



HIGH QUALITY SCALE MODEL, RESIN MODEL
**The Armstrong Whitworth
 Siskin IIIA**

The Armstrong Whitworth Siskin IIIA was a British biplane single-seat fighter aircraft of the 1920s produced by Armstrong Whitworth Aircraft. This model presents an early version of the airplane. The Siskin, arguably one of the least attractive of all inter-war RAF biplanes was nonetheless one of the most prolific with at least 450 examples being built (340 IIA's). By comparison with the Siskin III, the Siskin IIIA introduced a number of major design changes, including a lengthened fuselage with raised aft decking, less upper wing dihedral, and redesigned vertical tail surfaces lacking the lower ventral fin.

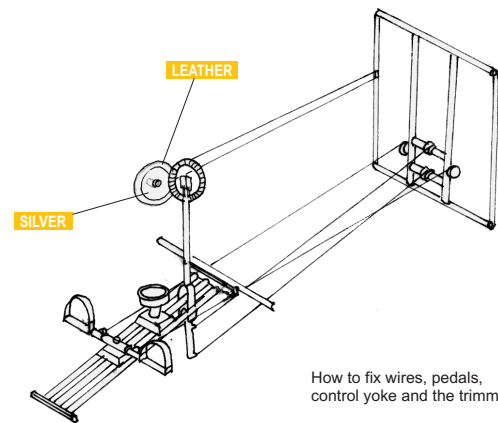
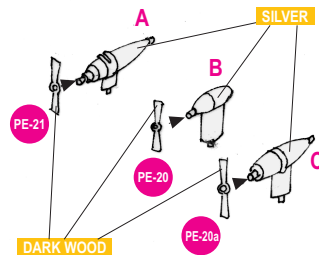
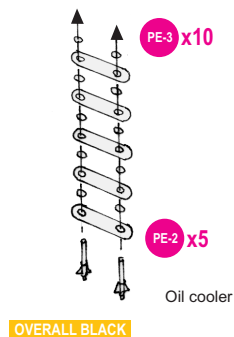
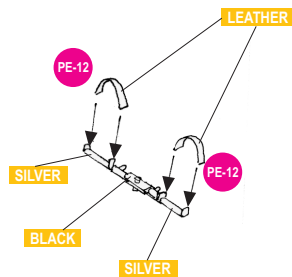
It was first introduced into Royal Air Force service in 1924 and was powered by an Armstrong Siddeley Jaguar radial engine. The Siskin IIIA entered RAF service with No.111 (Fighter) Squadron at Duxford in September 1926 and was followed by ten others, all UK-based; Nos.1, 17, 19, 25, 29, 32, 41, 43, 54 and 56. The type was retired from front-line RAF service in October 1932, being replaced by the Bristol Bulldog. The Siskin IIIA first flew on 20 October 1925, and was ordered for the RAF in June 1926, 412 being built, including 47 dual-control trainers, 17 of the single-seaters being supplied to the RCAF. Of the total production, the parent company built 159 (Blackburn building 42, Bristol 85, Gloster 74 and Vickers 52). The only other country to fly the Siskin was the RCAF, which received 12 examples. Some of these survived until June 1939 when they were put into storage at High River. The last was struck off RCAF charge in August 1947. Unfortunately, no Siskins survive today.

TECHNICAL DATA

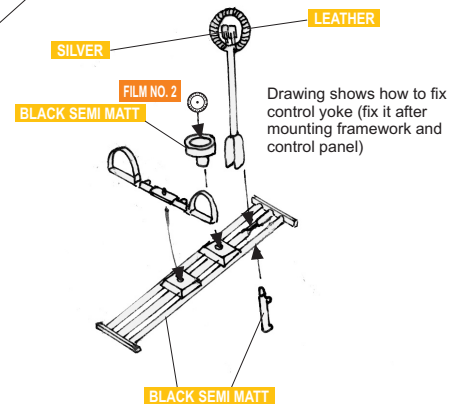
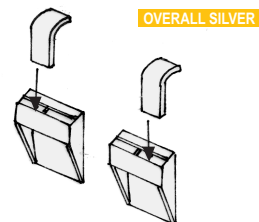
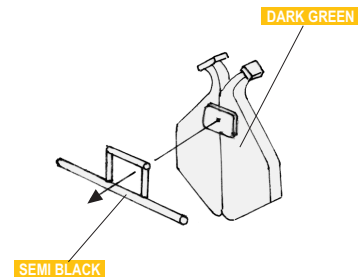
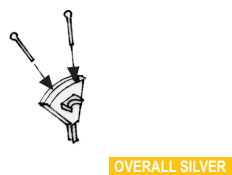
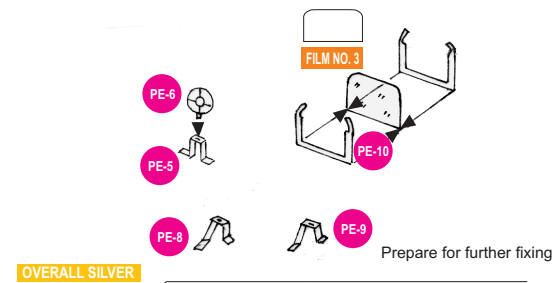
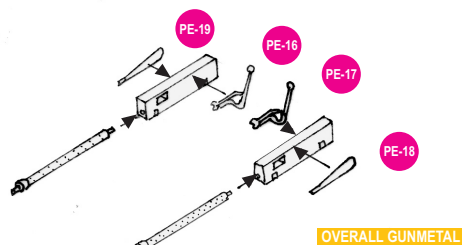
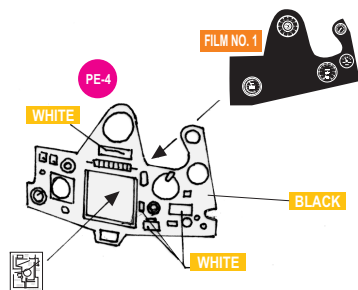
Crew: 1
 Length: 7,72 m
 Wingspan: 10,11 m
 Height: 3,10 m
 Wing area: 27,22 m²,
 Empty weight: 935 kg
 Max takeoff weight: 1,366 kg

