AerMacchi C.200 serie VII

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The AerMacchi C.200 was first flown on Christmas Eve of 1937 and in March of 1938, carried out a "spectacular" flying test in front of the Air Ministry Committee for the Fighter Competition at the Regia Aeronautica's test field at Guidonia. Winning the fighter competition, the C.200 was ordered into mass production. The second place finisher, the Fiat G.50, had already been ordered into production due to Fiat's extremely strong connections to the government.

The C.200 served in every theater of the war for Italy, a true workhorse. Its' pilots loved it for its' fingertip handling and great manoverability. The universal problem of engine torque rotation was brilliantly handled by making one wing shorter than the other! This resulted in a neutral stick eliminating constant control corrections and enabling the pilot to fly the aircraft to its potential. This very simple and practical solution made take-offs for rookie pilots routine and safe also reducing take-off losses to almost nil.

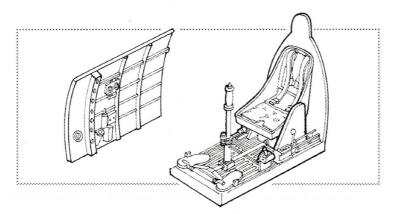
The Macchi C.200 in the Mediterranean theater was more than able to hold its' own against Hurricane I, II's, P-40's and Spitfire I-V's. None of these could outmanouver the C.200 and only the Spitfire V could outclimb it.

I have always liked the C.200, so I decided that this would be our first new plastic kit. I want to thank several people whose help was essential in completing this project. From Italy, master modelers Maurizio Di Terlizzi and Riccardo Trotta; Marco Pantoni of Skymodels who designed the decals and painting instructions and Cartograf who printed the decals. Jerry Boucher of Great Britain for his box design and artwork. Janos Borhi of Formatex (Hungary) for box printing. Eduard of the Czech Republic for the PE set and MPM who produced the kit. My best friend, Wes Shirley and my wife, Mary Ellen, whose advice and counsel have been invaluable to me in this and other matters. Last, thanks to all of you who have supported Pacific Coast Models, Inc. and bought this kit.

