LOCKHEED P-38 LIGHTNING



H-220-3800

"Two planes, one pilot", is the way that the Japanese very aptly described the radical P-38 fighter during World War II.

Big even by today's standards for single seat fighters, the P-38 was designed originally to be a high speed, high altitude, interceptor fighter. It had both high speed and ceiling, but its forte proved to be long range escort missions that utilized its over 2000 mile range (with drop tanks). It proved adaptable to many roles including those of bombing, photo reconnaissance, and night fighting.

Your Revell model can be built either as a P-38J, or as a P-38M night fighter. The J version was the first of the redesigned Lightnings and differed visually from its predecessors in having the deeper engine nose cowlings. The M added a second cockpit for the radar

operator and airborne intercept radar. Both could carry rockets.

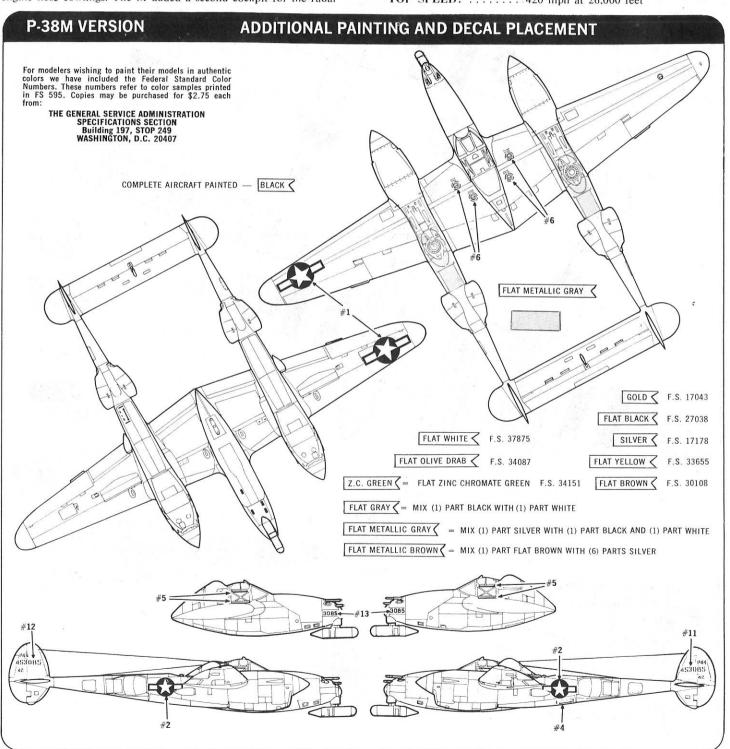
LOCKHEED P-38 LIGHTNING SPECIFICATIONS

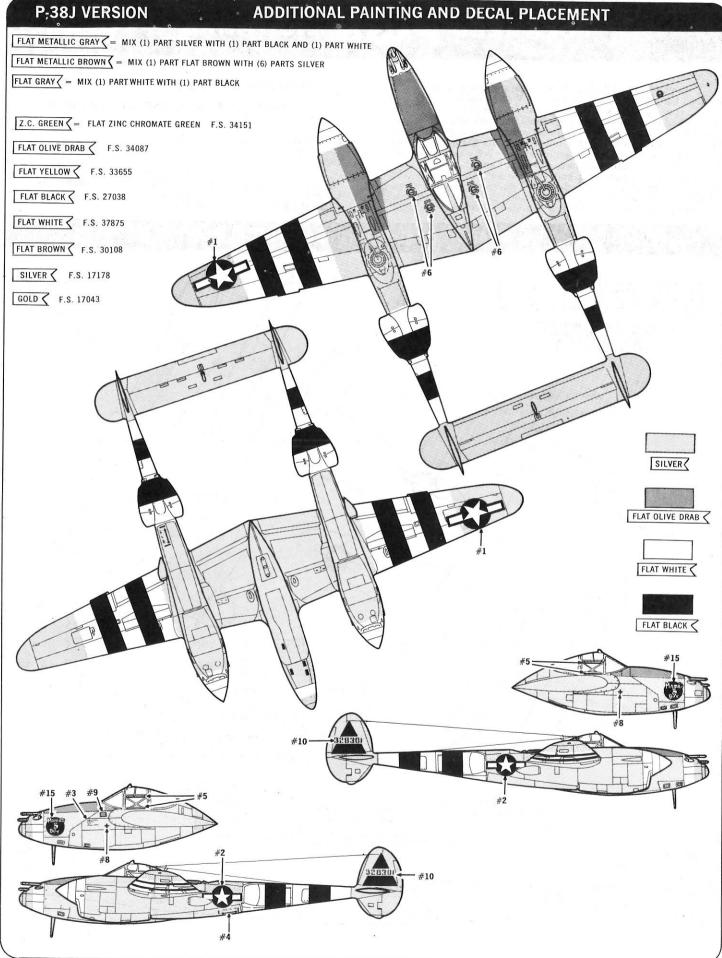
SPAN:52'
LENGTH:37' 10"
HEIGHT:9' 10"

