

I must start this newsletter with a bit of bad news. Unfortunately, the US Dollar isn't in good condition, and it has fallen dramatically. The new level of exchange between our domestic currency and the US Greenback is forcing us to make some changes to our trade policy. Don't worry, we aren't raising the cost of modeling Eduard kits. The only thing we do have to contemplate is a change to the postage pricing and shipping policy pertaining to our web store. From late January, 2007, the new shipping structure will take effect, unfortunately they can't sustain current levels. So, my recommendation: buy in December or early January, the shipping won't be as cheap after that!

There will be some new discounted kits available in late December, watch the web store information after December 15th.



The first batch of our Fw 190A-8 is completely sold out, the kit will be out of stock for the entire month of December. The second batch will be released in January. I already noticed a circulated explanation, that our Fw 190 is just a limited edition run. No, it isn't! This is a full, current production technique item, and the only thing that happened is that sales were unusually, and unexpectedly, brisk. The Fw 190A-8 will be back in January, at which time the second batch will be released. To supplement the A-8, here is fresh item for December 8174 Fw 190A-5 (more about this one below).

Our Fw 190A program contains many subtypes of the 190, and includes the A-6, A-7, A-8, A-9, F and G models, and their derivatives such as the night fighter versions (R11) and armored versions (R2 and R8). At this stage, there are no plans for the short nosed types, the A-1 to A-4, but there will be Doras and Ta152s a bit later on.

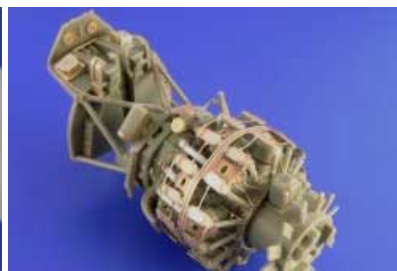
However, the closest Fw 190A release is the most special of all yes, the ROYAL CLASS! Fw 190A-8 ROYAL CLASS will come as double edition, with two kits included. One of them will contain parts for Fw 190A-8, the second one will bring something new the set of parts for famous armored version, Fw 190A-8/R2 Sturmbock. The concept of this ROYAL CLASS kit will be a bit different from the previous RC kits. First difference is the number of kits in the set two instead three, as was the case with the I-16 and Fokker D.VII. The second difference is the set of bonuses. No PC game will be included here, but we will maintain the tradition of the inclusion of a medal this kit contains an exceptionally valuable one, the Knight's Cross, which will be a full scale replica as with previous inclusions.



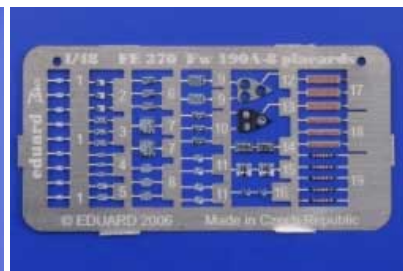
Another interesting bonus will be a small piece of the original aircraft really small, a piece measuring some 2x2 cm, of the airframe of the II.(Sturm)/JG 4 Fw 190A-8/R2, shot down on September 11, 1944, over Czech territory. We have the marking of this aircraft (Yellow 8) among the decal options. The third bonus will be a publication describing a big air battle over Kovarska/Schmiedeberg, where this aircraft was shot down together with another 37 German and 18 USAAF aircraft. We bring very interesting information about this not so well known, but epic part of the air war over Europe, with plenty of original photographs and color illustrations. The final bonus will be a classic Eduard overture PE sets. This set collection will be designed on the level of the BIG ED concept besides the standard kit color set (implicitly included), there will be four more sets for each kit contained, which means 8 extra sets 2 each of 48 551 Fw 190A Landing Flaps, 48 555 Fw 190 Tools and Boxes, 48 556 Fw 190A-8, and FE370 Fw 190A placards.