Power plant: 1 × Armstrong Siddeley Jaguar IV
 radial engine, 385 hp

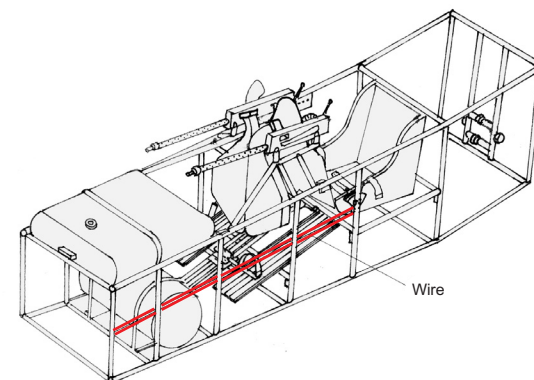
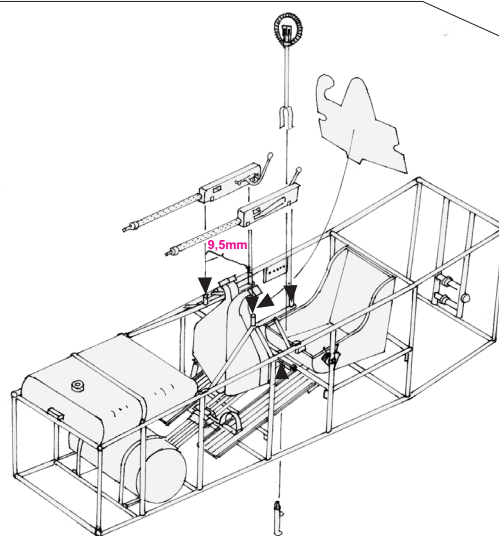
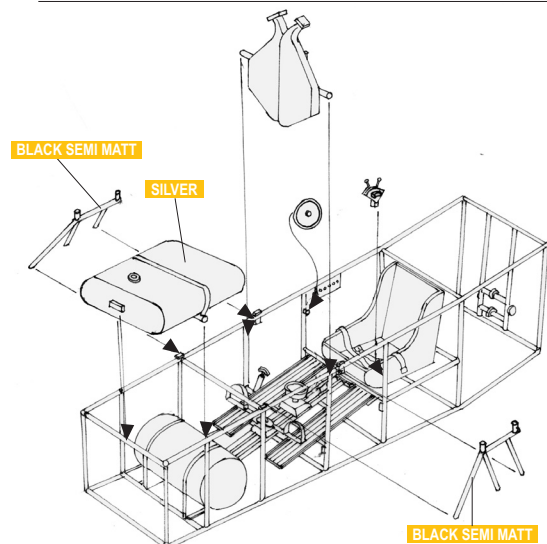
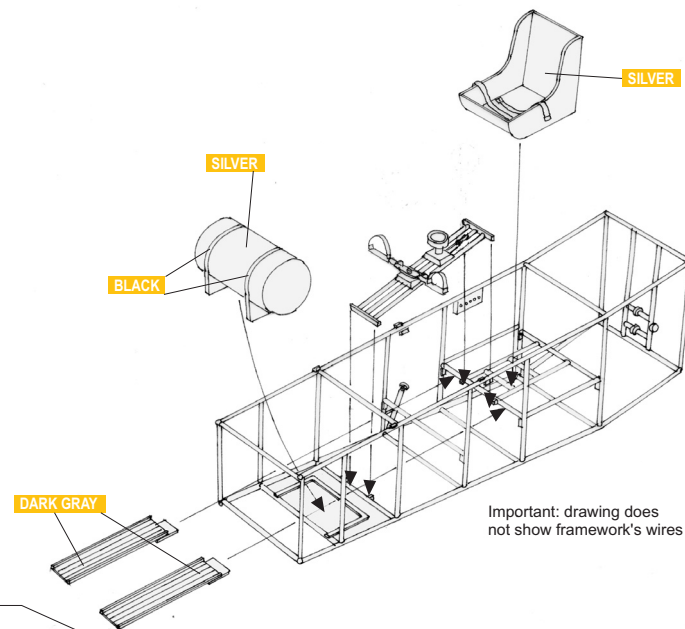
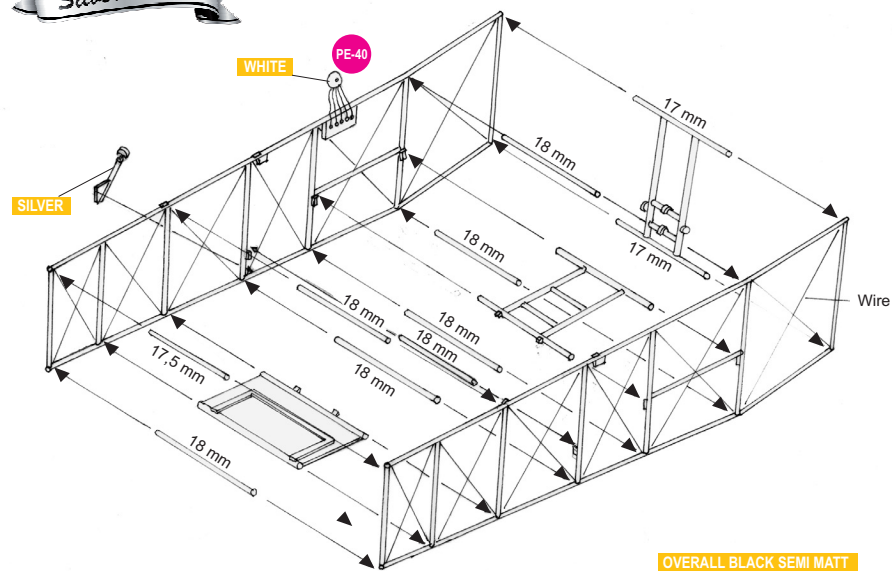
Maximum speed: 251 km/h at sea level
 Range: 450 km, Service ceiling: 8,230 m
 Armament: 2 × 7.7 mm Vickers machine guns
 Provision for up to 4 × 9 kg bombs under wings