POWER:Two Allison V-1710 turbo-supercharged

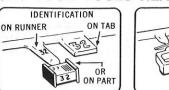
CEILING: 44,000 feet

TOP SPEED: 420 mph at 26,000 feet

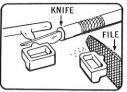




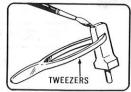
GET YOUR TOOLS READY:



REMOVE PART WHEN CALLED FOR

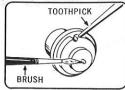


TO REMOVE AND TRIM PARTS



BEFORE YOU BEGIN

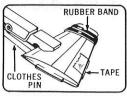
TO HOLD PARTS FOR PAINTING



TO APPLY CEMENT

4. Suggested painting colors are indicated by \(\times\).

Paint small parts before detaching from runner.



TO HOLD PARTS AFTER CEMENTING

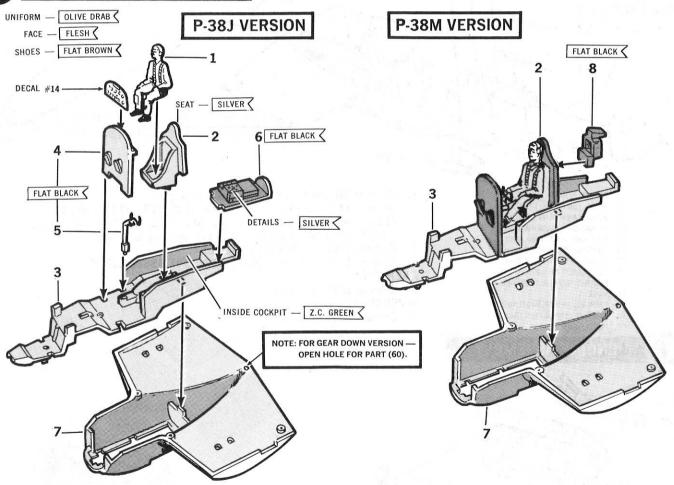
HELPFUL MODELING HINTS

- 1. Fit parts together before cementing.
- 2. Trim away excess plastic.
- 3. Use cement sparingly; too much will damage your model.
- 5. TO OBTAIN A GOOD BOND, REMOVE PAINT WHERE PARTS ARE TO BE CEMENTED.

THIS KIT IS DESIGNED TO ALLOW YOU TO BUILD EITHER OF TWO VERSIONS: P-38J OR P-38M. CHOOSE NOW BEFORE YOU START BUILDING YOUR MODEL.

IF YOU WISH TO STOP DURING THE CONSTRUCTION OF YOUR MODEL, DO SO AT THE END OF AN ASSEMBLY STEP.

COCKPIT ASSEMBLY



- PILOT
- SEAT
- **FLOOR**
- INSTRUMENT PANEL
- CONTROL COLUMN
- RADIO EQUIPMENT
- FUSELAGE, LOWER HALF
- RADAR EQUIPMENT

- 1. Cement (1) to (2); then cement (2) to (3).
- 2. Apply DECAL to (4), then cement (4) and (5) to (3).

