



DH 88 Comet - G-ACSP - Black Magic

The supremely elegant DH88 Comet was to become one of the most famous aircraft in history. It was born of de Havilland's determination to field a winning British entry in 1934's epic 12,000 mile 'MacRobertson International Air Race' from England to Australia.

Within nine months the de Havilland team created and tested a high-speed twin-engine wooden monoplane with exceptionally long range, designed to minimise the fuel stops en route. Contributing to high cruising speed were the Comet's thin tapered wing, low frontal area, and the then innovative use of a retractable undercarriage and variable-pitch propellers.

Three Comets were ordered privately for the race, the black and gold G-ACSP Black Magic (flown by Jim and Amy Mollison), the green G-ACSR (Owen Cathcart-Jones and Ken Waller), and the red G-ACSS Grosvenor House of C.W.A. Scott and Tom Campbell Black. Dawn on 20 October 1934 saw the 20 starters depart RAF Mildenhall in Suffolk. Black Magic arrived first in Baghdad after a

non-stop flight, ahead of the field. Thereafter it was Grosvenor House which landed first in Melbourne to win the £10,000 Speed Race prize after 65 hours 24 minutes in the air. G-ACSR arrived fourth but immediately set off for England to create an out-and-home record.

The achievements of the racing Comets were supplemented by remarkable long distance flights in following years, and construction of two more examples. Most extraordinary were the exploits of G-ACSS in the hands of Flg. Off. A.E. Clouston. An out-and-back London to Cape Town record was set in 1937, followed in 1938 by London to New Zealand and return - a flight of 26,450 miles in under 11 days. Today this most historic of all British civil aircraft is preserved in airworthy condition at the Shuttleworth Collection in Bedfordshire, UK.

Our 1:72 scale replica of 'Black Magic' is decorated in the dramatic black and gold of the original and has the added feature of a retractable and extended undercarriage. It proudly carries the Union Flag on either side of the tail fin with the number 63 in gold.



Plaxton Panorama 1 - Southdown

New tooling introduces the well-known and popular Plaxton Panorama I into the 1:76 Oxford range in an equally sought after livery, as it was run by Southdown Motor Services. Our model is based on the body style from 1963-64, which in real life was 36 ft long.

Plaxton is an English bus and coach vehicle body builder based in Scarborough, where it was originally founded in 1907 by Frederick William Plaxton. It became a subsidiary of Alexander Dennis, another famous name in the industry, in May 2007.

The Panorama concept was originally launched in 1958 at the Commercial Motor Show. It was also entered into the British and Nice coach rallies the same year, winning top awards at both events. Its modern lines and design cemented its reputation as a trendsetter, becoming a strong influence on the development of British coach styling for years to come.

Our model, registered 176 DCD, is decorated in the

familiar two tone green of Southdown with their signature gold and black lettering and silver coachlines. The replica roof lights have a masked black surround while the windows and windscreen are masked in silver. The interior seating is pale green, the dashboard is moulded in tan and the floor is moulded yellow-grey.





Built between 1937 and 1945, the Pioneer gave excellent service throughout World War Two as an artillery tractor amongst other heavy haulage uses and after the War it proved equally useful in civilian life. It was a particular favourite with fairground operators, where its power was much appreciated. Here we see it as used by the famous T Whitelegg showman family, complete with a tow hook variant and registered NFJ 847G. Advertising their Dodgems ride, the model is decorated in their maroon and red colour scheme with fine gold and black coachlines to the front and sides and their colourful TW logo etched on the cab doors. The chunky wheels have red inserts to match the chassis colour of this Number One vehicle in the Whitelegg fleet. Note the rolled up 'canvas' window blinds to the cab. A

lovely little authentic detail!



AEC Mercury TL - Derbyshire Fire Services

The AEC Mercury Turntable Ladder dates from the 1950s and 1960s and nearly 200 were built before the end of production in the late 1960s, with over half being supplied with Merryweather 100 ft ladders.

Registered 2934 RA, the latest release is as used by Derbyshire Fire Services, whose colourful and detailed crest features on the cab doors.

A similarly detailed Merryweather marque also appears on the radiator grille. Decorated with red cab, ladder holders and wheels, the rear body, ladders and control box are contrasting silver grey. The black interior seating and steering wheel are black.

The extensive 'aluminium' ladder extends along the length of the apparatus and beyond the cab at the front. Additional detail includes silver spotlights and bumpers, with searchlights and bells given a chrome finish.