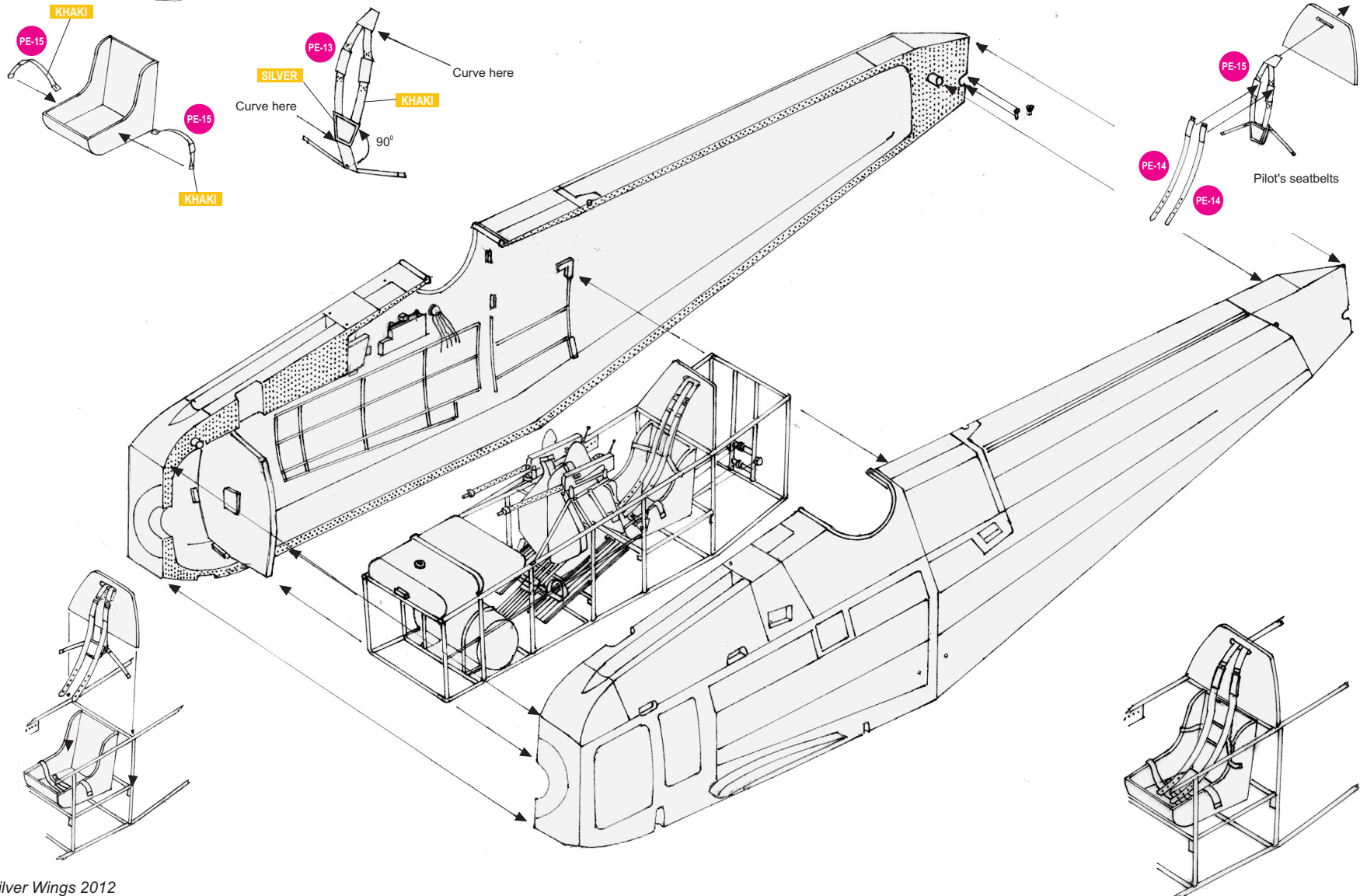


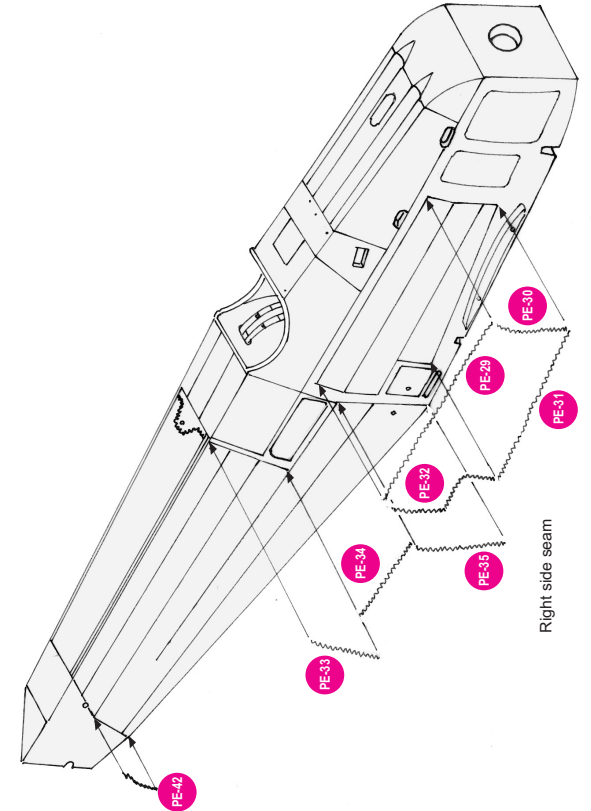
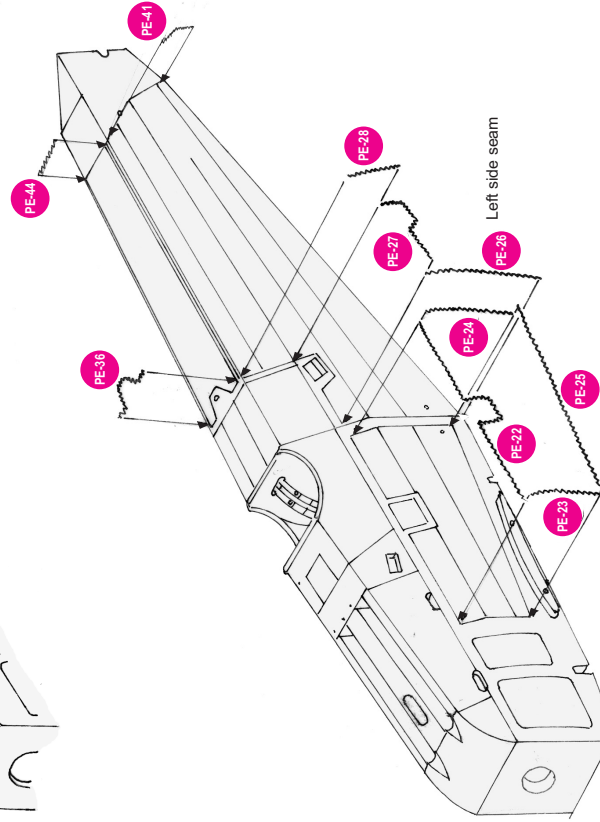
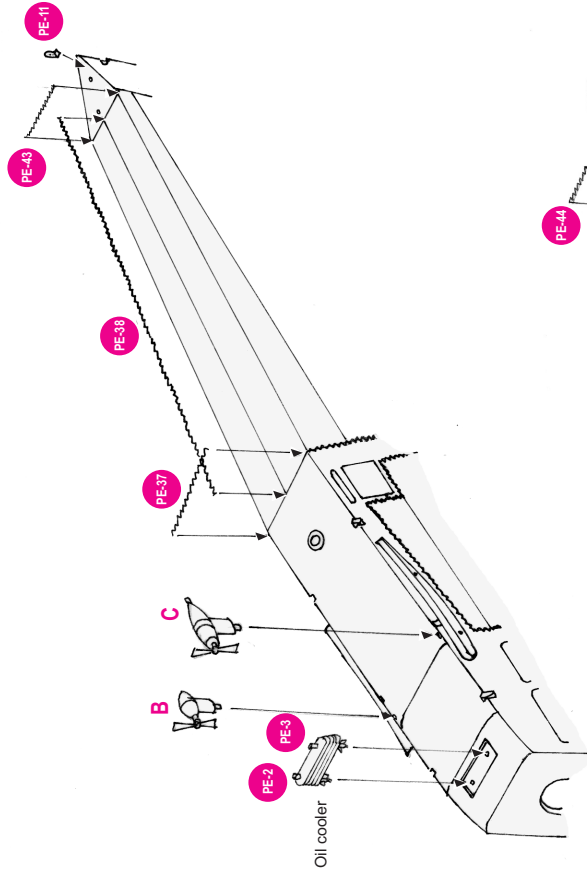
How to fix wires, pedals, control yoke and the trimmer

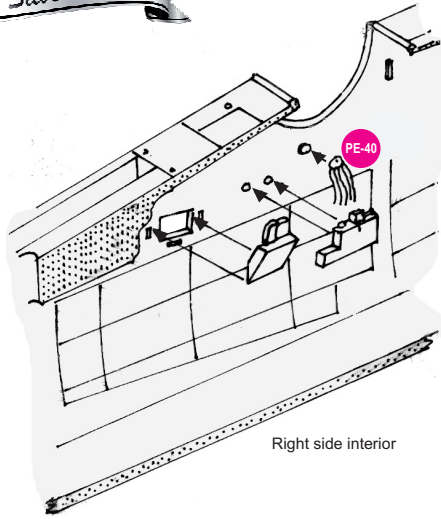


Drawing shows how to fix control yoke (fix it after mounting framework and control panel)