48555 Tools and Boxes



48556 Fw 190A-8



FE370 Fw 190A placards

And that's still not all. We will complicate the sales of this item very much. Besides the standard bonuses, we have some very special plans, for strictly a very limited number of kits. So, this very limited number (less 100 boxes) will be available with a piece of an original Iron Cross band. These kits will come with a higher price and will be available exclusively through pre-order, which must be placed during January, 2007.

This exceptional kit is expected in March 2007. This kit will be surely one of our greatest bestsellers, thanks to the subject as well as the content of the box. 2000 units will be released, and we sincerely recommend you book your kit immediately when bookings will be open on our web site in January, it is assumed this kit will be out of stock very, very quickly.

There will even be a third level of this RC kit the highest of which will include an original engine cowl clip with original paint on its surface. Three boxes only will be available, and we will do an internet auction to sell these three top rated boxings of the kit.

Out of stock. This sentence became often used. There are more kits very low in our stock, and will attain that status within a couple of weeks. 1120 Airacobra Mk.I Dual Combo (LIMITED EDITION) is currently at less than 100, and the same can be said for another Airacobra kit, 8062 P-39 ProfiPACK. All P-40N and M kits are very low, and are also under 100 units each 8036 P-40N, 8086 P-40M and 1113 P-40M/N LIMITED EDITION. Two WW I kits are among these low stock items too 8084 Albatros W.4 and 8093 DH-2. Two LIMITED EDITION kits were definitively sold out in November 1107 Albatros D.Va and 1112 Po-2.

## KITS IN DECEMBER

The main December release is another Würger, Fw 190A-5. The A-5 is an earlier version of the Fw 190A, produced in 1943. The main difference against the A-8 (which was produced in 1944/1945) is in the weapon equipment A-5 has two 7.9 mm MG 17 machine guns in the fuselage instead the 12.7 mm MG 151 mounted in the A-8, and two MG FF 20 mm cannon in the outer wing position instead the A-8's MG 131 20 mm cannon in the same position. The Fw 190A-5 was an important Luftwaffe unit level aircraft in 1943 and 1944, and in heavy fighting over Western Europe (USAAF bombing attacks on Schweinfurt and Regensburg), as well as over the Eastern front (Battle of Kursk). The A-5 was second largest series of the Fw 190A family, behind the A-8. These differences outline the differences in the kit there are new wings with landing gear wells with doors, and with wide fairings on the bottom wing surfaces incorporating the MG FF hatches, with new fuselage and many small details, such as wheels (both versions, early as well as late, included) and MG 17 machine guns. The new A-5 is, I suspect, even better detailed than the A-8. See the MG 17 and their ammunition boxes. There are plenty of colorful markings, as many famous pilots flew this version four of them are in our decal offering. The instruction booklet is full color again. The accessories included in the A-5 box are to the Eduard standard, with color PE sets and a mask set. Significantly, the A-5 kit is priced at the same level as the A-8, and will make this a hot seller indeed!



The second December kit is the latest and last Eduard Yak-1b. As well as the previous Yak-1 in our line, this kit contains Accurate Miniatures plastic with Eduard PE sets (color) and six very colorful and highly interesting marking choices five of the selected pilots were awarded the Gold star of the Hero of

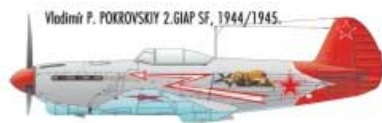
the Soviet Union, the top Soviet award. The previous Yak-1 releases were sold out extremely fast the Yak-1b took not even three weeks, which made it the fastest selling LIMITED EDITION item in Eduard history. Don't hesitate to buy this kit, delay would mean missing out on another bestseller.

