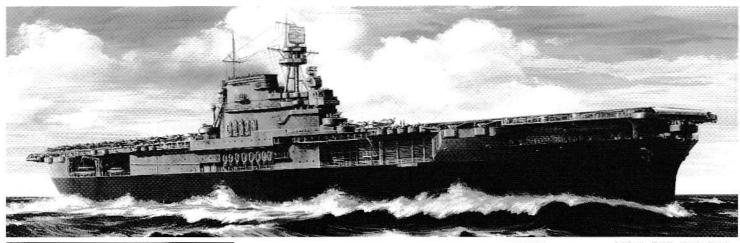
U.S. AIRCRAFT YORKTOWN CARRIER

ウォーターラインシリーズ NO.712 アメリカ海軍 航空母艦 ヨークタウン







不要部品……………… Not used.

A19x1, B25, B46, B47, C12, C14x2, C20~C25, C27~C32, C34~ C42

●ランナー加工の際は必ず>PS<表示のある部品ワク (ランナー) を使用して ください。他の表示のランナーを使用すると有害なガスが発生する場合があります。

●作る前に説明書をよくお読みください。また、小学生などの低年齢の方が 組み立てるときは、保護者の方もお読みください。●工具の使用には十分注意してください。特 にナイフ、ニッパーなどの刃物によるケガ、事故に注意してください。●接着剤や塗料を使用す る時はそれぞれの注意書をよく読み、指示に従って正しく使用してください。また、使用する時 は室内の換気に十分注意してください。●小さなお子様のいる場所での工作はしないでくださ い。小さな部品の飲み込みや、ビニール袋をかぶっての窒息など危険な状況が考えられます。

WARNING Only heat sprues marked with >P\$<. Other plastics may generate hazardous gases when heated.

CAUTION Read carefully and fully understand the instructions before commencing assembly. A supervising adult should also read the instructions if a child assembles the model. When assembling this kit, tools including knives are used. Extra care should be taken to avoid personal injury. Read and follow the instructions supplied with paints and /or cement, if used (not included in kit).

Keep out of reach of small children, Children must not be allowed to put any parts in their mouths or pull vinyl bags over their heads.