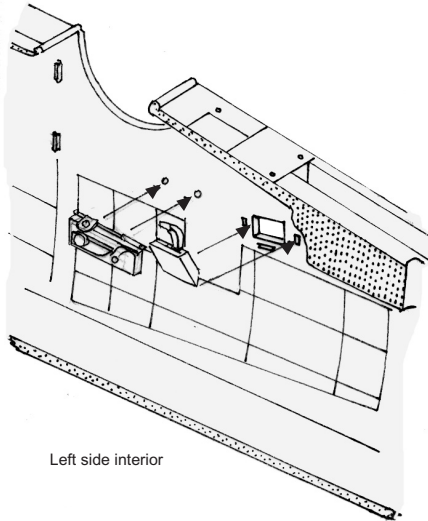




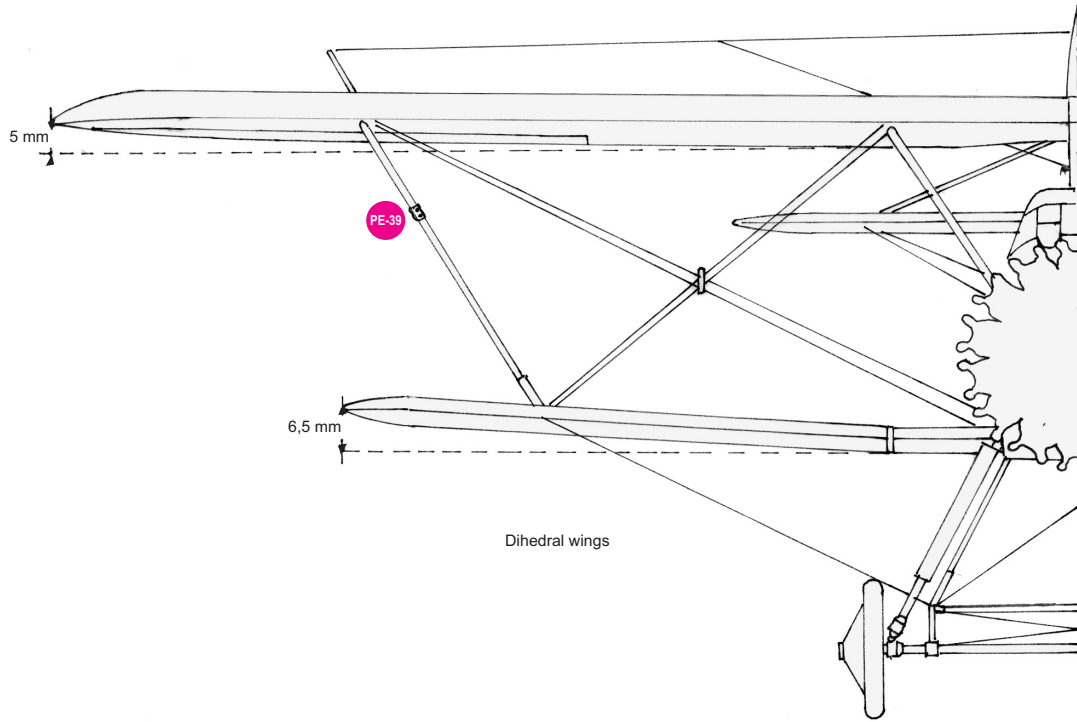




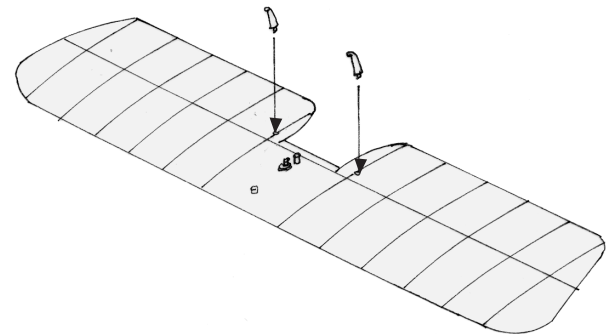
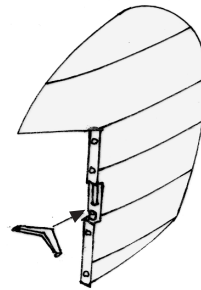