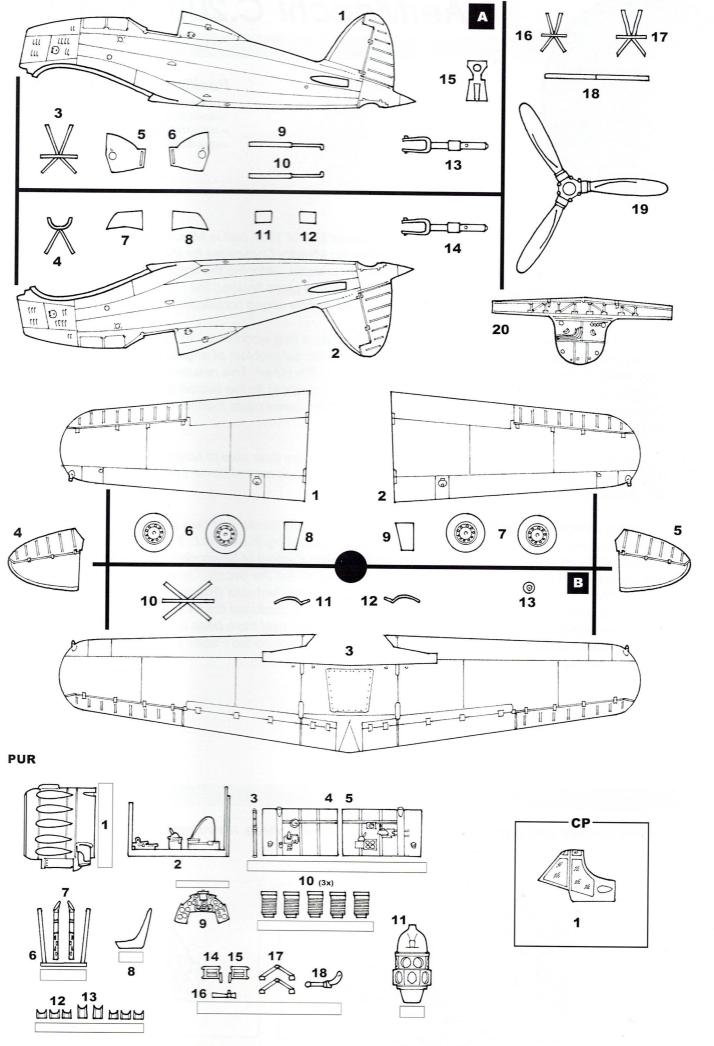
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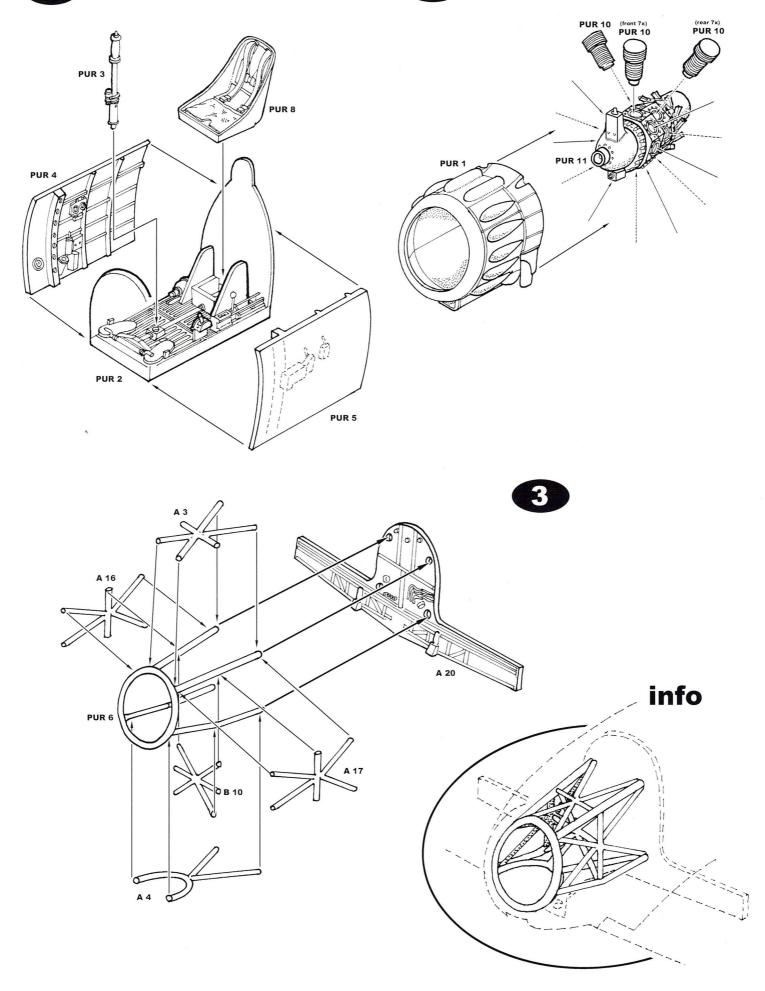
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