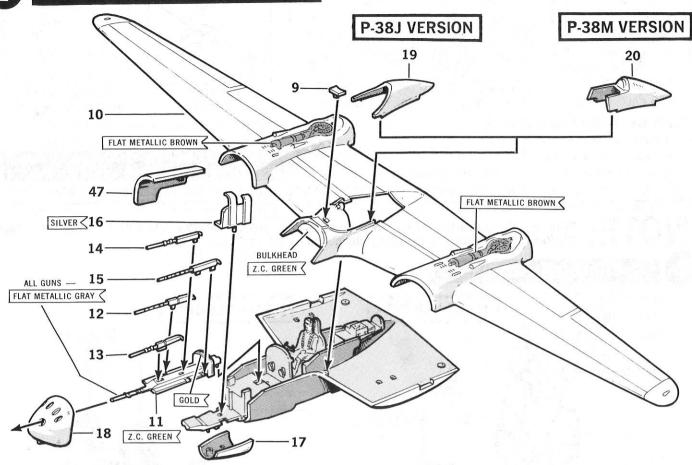
J VERSION

3. Cement (6) to (3); then cement (3) to (7).

M VERSION

4. Cement (8) to rear of (2) and cement (3) to (7).

2 FUSELAGE/WING ASSEMBLY



- 9 ARMOR PLATE
- 10 WING, UPPER HALF
- 11 20mm CANNON/M.G. MOUNT 12 50 CALIBER MACHINE GUN
- 13 50 CALIBER MACHINE GUN
- 14 50 CALIBER MACHINE GUN
- 15 50 CALIBER MACHINE GUN
- 16 50 CALIBER AMMO BOXES
- 17 FAIRING, LOWER FUSELAGE
- 18 NOSE
- 19 FAIRING, UPPER FUSELAGE J
- 20 FAIRING, UPPER FUSELAGE M
- 47 PANEL, GUN ACCESS, RIGHT

- 1. Cement (9) and COCKPIT ASSEMBLY to (10).
- Cement (11) in place; then cement (12), (13), (14), and (15) to (11). Use (18) as a guide (do not cement) when cementing MACHINE GUNS to be sure they are lined up properly.
- 3. Cement (16) to COCKPIT ASSEMBLY.
- 4. Cement (17), (18), and (47) to COCKPIT ASSEMBLY.

J VERSION

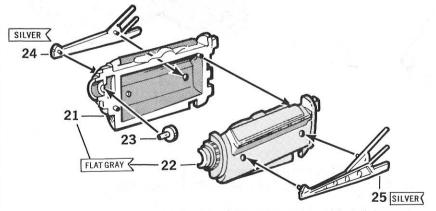
5. Cement (19) as shown.