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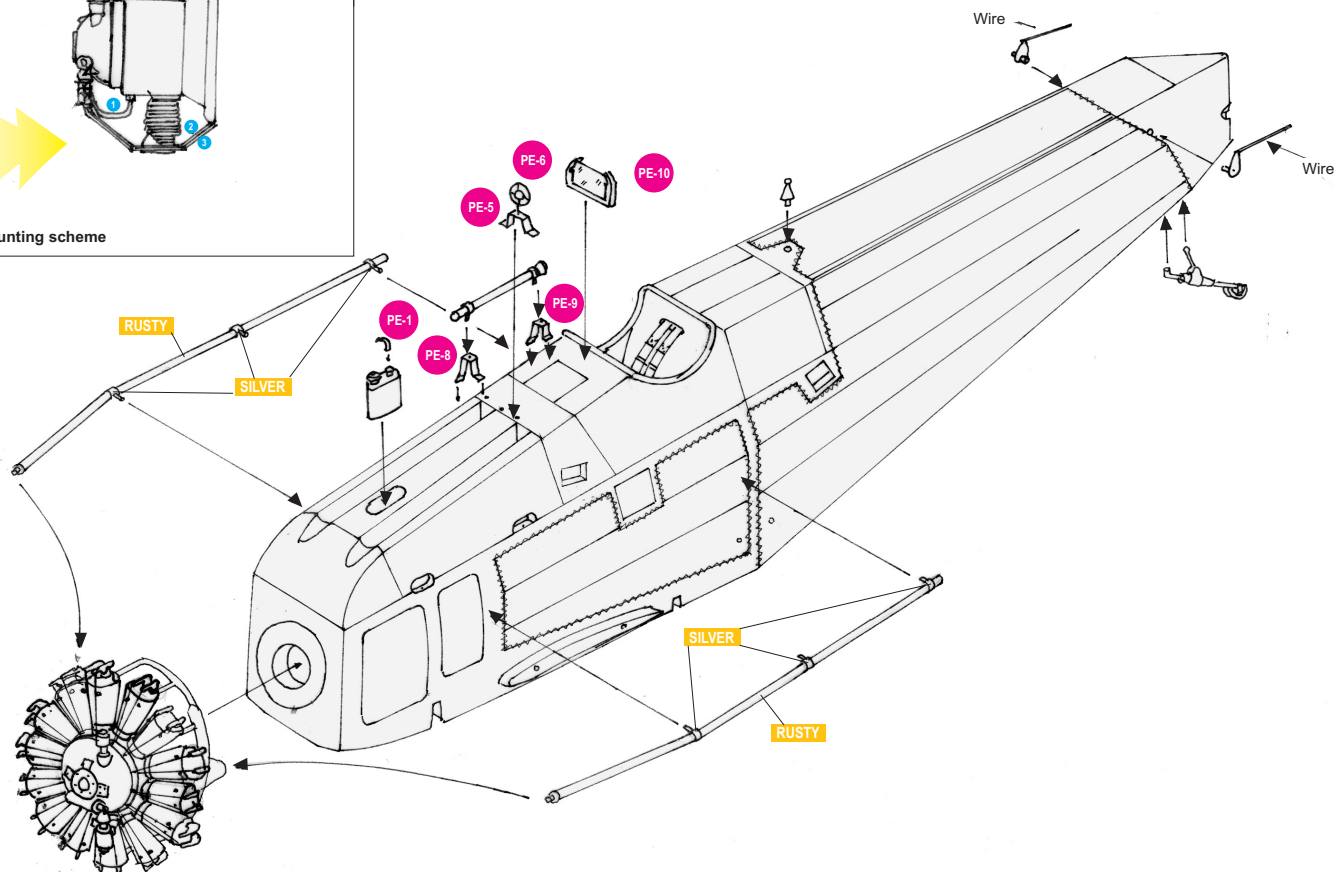
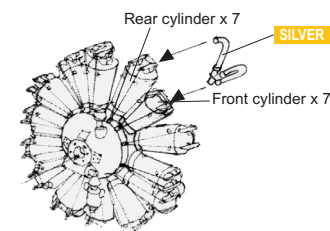
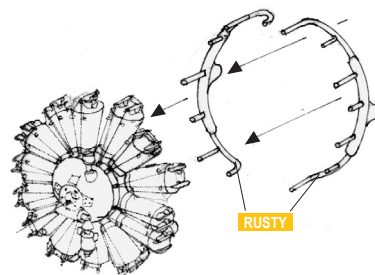
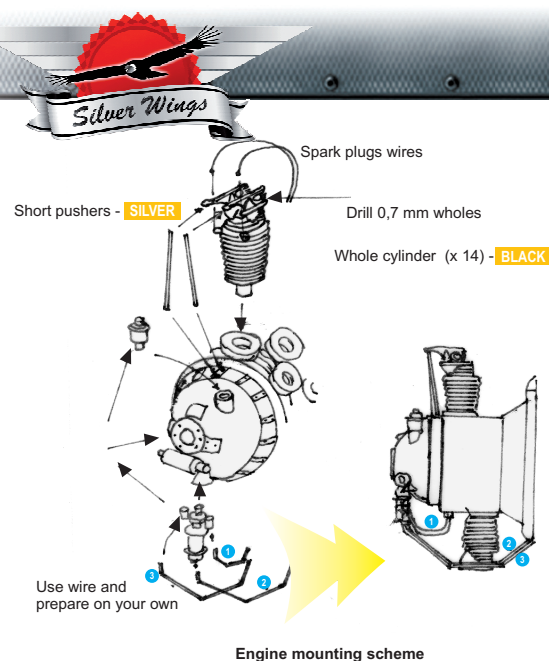