Dennis Light Four 'New World' - NFS 76DL4005 11:76 211.95

AEC Mercury TL - Derbyshire Fire Services

The Dennis Light Four with 'New World' bodywork was introduced in 1936 and continued in manufacture until the end of World War II, with many running into the 1950s.

For its 5th Oxford outing, it is portrayed in the livery of the National Fire Service, registered GLM 291, in the traditional bright red, black and chrome. The white NFS lettering appears on each of the cab doors. The ladders are brown and the seats, body top/rear surface, hoses, cable reels and radiator grille are black. The wheels and mudguards are red and notice the silver edging applied to the lower edge of the front mudguards. Silver masking lifts the colour scheme even further and the model is finished off with a large chrome spotlight and bell.













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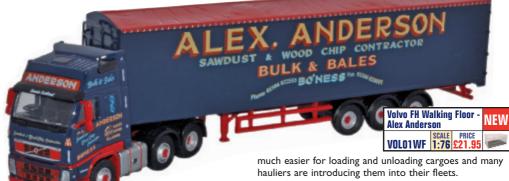




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Volvo FH Walking Floor - Alex Anderson

Oxford have tooled up a very modern Walking Floor trailer paired with the Volvo FH, which makes its debut this month in this popular truck livery - Alex Anderson of Bo'ness, on the west coast of the Scottish Lowlands. The walking floor concept in modern-day trailers makes it

The Alex Anderson livery of dark blue and red with dropped shadow lettering is shown off admirably on this brand new model and is full of graphic detail. The chassis, bumpers, radiator and front mudguards are decorated in red. To the rear, the trailer roof and the bars along the sides are red, while the side tanks are finished in silver. Registered L600 AAA, a finishing touch sees the sun visor reading Bonnie Scotland at the top of the windscreen.



Lotus Evora - Central Motorway Patrol Group

The Police must love being in this one! It is a superbly executed model of the new Lotus Evora in white with the Police markings in acid yellow and blue. Additional colour sees it with red/yellow chevrons across the back, white wing mirrors and a red interior. Registered AU60 DXZ, a tooling modification enables the addition of the blue roof light bar. The signature green and yellow Lotus badge sits at the edge of the bonnet. Note too those blue lights set into the radiator grille





Lotus Elite - Sunburst Yellow/Silver

The delicate colour scheme on the third release of the Lotus Elite is positively springlike with its pale yellow and contrasting silver roof. The Type 14 was the first Elite to come into production in 1958. Its revolutionary fibreglass body and resultant light weight had a great effect on its amazing acceleration and speed.

Our model, registered XAS 403, comes with spoked wheels and light buff interior. There is a mass of chromework, rounded off with the prestigious Lotus badge at the front edge of the bonnet.

Range Rover Evoque 2 Door Coupé - Baltic Blue

The winter weather conditions must be no problem to an owner of a 4×4 such as this. In a very elegant dark blue with grey masks to the windows and registered OY13 SLZ, remaining detail including the interior is black. The authentic wire wheels have a chrome finish and the rear also features silvered twin exhausts. The Range Rover marque lettering is printed across the back including the Land Rover insignia on the offside to the right of the number plate.





Jaguar XKR-S 2-Door Coupé - Polaris White

You saw the new Jaguar XK Convertible launched in a gleaming white colour scheme earlier this year. Now it is the turn of the equally new and elegant 2013 spec XKR-S 2-door coupé to feature the same paint finish. The interior also mirrors the XK, in matt black throughout

and with a black steering wheel. External additions include matt black wipers, silver wheel inserts and a high level of silver/chrome detail to side vents, exhaust pipes and the signature Jaguar badge.

Jaguar XK Convertible - Ultimate Black

There are some colours that look absolutely fabulous on certain body shapes and in the case of the sleek Jaguar XK Convertible modelled to the 2013 specification, this gleaming black finish is

one of them. Contrasting against the pale

cream upholstery, it looks superb! Registered REI3 KPG, the model also features bright silver trim including the twin exhausts and authentic wheels. A black chassis and matt black windscreen wipers complete the effect.

Jaguar XK Convertible - NEW Ultimate Black SCALE PRICE 1:76 £4.75



OXFORD MILITARY 1:76 SCALE

David Brown Tractor - RAF Blue/Grey

This trusty little workhorse gets everywhere! Its latest outing is as a military support vehicle as used by the RAF and decorated in a very simple RAF grey blue colour scheme with black seats/backrest. The wheels also take on the body colour and the RAF roundel situated on the back has an additional white surround, which is usually seen worn by modern RAF training aircraft. The

RAF lettering is completed in white, again on the back of the vehicle.

