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Heinkel He-51 B-2

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Heinkel He-51 was development of the earlier He-49. It was produced in three main versions: fighter, ground attack and seaplane.

The He-51 was a convetional biplane fighter, with all-metal construction and fabric covering. First prototype, the He-49a, flew in November 1932.

With longer fuselage and better engine it was ordered into production as the Heinkel He-51 for Luftwaffe in May 1933. It was first used during Spanish Civil War in 1936. It was successful during operations against older biplane designs such as: Nieuport 52, Breguet 19, Potez 54.

This time of superiority was short lived, with the arrival of large numbers of modern aircraft from the Soviet Union, including Polikarpov I-15 and I-16.

After that the He-51 was withdrawn from fighter duty and relegated to the ground attack role by both the Legion Condor and the Spanish Nationalists.

The He-51 B-2 (38 were built) was a float-plane fighter version equipped for catapult lauching, but sometimes had racks for up to six 10kg bombs.

TECHNICAL DATA

Length -10,45 m , **Span** - 11,00 m **Power plant** - BMW VI 7.3Z V12 engine, 560 kW (750 hp) **Armament** - 2x M.G17 7,9 mm

Max speed - 318 km/h , Range - 500 km























