

Fokker D.VIII Rodenⁱ injection kit

Monoplane fighter

Scale 1:72

The Fokker D.VIII was a modification of the Fokker E.V after a number of accidents with this type. The E.V was the production version of the V.26 prototype (to be exact the V.26/2), although a large minority of the references state that the V.28 was the E.V prototype. It won the second fighter competition for rotary-engined aircraft. Quite a few references state that the aircraft has also flown with the Oberursel Ur III engine of 145 hp, although most delivered aircraft were equipped with the Ur. II engine of 110 hp. The kit also represents this last version.

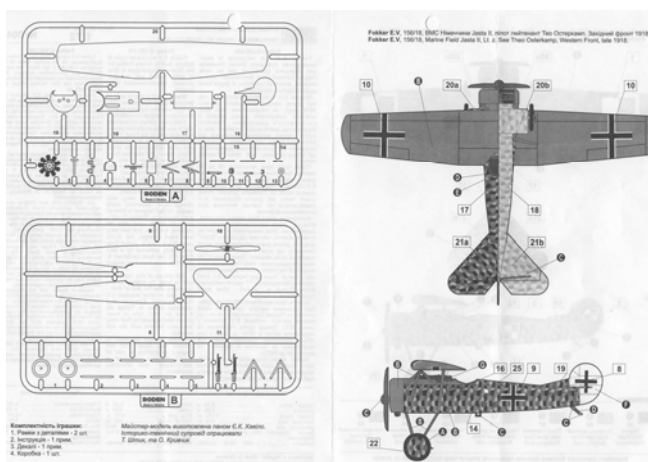


The kit includes

The instruction sheet is



I have built the version with the lozenge camouflage pattern and the early Dutch army air corps markings (orange spheres).



Alting (ref. 1), Engels, (ref. 2 and 3), Grosz (ref. 4), Hegener (ref. 5), Hooftman (ref. 6), van de Noort (ref. 7), Koos (ref. 9), Casey (ref. 10) and Leaman (ref. 11) give the dimensions of the D.VIII; Engels, Hegener, Weyl (ref. 8), Casey and Leaman present a three-view drawing.

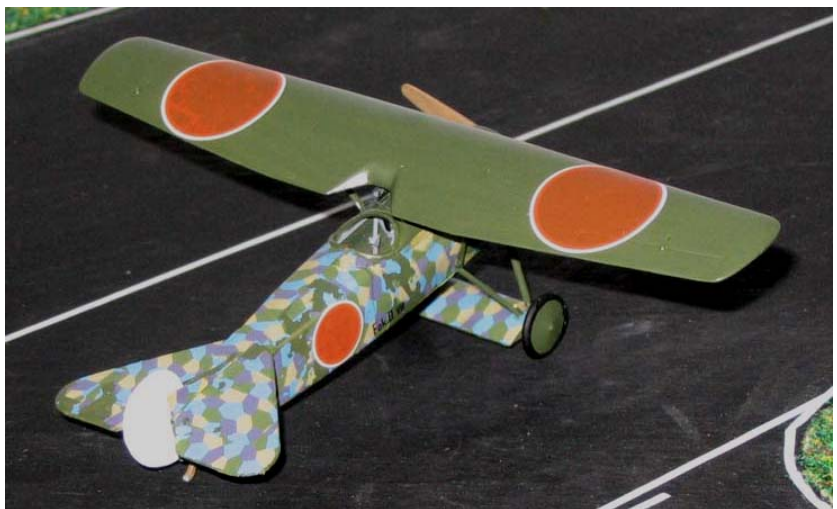
	<i>Ref.</i>	<i>1:72</i>	<i>model</i>
<i>Span</i>	8.34-8.40 m	115.8-116.7 mm	mm
<i>Length</i>	5.78-5.90 m	80.3-81.9 mm	mm
<i>Height</i>	2.80-2.82 ⁱⁱ m	38.9-39.2 mm	mm
<i>Engine</i>	Oberursel Ur II, 110 hp; Oberursel Ur III, 145 hp		
<i>Crew</i>	1		
<i>Armament</i>	2 Spandau LMG 08/15 7.92 mm machine guns		

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The decals are of excellent quality, but rather thin. When the markings are applied over the camouflage pattern this stays visible under them.



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