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OXFORD 1:43 SCALE





Austin Seven RN Saloon - Maroon/Black

The Austin Seven RN saloon was introduced in 1931 from the Austin factory at Longbridge and was 6" longer than the standard Austin Seven which had been launched 10 years earlier. By today's standards, it was still a very tiny car but one of the most popular vehicles of its time.

Our latest 1:43 scale release of the Austin Seven RN comes with a maroon body and black roof, with masked matt black sunroof, while fine red coachlines have been applied to the bodywork. Radiator grille, running boards, mudguards, spoked wheels and headlight bowls are all black. Inside, the seats, floor and door panels are reproduced in a rusty red and the dashboard replicates the maroon exterior body colour.

Austin Seven RN Van - Liptons Tea

The RN Van version of the Austin Seven was a converted RN saloon but proved invaluable commercially, especially as a small delivery van. Liptons were family grocers as well as purveyors of tea and on this superbly decorated dark green and black vehicle, the company is advertising 'Liptons for Bacon' as well as their branded tea. The detailed graphics are printed in gold and we see that this little van, registered CG 1775 was based in Winchester. The interior dashboard is dark green and the seats, door panels and 'carpet' are black. Further interior detail includes brown door cappings. Two additional details include a roof board above the windscreen and a driver's mirror fixed to the door.









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Foden FG Tipper - Blue Circle Cement

You can't mistake the signature yellow and blue livery of this well-known company - a favourite amongst collectors. Now in N scale and registered NYN 265, our tipper truck is carrying Portland Cement, according to the roundel on the cab doors. The yellow body and wheel hubs are in sharp contrast to the bright blue chassis, mudguards and bumpers. The distinctive Foden radiator grille is black, printed silver and the interior of the cab is also black. Final details include silver door handles, lights and hub caps.



























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Ford Transit SWB Low Roof - AA

The Automobile Association has long been associated with roadside rescue and motor-related home assistance but in recent years has been stretching its services to include all sorts of other things. Here we see it on the contemporary Ford Transit Short Wheel Base vehicle with low roof option, promoting itself not only as a breakdown vehicle but also 'rescuing homes too', with cleverly applied black silhouettes of rows of houses. The signature colour scheme of yellow and black remains the same except for the back which features high visibility red chevrons and rear panel with essential contact details printed in black out of









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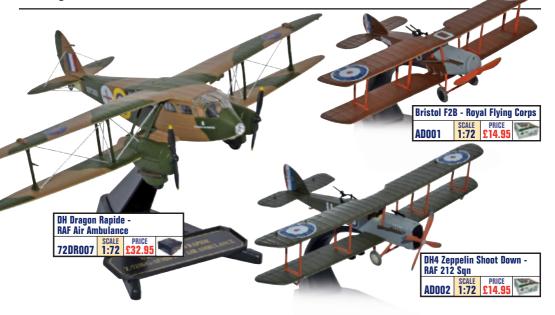




DH Hornet F3 WB909, 80 Squadron RAF, Kai Tak

This military version of the DH Hornet is a replica of the fighter aircraft based in Hong Kong in 1953, where it was deployed as part of 80 Sqn's duty to defend Hong Kong from perceived Communist threats during the Chinese Civil War. The de Havilland Hornet and the squadron remained there until May 1955. No 80 Squadron was formed in 1917, firstly as part of the Royal Flying Corps and then the RAE It served in both World Wars, finally disbanding in 1969.

Our replica comes in RAF grey and green camouflage with grey/blue underside and dark blue propeller spinners. The squadron roundel is interesting, being a red rectangle with a yellow diamond shape encasing the usual RAF insignia and features on both sides of the fuselage. The normal RAF roundel also appears on the upper and lower wings. The model also carries the added detail of two underwing bombs and both retracted and extended undercarriage options.



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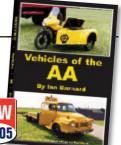
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following it up with a similar publication devoted to vehicles of the AA. It has taken 17 years for us to persuade lan Barnard to take on the enormous task, but no-one is better qualified to describe the vehicles used by the Automobile Association, as can clearly be seen when you read this volume. Ian has always had a deep interest in the Automobile Association and its history. He has an extensive collection of toys and models in the livery of the AA and many other similar road service organisations worldwide.