●用意する工具 Tools recommended

接着剤 (プラスチック用) Cement









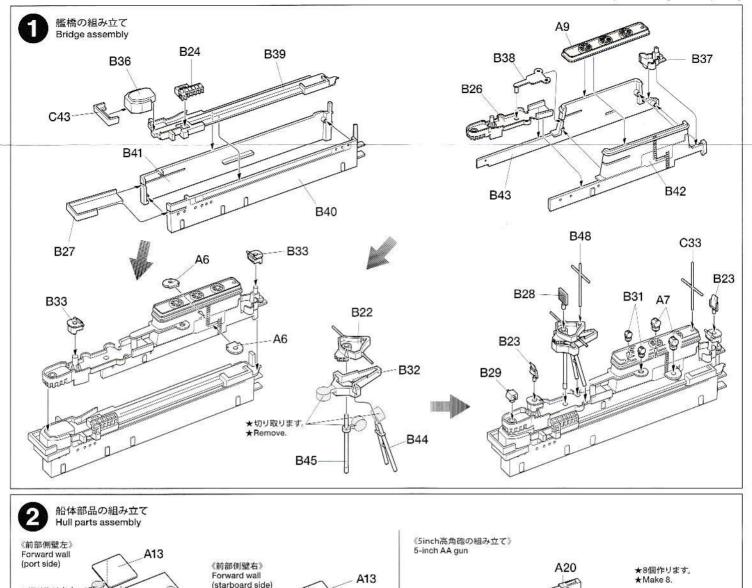


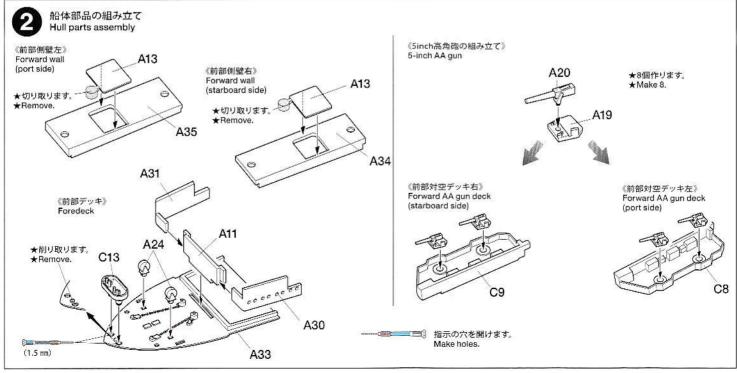


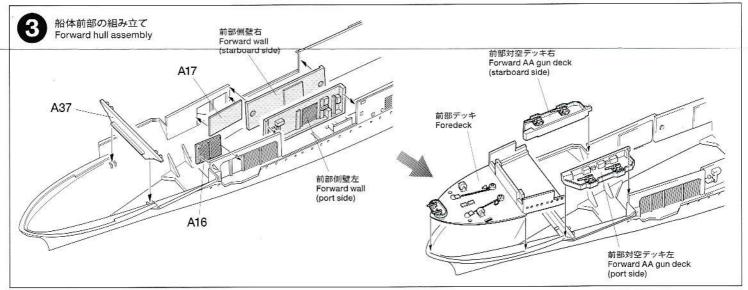


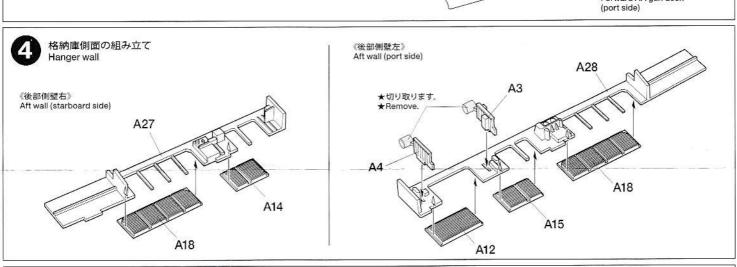
●使用する塗料 Paints required

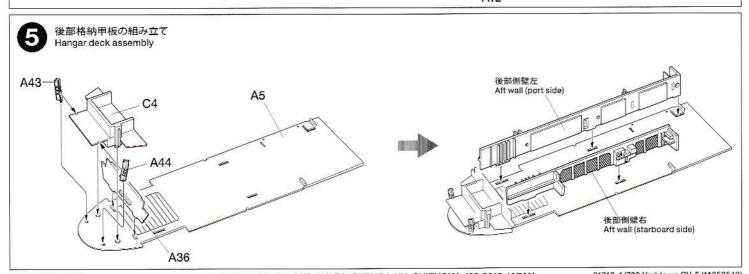
- XF-1 ●フラットブラック / Flat black
- XF-2 ●フラットホワイト / Flat white
- XF-18 ●ミディアムブルー / Medium blue
- XF-19●スカイグレイ / Sky grey
- XF-50 ●フィールドブルー / Field blue
- ★塗装は別紙のカラー図を参考にしてください。 ★Refer to the separate Painting Guide for painting.

