

THE SCALE OF  
THIS MODEL IS  
1/72 ACTUAL SIZE

**Revell**  
Authentic Kits

H-648 ©1966 REVELL INC., VENICE, CALIF. LITHO IN U.S.A.

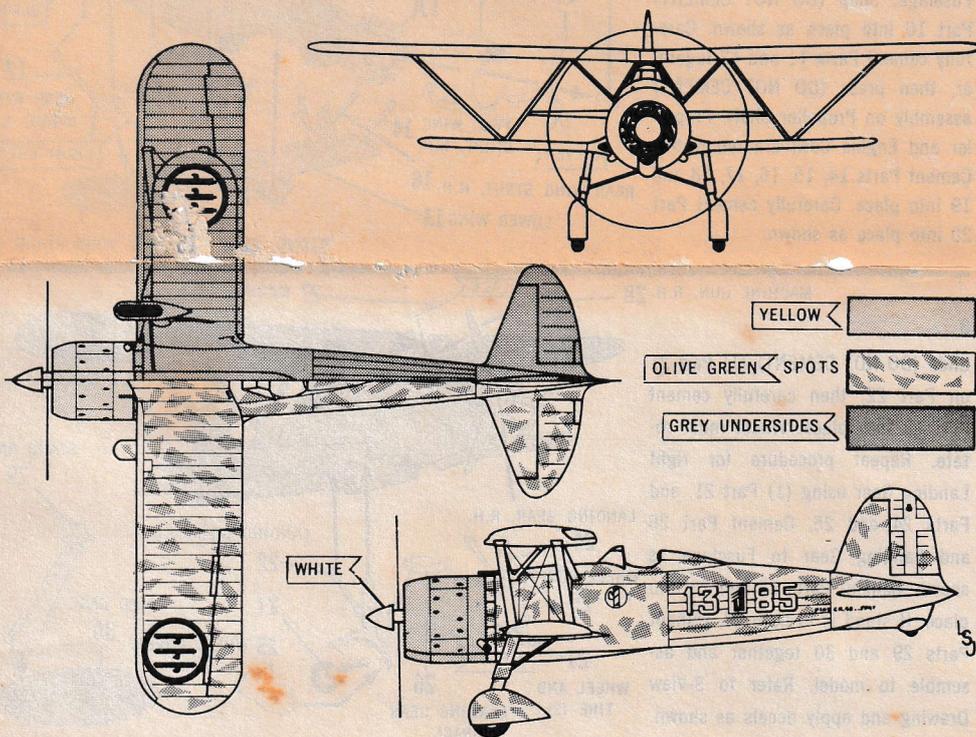
## FIAT CR.42 FALCO

Strangely out of place in a world of high performance aircraft, the Fiat CR.42 biplane still served Italy faithfully throughout the Second World War. Although it was clearly outclassed by the newer monoplanes, the Falco was available in quantity at the outbreak of the war. Its initial role was that of bomber escort, but the superior performance of the allied fighters soon discouraged this practice. The CR.42 found its greatest successes came as a night fighter and fighter-bomber. As a light bomber its agility was found to be a great advantage and CR.42's were used very effectively in this guise during the North African Campaign. As bombers, Falcos were designated CR.42-A.S. and carried two 220 pound bombs.

The little biplane served in nearly every Italian fighter squadron during the war, as well as forming substantial parts of the air forces of Sweden, Hungary and Belgium. Many Falcos were still in operation with the Italian Air Force when that nation surrendered. Some of them continued to fight in the hands of the Anti-Fascist Co-Belligerent Air Forces, thus holding the distinction of fighting on both sides in the conflict. The Fiat CR.42 was the last biplane fighter to be produced by the combatants, surpassing the British Gladiator which also saw service in the war. It was constructed of welded steel tubes covered with fabric. The Falco's clean lines and 340 hp Fiat A74 R.C. 38 engine gave the plane an unusually high speed for a biplane: 267 mph! The service ceiling exceeded 33,000 feet, and the maximum range was over 600 miles. The Falco, or Falcon, carried two 12.7 mm Breda-SAFAT machine guns with 400 rounds per gun. The upper wing had a span of 31 feet, 9 $\frac{3}{4}$  inches; overall length being 27 feet, 2 $\frac{3}{4}$  inches.

