors from the 1950s/60s.



In December, all Platinum Members will automatically receive their FREE Christmas Model, which has become a collector's item over the years.

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