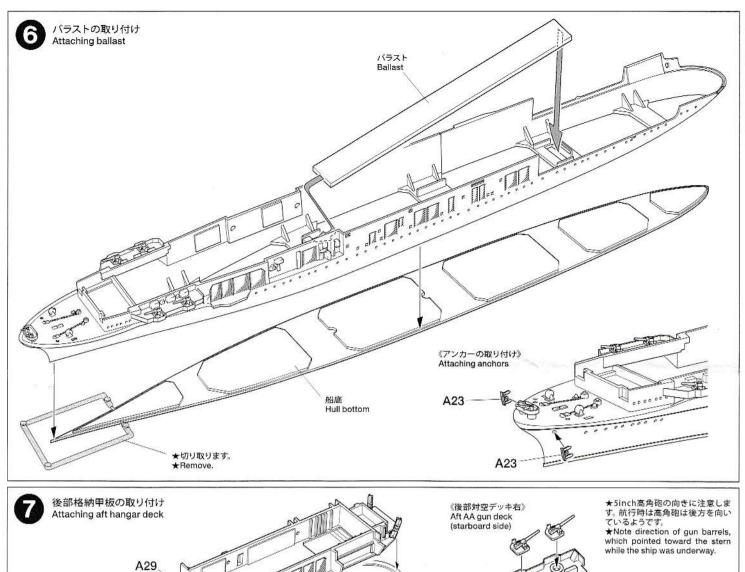


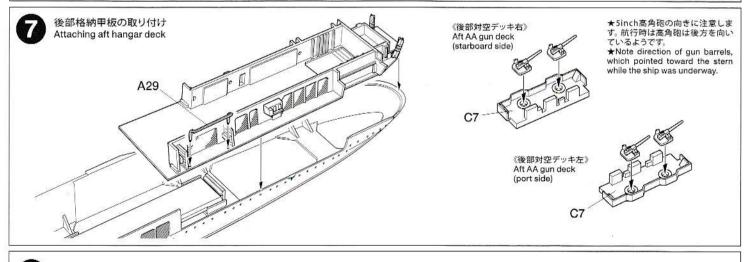


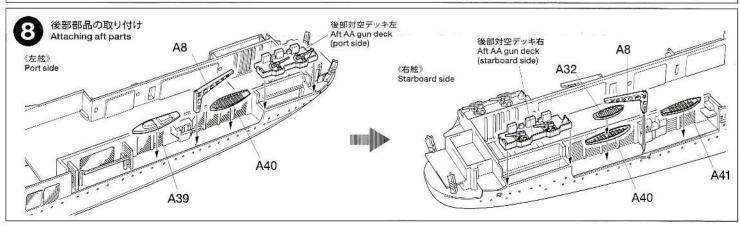


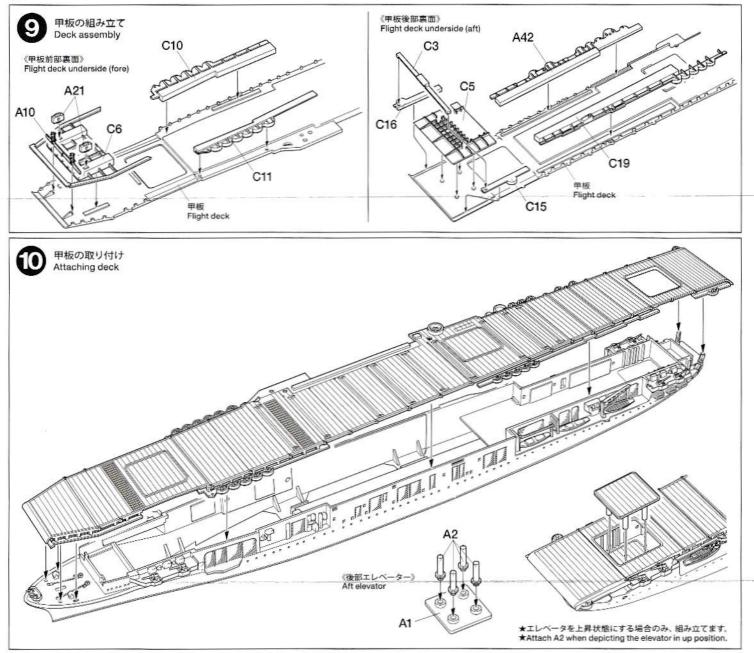


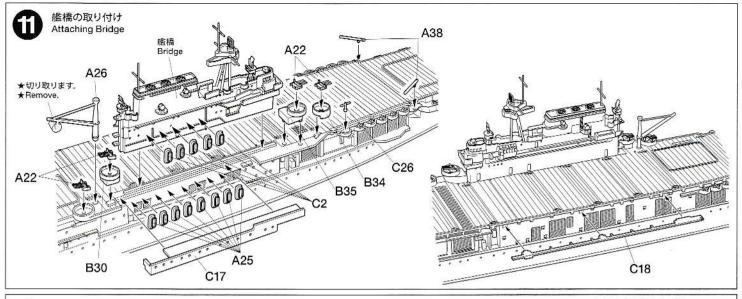


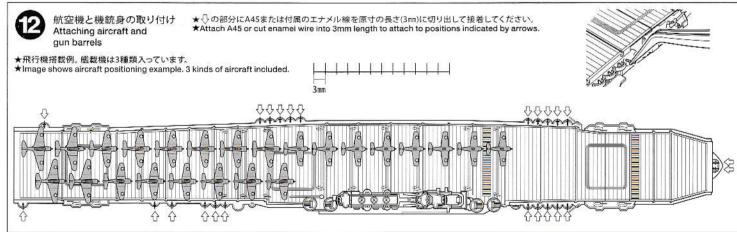














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■ The Lead Ship of Her Class

With the number of capital ships which it could possess strictly limited by naval armaments treaties, the U.S. Navy began experimenting with the use of aircraft carriers during the 1920s and early-1930s. Based on lessons learned from operating the battlecruiser-based Lexington-class ships and the small, but purpose-built USS Ranger, specifications for the Yorktown-class of aircraft carriers were developed. These requirements called for the new ships to have sufficient speed to accompany the battle fleet, protection against aerial bombs and torpedoes, aircraft carrying capacity which equaled that of larger carriers, and the flexibility to operate ever bigger and more powerful aircraft. To meet these demands, geared turbines which produced a total of 120,000hp were installed to enable a 33 knot top speed while a system of suspending aircraft from the hangar roof allowed the ships to carry about ninety aircraft. Although their flight decks were unarmored, armored hangar floors and efficient damage control teams meant they had the ability to absorb and survive a great deal of punishment.