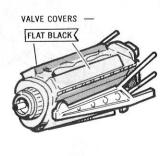
M VERSION

6. Cement (20) as shown.



ENGINE ASSEMBLY

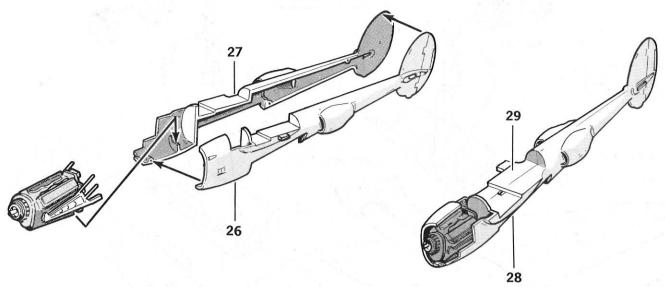




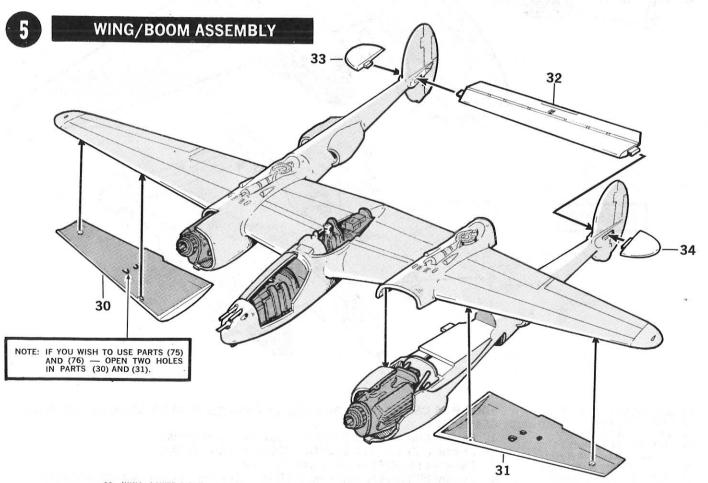
- 21 ENGINE, RIGHT HALF
- 22 ENGINE, LEFT HALF
- 23 SHAFT, PROPELLER
- 24 MOUNT, ENGINE, RIGHT (2 Parts)
- 25 MOUNT, ENGINE, LEFT (2 Parts)
- 1. Cement (21) and (22) together trapping (23) in between.
- 2. Cement (24) and (25) to ENGINE.
- 3. Repeat procedures 1 and 2 for second ENGINE.



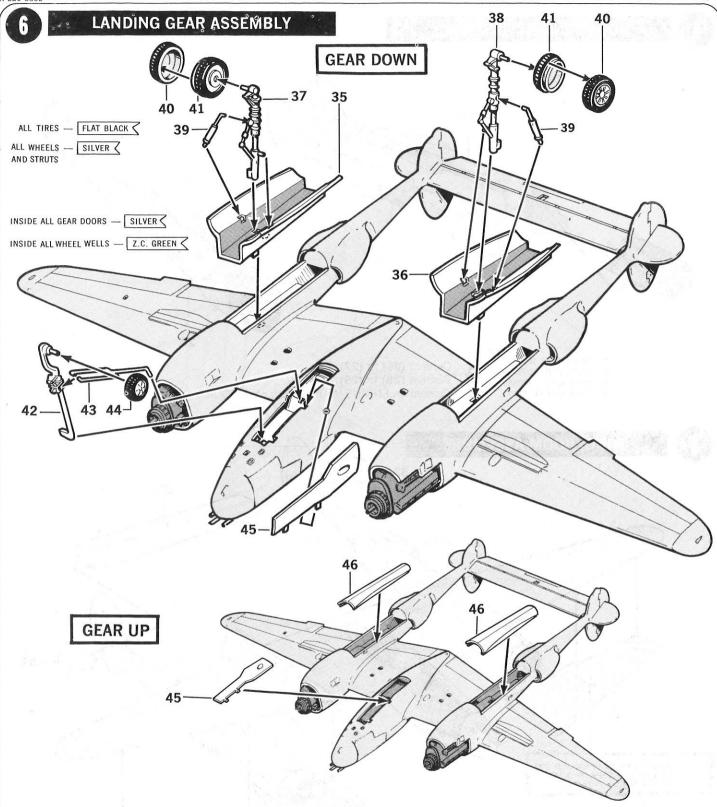
BOOM/ENGINE ASSEMBLY



- BOOM, RIGHT INBOARD BOOM, RIGHT OUTBOARD
- BOOM, LEFT OUTBOARD
- BOOM, LEFT INBOARD
- 1.
- Cement (26) to (27).
 Cement (28) to (29).
 Cement an ENGINE/MOUNT into each BOOM. 2. 3.