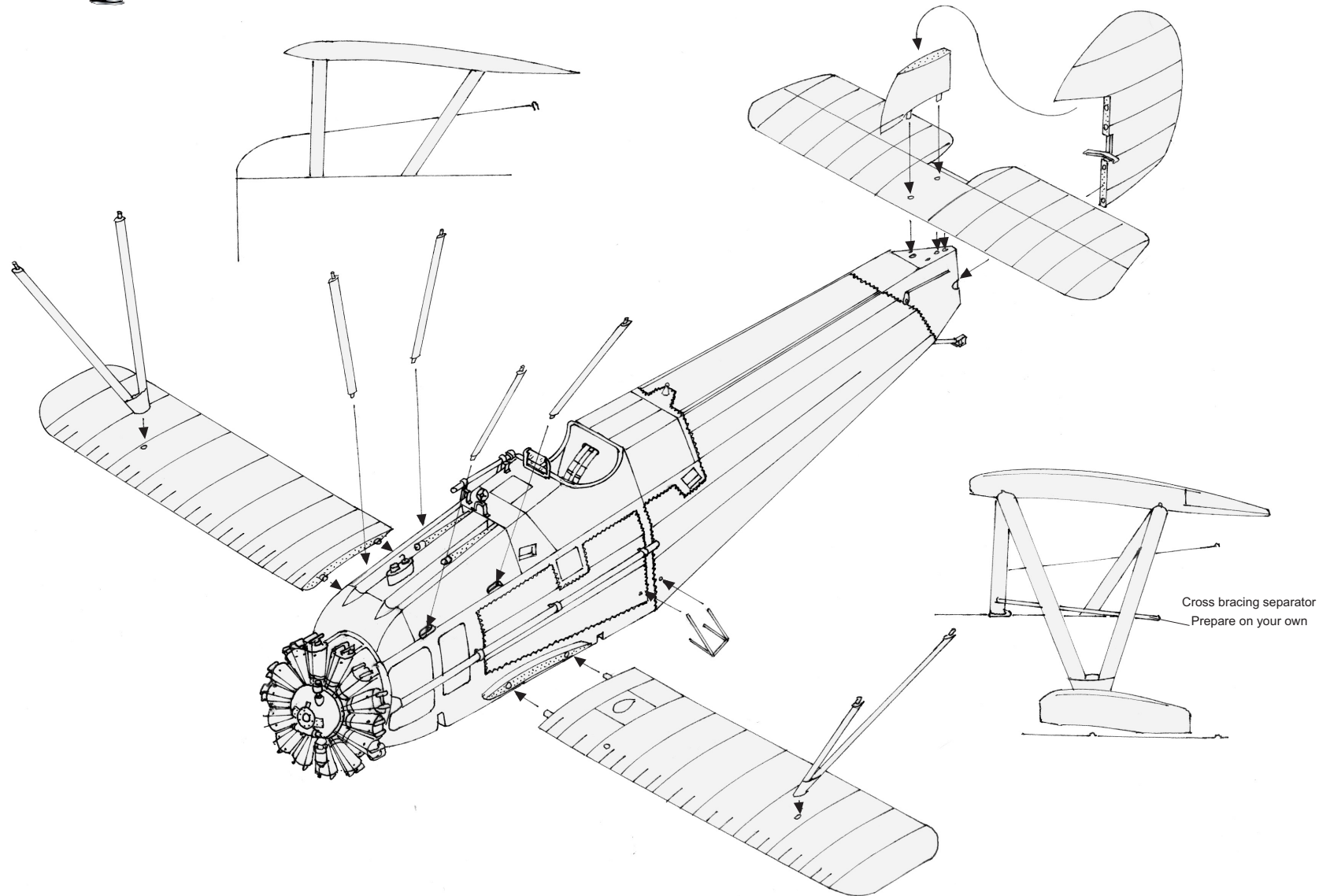
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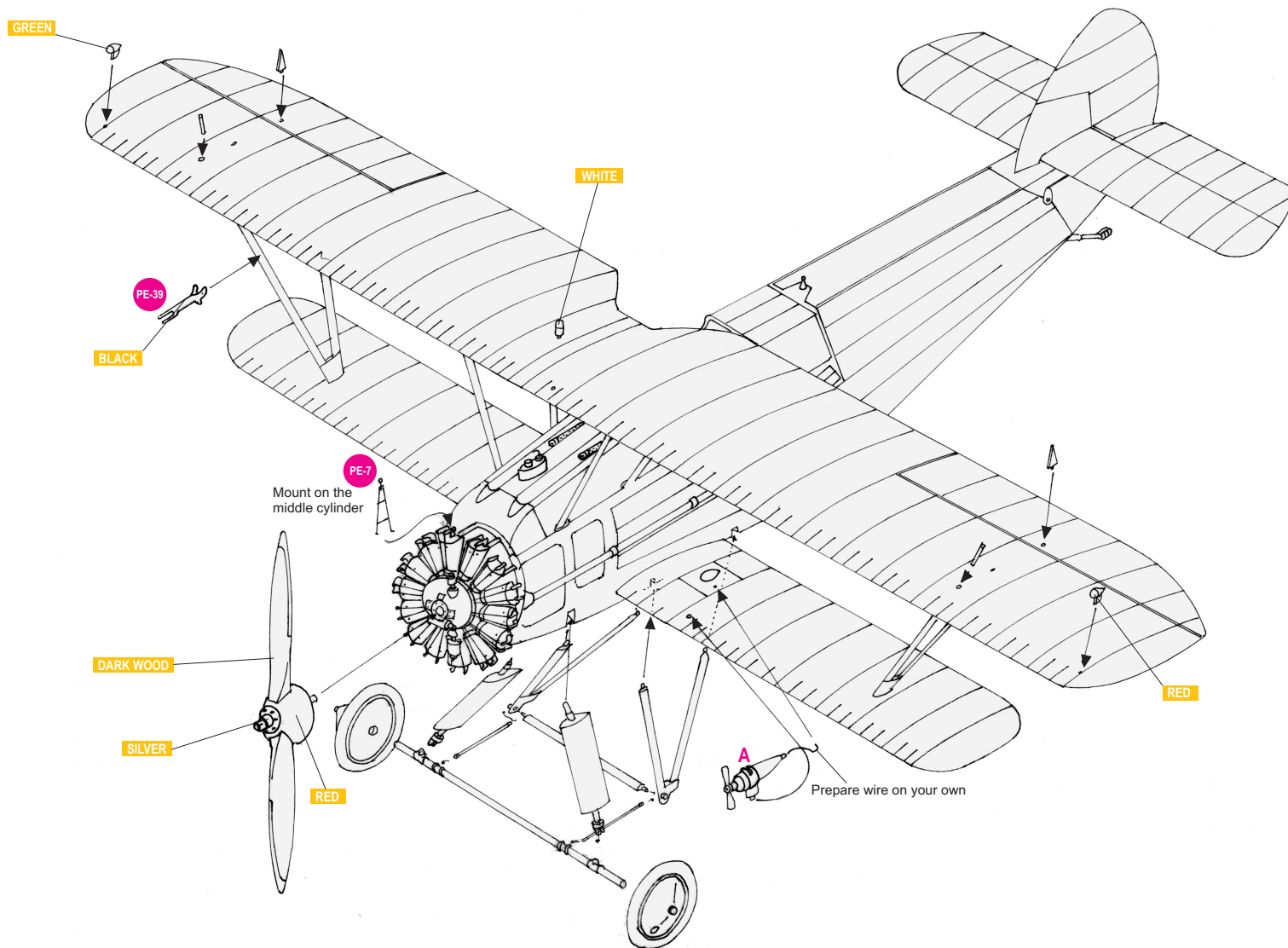


