Specifications:

Diameter-10ft. Length -

18ft.8in.

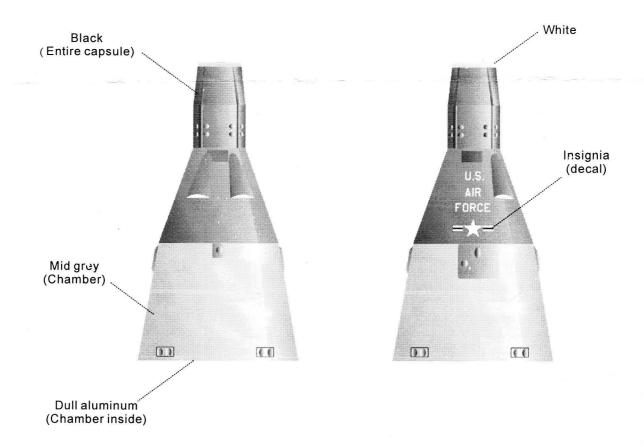
Powerplants -

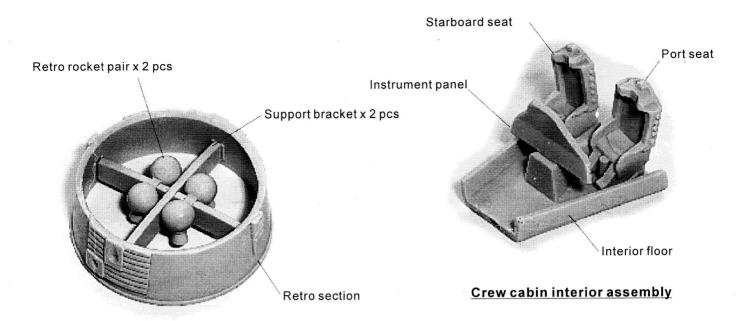
4x Retros rocket engine
16x Reentry control system rocket engine
16x Orbit attitude and maneuvering system rocket engine

Crew -Max speed -

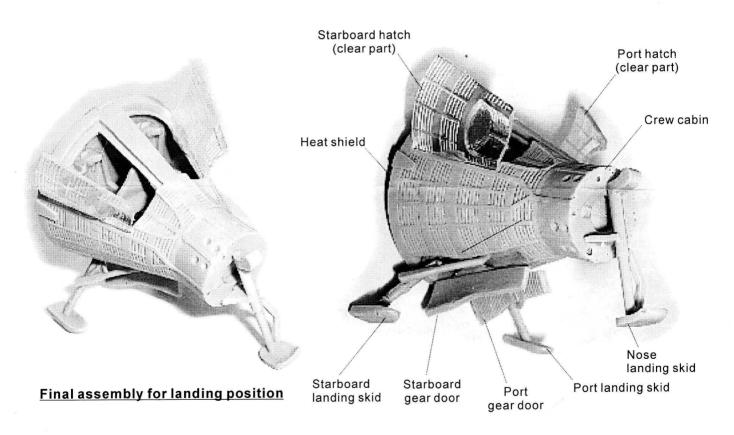
15000 mph (with Titan II launcher)

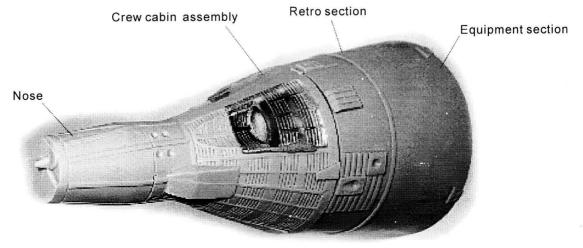
In 1961, after success of the Mercury spacecraft launch, NASA contracted McDonnell to design a larger two-man Mercury mark II for longer periods in orbit. This bigger spacecraft which soon renamed Gemini that require a larger launch vehicle, a Titan II missile. The Titan II was Air Force missile and naturally required close coordination with the Air Force. The Air Force was interested in the Gemini program because it would be ready much earlier than the Dyna-Soar spaceplane while Russians already had men in orbit possibly carrying nuclear bombs. In 1962, the Air Force had designated the spacecraft as Blue Gemini. It would essentially be an off-the-shelf NASA Gemini vehicle. In January 1963, Air Force and NASA officials went to Pentagon to propose DoD participation in Blue Gemini, but was rejected and cancelled by Secretary of Defense. Air Force had soon proposed other manned flight program, the Manned Orbital Laboratory (MOL). It included Gemini B spacecraft which modified from the Blue Gemini with a tunnel through its heat shield to enable the astronauts to reach the MOL spacecraft. There was only one test flight of the Gemini B / MOL mockup in 1966. Gemini B / MOL mockup in 1966.





Retro module assembly





Final accomply for orbit position