The first ship of the class, USS Yorktown (CV-5), was completed by the Newport News Shipbuilding Company in Virginia and commissioned in September 1937. She was initially assigned to the U.S. Atlantic Fleet and participated in various exercises and patrols off the Eastern seaboard. Yorktown was followed by two sister ships; the USS Enterprise (CV-6), which went on to survive the war; and the USS Hornet (CV-8), which launched the B-25 bombers of the famous Doolittle Raid. The experience gained from building and operating these three ships would eventually be applied to the later Essex-class carriers.

■ The Yorktown's Early Battles

In December 1941, Yorktown was transferred to the Pacific Flect, which had been devastated by the Japanese surprise attack on Pearl Harbor, to reinforce it. She became the flagship of Rear Admiral Frank Fletcher's Task Force 17 and proceeded to conduct operations around the Pacific. In May 1942, she had the distinction of participating in the first ever carrier-versus-carrier engagement in naval history at the Battle of the Coral Sea. Although the Yorktown suffered damage during this action, the U.S. forces successfully thwarted Japanese plans to advance on Port Moresby in New Guinea.

Yorktown withdrew to Pearl Harbor after the battle and initial assessments concluded that at least ninety days were required to fully repair her. However, Admiral Chester Nimitz, the commander-in-chief of the U.S. Pacific Fleet, ordered an around the clock emergency repair effort in order to get the Yorktown back into action quickly. The reason for this haste was that the U.S. had deciphered Japanese military codes and was therefore aware of their impending operation to capture Midway Island. The U.S. Pacific Fleet had only two fully-operational aircraft carriers, the Enterprise and the Hornet, so the availability of an additional carrier in the form of the Yorktown became vital to the American fleet's chances of successfully repelling the Japanese attack. Following three days of non-stop work, Yorktown was patched up sufficiently to set sail from Pearl Harbor on the morning of the fourth day, although repair crews continued to

conduct repairs on board while the ship was en route to the battle.

The course of the war in the Pacific was decided at the pivotal Battle of Midway on June 4th, when aircraft from the Yorktown, Enterprise, and Hornet sank the Japanese aircraft earriers Akagi, Kaga, Soryu, and Hiryu. However, the Hiryu managed to launch a counter strike against the American carriers before her own demise and these aircraft immobilized the Yorktown with bombs and torpedoes. While efforts to save the ship were underway. Yorktown was discovered by the Japanese submarine 1-168 and thus her fate was sealed by the latter's torpedoes.

■ Yorktown's Air Group During the Battle of Midway

After the Battle of the Coral Sea, some of the Yorktown's depleted squadrons were disembarked at Pearl Harbor. Aircraft from the USS Saratoga's Air Group were correspondingly embarked as reinforcements. Therefore the Yorktown's Air Group during the Battle of Midway is thought to consist of twenty-five Grumman F4F Wildcat fighters, thirty-seven Douglas SBD Dauntless dive bombers, and fourteen Douglas TBD Devastator torpedo bombers. Although the Mitsubishi A6M Zero held advantages in speed, maneuverability, and rate-of-climb performance, the Wildcat was one of the W Allied aircraft which could counter the Japanese fighter at the time. The Dauntless was a capable aircraft which could carry a large bomb load and it formed the backbone of U.S. carrier bomber squadrons. The Devastator was first introduced in 1937 as the U.S. Navy's first all-metal monoplane, but its obsolescence was made painfully clear when almost all of the attacking TBDs were lost during the Battle of Midway.

PAINTING

Painting the Yorktown

During the Battle of Midway, the Yorktown was painted in the U.S. Navy's Measure-12 camouflage pattern. Surfaces of the hull above the hangar deck line were painted in Ocean Gray while those below it were painted in Sea Blue. The flight deck was painted in Deck Blue. Its aircraft featured True Blue upper surfaces with Insignia White undersides, Refer to the instruction manual for detailed parts painting instructions. Also refer to the package illustration when painting.

■空母コークタウン 基準排水量: 19,800 トン、全長: 247m 機関: 蒸気タービン 4 基 4 軸、出力: 12 万馬力 最大速度: 33 ノット 搭載機数: 約 90 模



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