**eduard**  
LIMITED EDITION

1/48  
scale

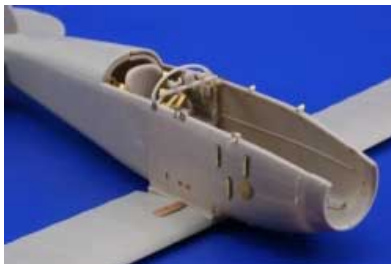


# Yak 1b



## PHOTOETCH in DECEMBER

In the photoetch line, we continue on the heels of November subjects in many areas. In the 1/32nd scale aircraft, we have another two A6M2 Zero sets 32 162 A6M2 Zero exterior and 32 166 A6M2 Zero landing flaps. There is also another set for Trumpeter's CH-47D Chinook in 1/35th scale. Two subjects are new, Roden's Albatros D.III with a single set, and Hasegawa's Bf 109G-6 receives three sets. Yes, we already have Bf 109G-6 sets in our collection, but these are redesigned to the color standard. The color sets, especially interior and seatbelts sets, are better sellers than classic unpainted sets, and because Bf 109 is generally an important subject, we decided to modernize the sets offered for this kit.



32583 Albatros D.III

In the 1/48th scale category, we continue with sets for Hasegawa's Airacobra. After the landing flap set, released in November, we are releasing the general P-400 set (49 374). The same is valid for the

Spitfire Mk.IX/XVI, where we have had released the landing flaps set in November, and we have the generic set (49 366) now. Also the MiG-23 armament set (48 545) had its predecessor in the November listing (48 546 MiG-23 exhaust). Two sets complete the Starfighter collection, there is a set for the TF-104G Starfighter (49 368) on the list, as well as the seatbelt set for F-104G Starfighter (49 036).



48546 Mig-23 Flogger exhaust

49374 P-39/P-400 Airacobra

48545 Mig-23 Flogger armanent

Turning to 1/72nd scale line, you'll find two new A-26C Invader sets, 73 269 A-26C interior and 72 460 A-26C exterior.



73269 A-26C Invader interior

The AFV listing for the month is as long as November's. We have single sets in the 1/72nd scale line, 22 111 WC-54 Ambulance. Four sets are in 1/48<sup>th</sup> scale line, three of them are various Sherman sets following the sets released in November. The final December 1/48th scale release is for the T-34/76 Model 1942.



28052 T-34/76 Model 1942

22111 WC-54 Ambulace

35929 Flak 38 20mm

Most important 1/35th scale line contains 8 sets. Note the 35 946 M-4A3 Sherman Sandbag Hull Protection set for the Dragon kit, another of many sets for various Shermans. Also the Dragon Sd.Kfz.251 PE family has a new member, Sd.Kfz.251/16 Ausf.D Flammpanzerwagen, as well as the Panther family with three Panther G sets (35 926 Panther Ausf.G late, 35 927 Schürzen Panther Ausf.G late and 35 939 Zimmerit Panther Ausf.G late vertical). The last three sets are: 35 917 Marder II (Dragon), 35 918 M-118 Super Hellcat (Academy) and especially very nice Flak 38 20 mm (35 929) for new Tristar kit.



35946 M4A3 Sherman sandbag hull protection



35926 Panther Ausf.G late



35927 Schürzen Panther Ausf.G late



35939 Zimmerit Panther Ausf.G late vertical



35917 Marder II



35918 M-118 Super Hellcat

The BIG ED sets are five this month, with two collections for 1/48<sup>th</sup> scale AFV kits, both of Tamiya range – Pz.IV Ausf.J MESH SHÜRZEN and StuG.III Ausf.G LATE. Rest three sets are aircraft sets, SM 79 SPARVIERO serie1 in 1/72<sup>nd</sup> scale and two 1/48<sup>th</sup> bags, SB2C-1 Helldiver (Revell/Monogram) and a huge collection of the B-17G sets for Revell/Monogram kit.

Let's not forget the MASK sets. The MASK line has received many positive comments over the past several months. We have 12 new sets in December, with 7 in 1/72<sup>nd</sup> scale, 4 in 1/48<sup>th</sup> scale and one 1/35<sup>th</sup> scale.