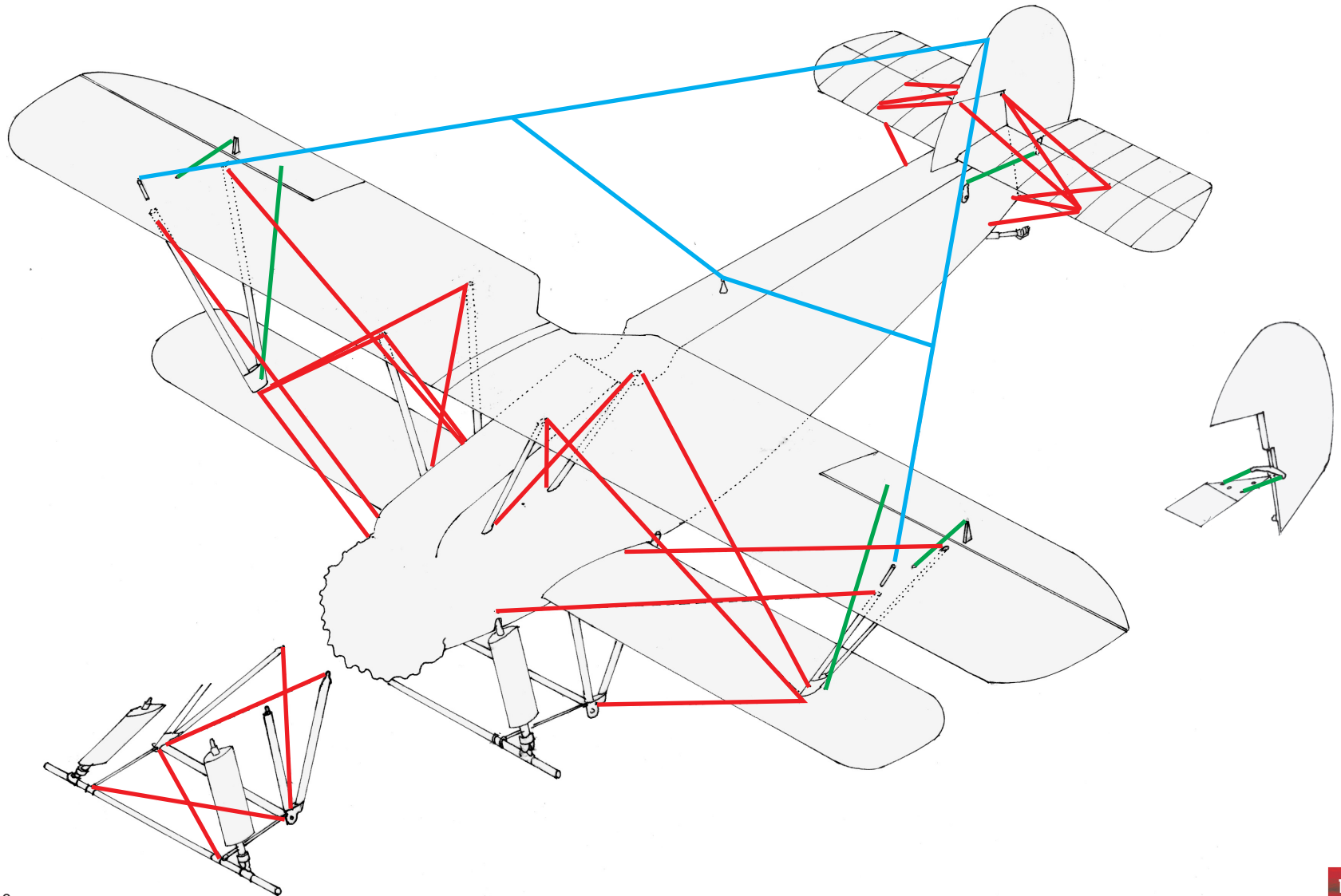
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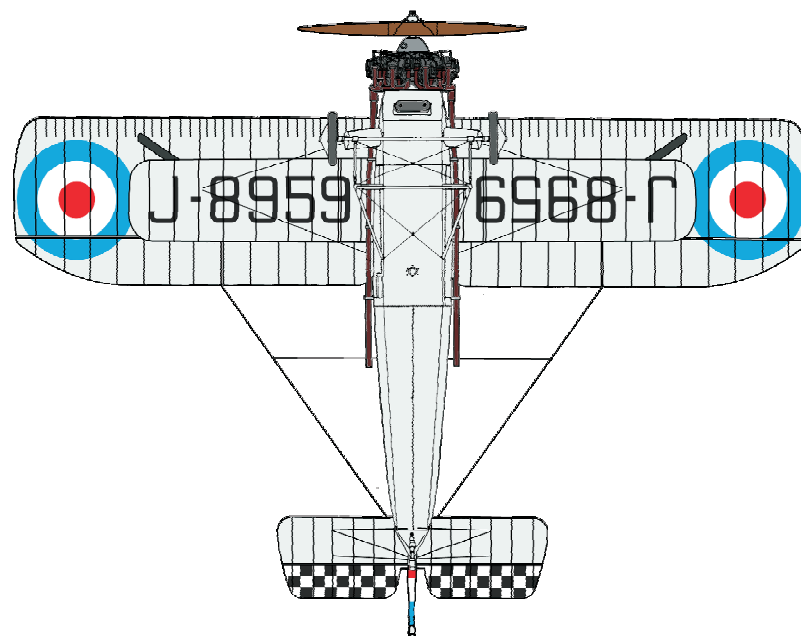
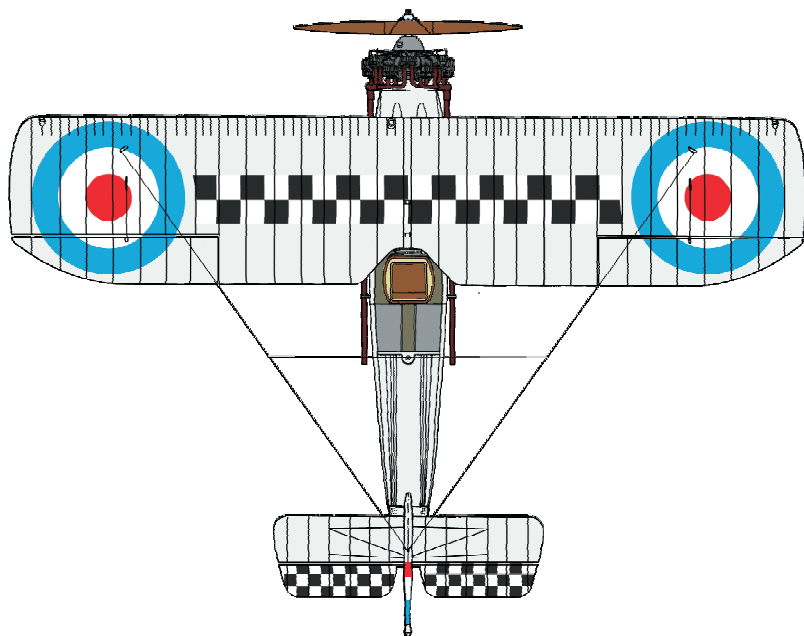






Armstrong Whitworth Siskin IIIA, J-8959, 43 Squadron, Tangmere, 1930. Pilot: Squadron Leader C.N. Lowe

- all upper and bottom surfaces - aluminium dope - FS 17178
- propeller's center section - insignia red - FS 11302
- propeller's natural polished wood - brown
- anti-glare panel - NIVO - FS 34096
- wheels - insignia red - FS 11302
- struts - black - FS 27038
- struts' fittings - aluminium dope - FS 17178
- interior - primer green - FS 34552
- radio cover - gray - FS 34176





**Armstrong Whitworth Siskin IIIA,
J-8950, 29 Squadron, Duxford, 1929**
 - all upper and bottom surfaces - silver
 - propeller's natural polished wood - brown
 - anti-glare panel - NIVO - FS 34096
 - struts - black - FS 27038
 - struts' fittings - silver
 - interior - primer green - FS 34552
 - radio cover - gray - FS 34176