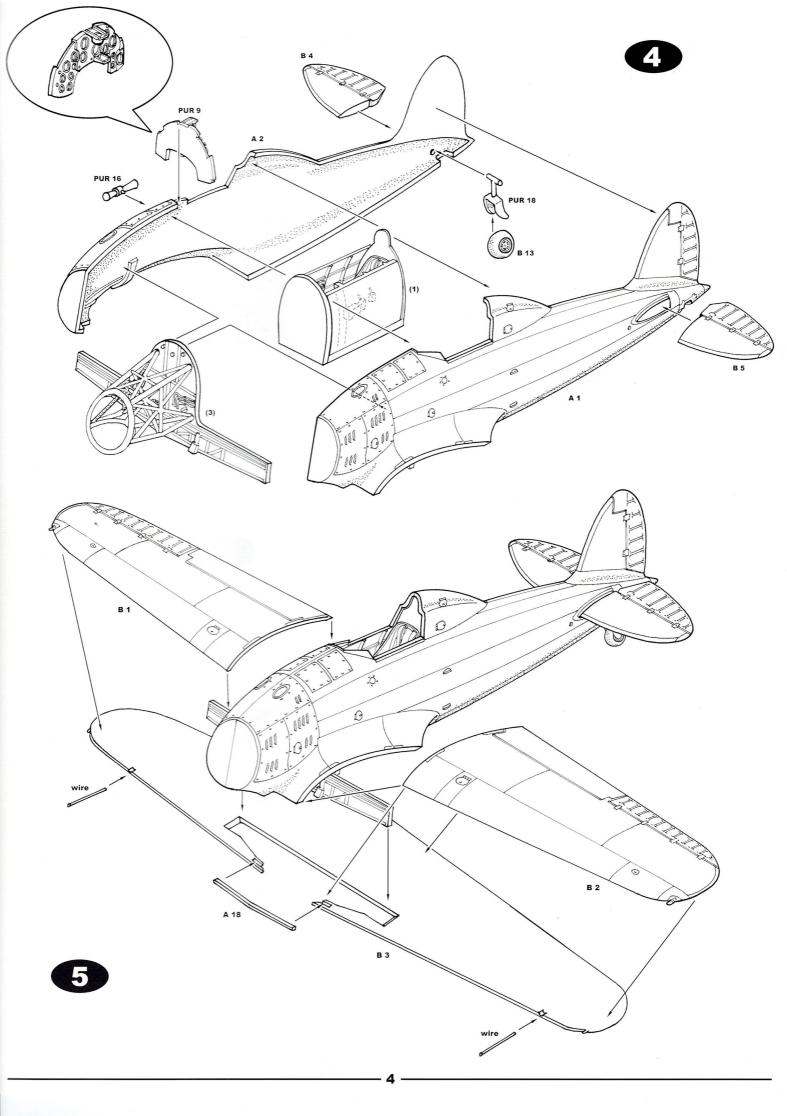
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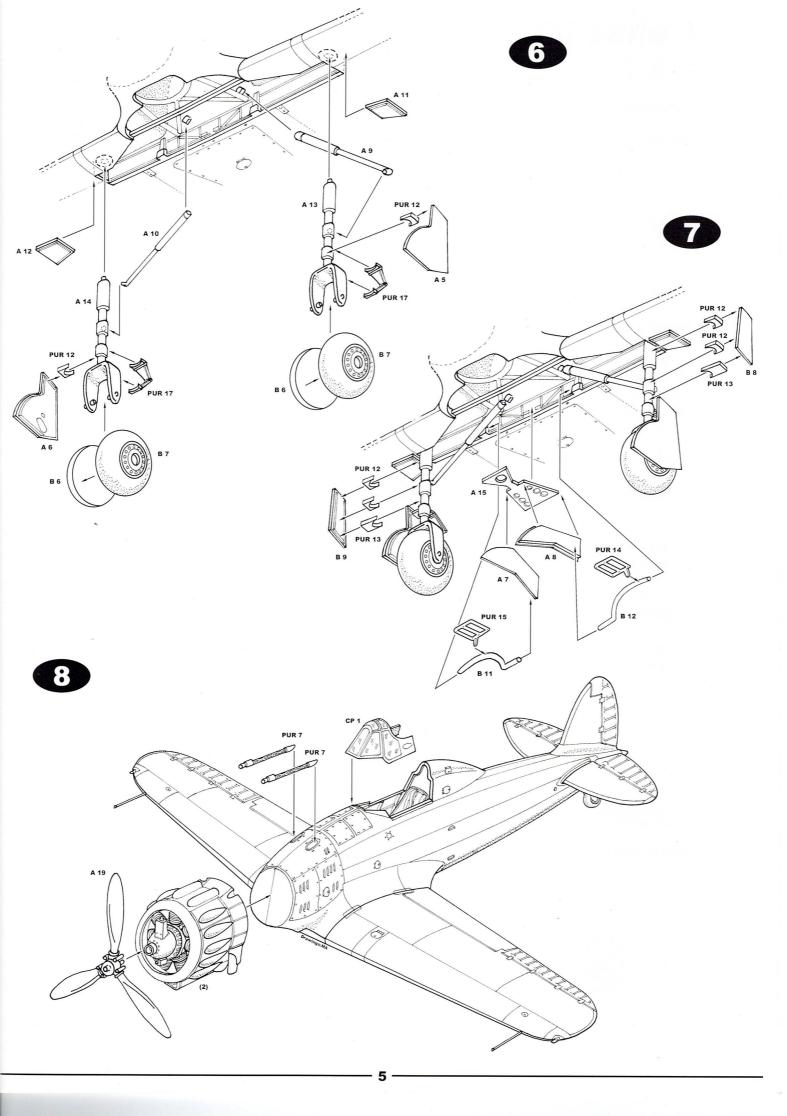