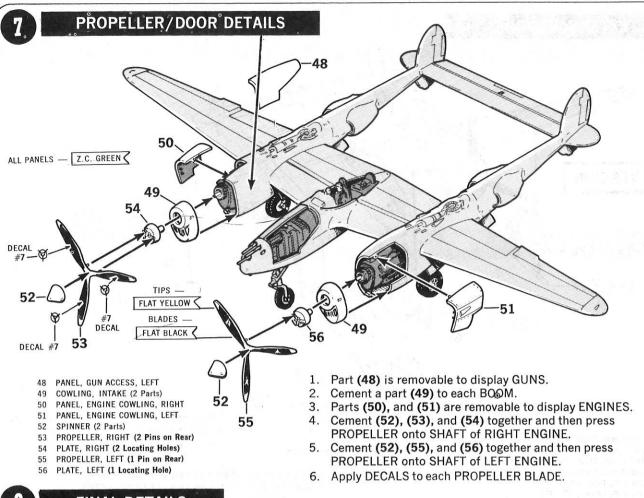
- WING, LOWER RIGHT HALF WING, LOWER LEFT HALF
- STABILIZER, HORIZONTAL STABILIZER TIP, RIGHT
- 33
- STABILIZER TIP, LEFT
- Cement BOOMS to WING.
- Cement (30) and (31) to WING and BOOMS.
- Spread BOOMS slightly, insert (32) and cement in place.
- Cement (33) and (34) as shown.



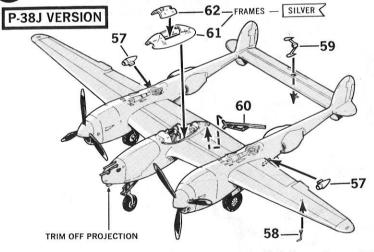
- 35 DOOR ASSEMBLY, OPEN, LEFT
- 36 DOOR ASSEMBLY, OPEN, RIGHT
- 37 STRUT, MAIN GEAR, LEFT
- 38 STRUT, MAIN GEAR, RIGHT
- 39 SIDE BRACE, MAIN GEAR (2 Parts)
- 40 WHEEL, OUTBOARD HALF (2 Parts)
 41 WHEEL, INBOARD HALF (2 Parts)
- 42 STRUT, NOSE GEAR
- 43 LINK, RETRACT, NOSE GEAR
- 44 WHEEL
- 45 DOOR, NOSE GEAR
- 46 DOOR, MAIN GEAR, CLOSED (2 Parts)

YOUR P-38 CAN BE BUILT WITH THE LANDING GEAR UP OR DOWN AS YOU WISH. GEAR DOWN

- 1. Cement (35) into LEFT BOOM and (36) into RIGHT BOOM.
- 2. Cement (37) into LEFT BOOM and (38) into RIGHT BOOM.
- 3. Cement a part (39) to each LANDING GEAR.
- 4. Cement (40) to (41), make two WHEELS and cement one to each LANDING GEAR.
- 5. Cement (42) and (43) together and then cement them into FUSELAGE.
- 6. Cement (44) to NOSE GEAR and cement (45) to FUSELAGE in OPEN position. GEAR UP
- 7. Cement (45) and two parts (46) to plane in CLOSED position.



8 . FINAL DETAILS



- P-38M VERSION

 62
 FRAMES BLACK

 63
 HANDS AND FACE FLESH

 UNIFORM OLIVE DRAB

 SHOES FLAT BROWN
- Cement a part (57) to each BOOM and then cement (58) to the LEFT WING and (59) to the HORIZONTAL STABILIZER.
- Cement (60) to FUSELAGE only if the LANDING GEAR is in the DOWN position.

J VERSION

- Cement (61) to FUSELAGE. Cement (62) to CANOPY in OPEN or CLOSED position.
- 4. Trim off small projection under nose of FUSELAGE.

M VERSION

- 5. Cement (63) into FUSELAGE and (64) onto FUSELAGE.
- 6. Cement (62) to CANOPY in OPEN or CLOSED position.
- 7. Cement (65) and (66) together; then cement RADOME to FUSELAGE.
- See 4-VIÈW DRAWINGS of P-38J or P-38M for additional DECAL placement and painting suggestions.

- 58 PITOT TUBE
- 59 MASS BALANCE WEIGHTS
- 60 LADDER, BOARDING
- 61 CANOPY (Clear)
- 62 CANOPY TOP (Clear) 63 RADAR OPERATOR M
- 64 CANOPY (Clear) M
- 65 RADOME, RIGHT HALF M
- 66 RADOME, LEFT HALF M