Your model of the Fiat CR.42 is another distinctive miniature in Revell's series of famous aircraft in 1/72 scale.

### 3-VIEW DRAWING

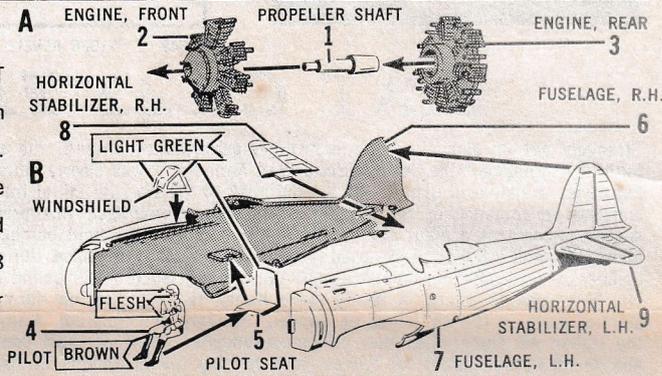


**FOR BEST RESULTS, READ THIS FIRST.**

This kit is molded of styrene plastic. REVELL CEMENT & PAINTS are made especially for use with this material. Always fit parts together to be assured of proper assembly before cementing. Before assembling, paint parts as indicated **RED** and allow to dry. Avoid spilling cement or paint, on clothing, or furniture.

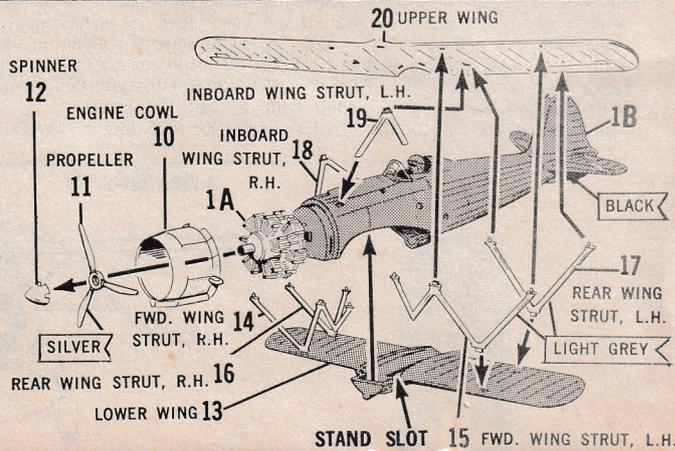
1

See Drawing A. Slide (DO NOT CEMENT) Part 1 into Part 2, then carefully cement Part 3 into place. Propeller Shaft must rotate. See Drawing B. Cement Parts 4, 5, 6 and 7 together as shown. Cement Parts 8 and 9 into place, then cement Clear Windshield to Fuselage.



2

**NOTE:** If model is to be displayed on stand, trim plastic from Stand Slot in Part 13. Cement Part 13 to Fuselage. Cement Assembly 1A to Fuselage. Snap (DO NOT CEMENT) Part 10 into place as shown. Carefully cement Parts 11 and 12 together, then press (DO NOT CEMENT) assembly on Propeller Shaft. Propeller and Engine Cowl are removable. Cement Parts 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19 into place. Carefully cement Part 20 into place as shown.



3

Slide (DO NOT CEMENT) (1) Part 21 on Part 22, then carefully cement Part 23 into place. Wheel must rotate. Repeat procedure for right Landing Gear using (1) Part 21, and Parts 24 and 25. Cement Part 26 and Landing Gear to Fuselage as shown. Cement Parts 27 and 28 into place. If stand is to be used, cement Parts 29 and 30 together and assemble to model. Refer to 3-View Drawing and apply decals as shown.