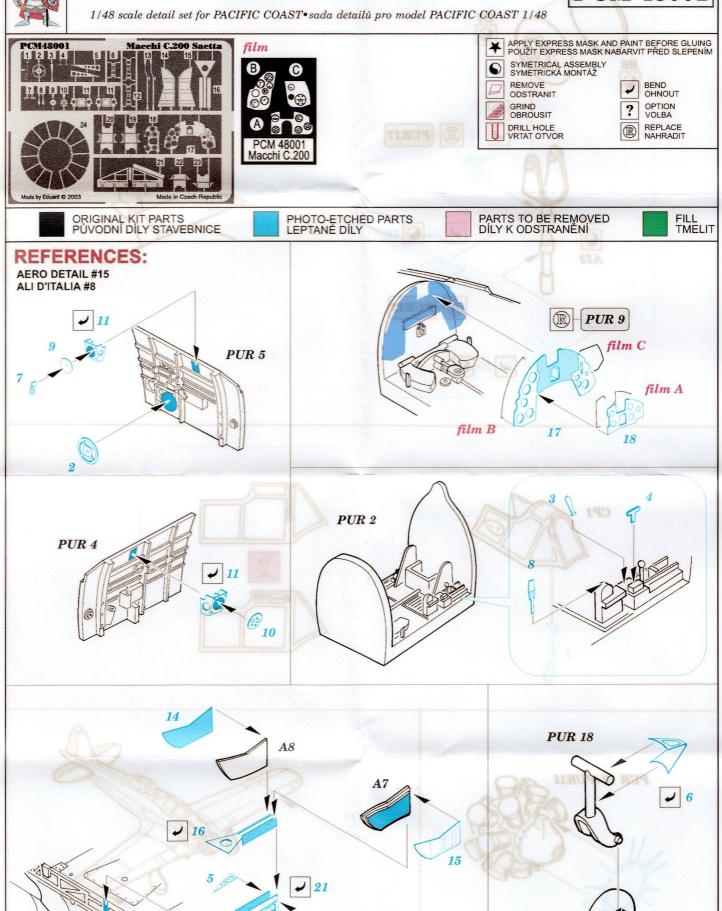




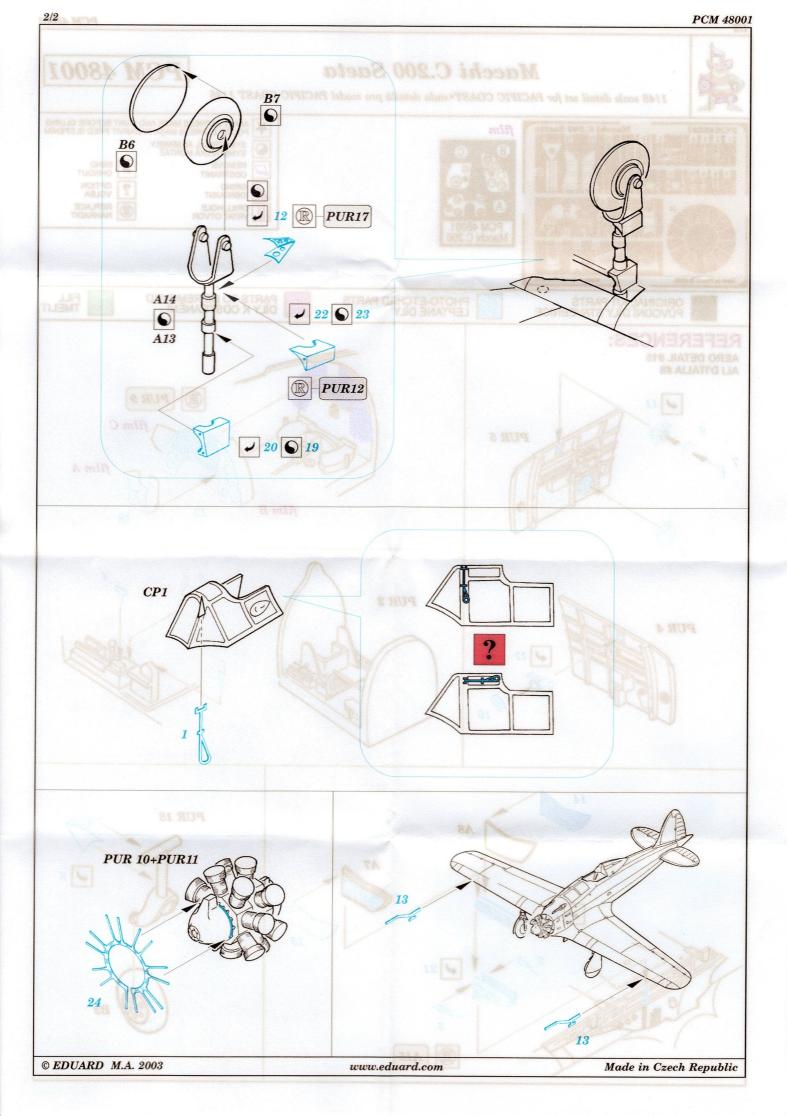


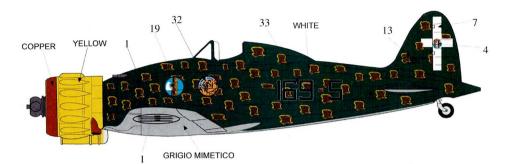
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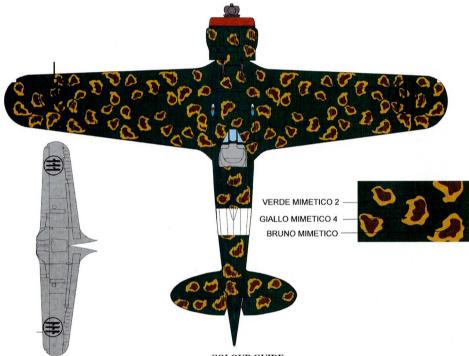


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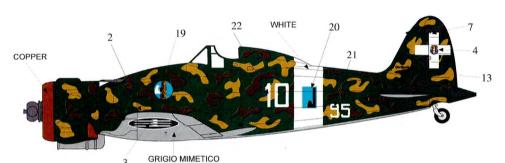


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