### KITS FOR JANUARY, 2007

New year is close, very close. We won't stop releasing new kits next year, of course. So, what can you expect in January and February, 2007? Second edition of the Fw 190A-8, as already mentioned. The main January release will be the Ilyushin Il-2M Stormovick in 1/48<sup>th</sup> scale. This box will contain Accurate Miniatures plastic, although this version of the famous Stormovick, the Il-2M, was never released by Accurate Miniatures. This kit represents the early two-seater version, with a straight wing. These aircraft were produced in 1942/1943 and became the mainstay of VVS ground attack power in great battles of those years, over Stalingrad, Kharkhov, Kuban and Kursk. Our kit comes with the usual Eduard standard equipment, color PE set and a mask sheet. The number of decal options are five. We selected highly colorful aircraft, as usual. Unlike the Yak-1, which is released in the LIMITED EDITION line, the Il-2M comes in the Eduard ORANGE line, and is consistent with the set standard.

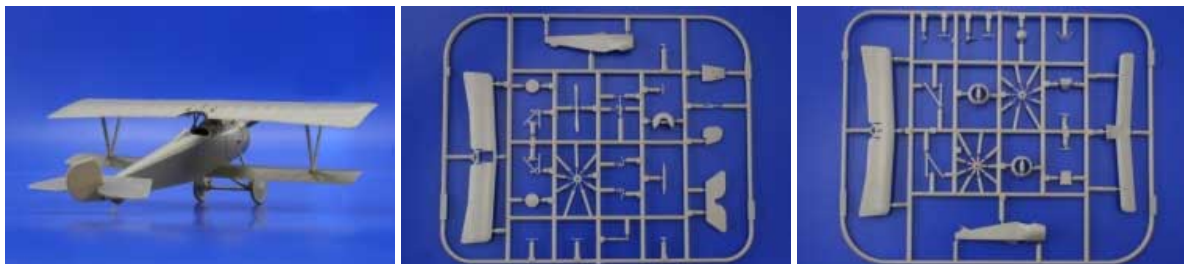


Il-2M Stormovick 1/48 camouflages

The second January release will be a 1/144 scale Me 262B Schwalbe. The new 1/144 kit will come in a Dual Combo fashion, with four marking options for night fighters as well as for a training version, and will include a small PE sheet containing night fighter radar antennas.



There will be some new WW I kits for February and March. A 1/72nd scale Nieuport 17 will be released in a historically accurate version, no more movie fiction. The first real Ni-17 will come with four French AF marking options and standard Eduard accessories, including a color PE sheet. This small kit will be released in a ODual Combo<sup>1</sup> boxing as well, with two complete sets of plastic and PE parts included.



2104 Nieuport 17

Another 1/72nd scale French WWI fighter will follow. In the form of the SPAD XIII Early Version. This kit represents early production SPAD XIII's, with rounded wing tips and early style fuselage. This SPAD will be released in LIMITED EDITION line, and will be also in a Dual Combo boxing. Marking options are four, as usual, with two French AF aircraft, one Italian and one British RFC bird. This decent, small kit will introduce a great new innovation in surface detailing all wing ribs wearing a characteristic netting. This will represent extraordinarily fine detail, bringing a new level of standard in model surface detailing.

The main first quarter kit will surely be the Fw 190A-8 ROYAL CLASS, and we've already had a bit of a speech on this one. So, let's stop yaking about next year kits. The January 2007 newsletter will be full of new information about upcoming Eduard kits, such as the Bf 110 and the Hellcats.

For now, let us wish you a very Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year for 2007. Happy Modeling throughout the year upcoming, and hopefully, with a lot of new and anticipated Eduard kits and accessories!

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**DECEMBER 2006 RELEASES / AVAILABLE DECEMBER 1st, 2006**

**PLASTIC KITS**

8174	Fw 190A-5 1/48	Eduard	39,95
1126	Yak-1b 1/48	Eduard LIMITED EDITION	39,95

**PHOTOETCHED SETS**

**1/72nd scale AFV sets**

22 111	WC-54 Ambulance	Academy	19,95
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**1/48th scale AFV sets**

28 049	Sherman Firefly IC 1/48	Tamiya 32532	22,95
28 052	T-34/76 Model 1942	Hobby Boss	22,95
28 057	M-4A3E8 Sherman	Hobby Boss	24,95
28 061	M-4A3E8 Sherman sandbag hull protection	Hobby Boss	19,95

**1/35th scale AFV sets**

35 917	Marder II	Dragon 6262	24,95
35 918	M-118 Super Hellcat	Academy	22,95
35 923	Sd.Kfz.251/16 Ausf.D Flammpanzerwagen	Dragon 6247	22,95
35 926	Panther Ausf.G late	Dragon 6268	22,95
35 927	Schürzen Panther Ausf.G late	Dragon 6268	19,95
35 929	Flak 38 20mm	Tristar 010	19,95
35 939	Zimmerit Panther Ausf.G late vertical	Dragon6268	14,95
35 946	M-4A3 Sherman sandbag hull protection	Dragon	22,95

**1/32nd scale aircraft sets**

32 159	CH-47D Chinook exterior 1/35	Trumpeter	22,95
32 162	A6M2 Zero type 21 exterior	Tamiya 60317	22,95
32 164	Bf 109G-6 exterior	Hasegawa	22,95
32 166	A6M2 Zero type 21 landing flaps	Tamiya	19,95

**1/32nd scale color aircraft sets**

32 570	Bf 109G-6 interior	Hasegawa	22,95
32 583	Albatros D.III	Roden	22,95
32 589	Bf 109G seatbelts	Hasegawa	9,95

**1/48th scale aircraft sets**

48 545	MiG-23 Flogger armament	Italeri	22,95
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**1/48th scale color aircraft sets**

49 036	F-104G Starfighter GQ-7 Seatbels	Hasegawa	7,95
49 366	Spitfire Mk.IXc/XVIe	Airfix	19,95
49 368	TF-104G Starfighter	Hasegawa	22,95
49 374	P-39/P-400 Airacobra	Hasegawa	14,95

**1/72nd scale aircraft sets**

72 460	A-26C Invader exterior	Italeri	24,95
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**1/72nd scale color aircraft sets**

73 269	A-26C Invader interior	Italeri	24,95
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**ZOOM SETS****1/48th scale (color)**

FE 366	Spitfire Mk.IXc/XVIe	Airfix	7,95
FE 368	TF-104G Starfighter	Hasegawa	7,95

**1/72nd scale (color)**

SS 269	A-26C Invader interior	Italeri	6,95
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**MASK SETS****1/72nd scale aircraft**

<b>CX 164</b>	Mosquito 1/72	Hasegawa	5,95
<b>CX 165</b>	B-25 C/D Mitchell 1/72	Italeri	4,95
<b>CX 166</b>	F-16A Fighting Falcon 1/72	Hasegawa	4,95
<b>CX 167</b>	MiG-29 Fulcrum 1/72	Hasegawa	4,95
<b>CX 168</b>	An-2 Colt 1/72	Trumpeter	5,95
<b>CX 169</b>	Il-28 Beagle 1/72	Trumpeter	5,95
<b>CX 170</b>	A-26C Invader 1/72	Italeri	6,95

**1/48th scale aircraft**

<b>EX 203</b>	F-18 Hornet 1/48	Italeri	6,95
<b>EX 205</b>	Mi-24 Hind 1/48	Trumpeter	6,95
<b>EX 206</b>	LaGG-3 1/48	South Front	4,95
<b>EX 207</b>	Bf 109F-2 1/48	ICM	4,95

**1/35th scale AFV**

<b>XT 137</b>	Pz.I Ausf.A wheel masks 1/35	Dragon 6289	6,95
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**BIG-ED sets /various scales**

<b>BIG7226</b>	SM 79 SPARVIERO serie1 1/72	ITALERI	\$32,95
<b>BIG4872</b>	SB2C-1 HELLDIVER 1/48	REVELL/Accurate Miniatures	\$74,95
<b>BIG4873</b>	B-17G FLYING FORTRESS 1/48	REVELL/Monogram	\$114,95
<b>BIG2805</b>	StuG.III Ausf.G LATE 1/48	TAMIYA	\$39,95
<b>BIG2806</b>	Pz.IV Ausf.J MESH SHURZEN 1/48	TAMIYA	\$49,95