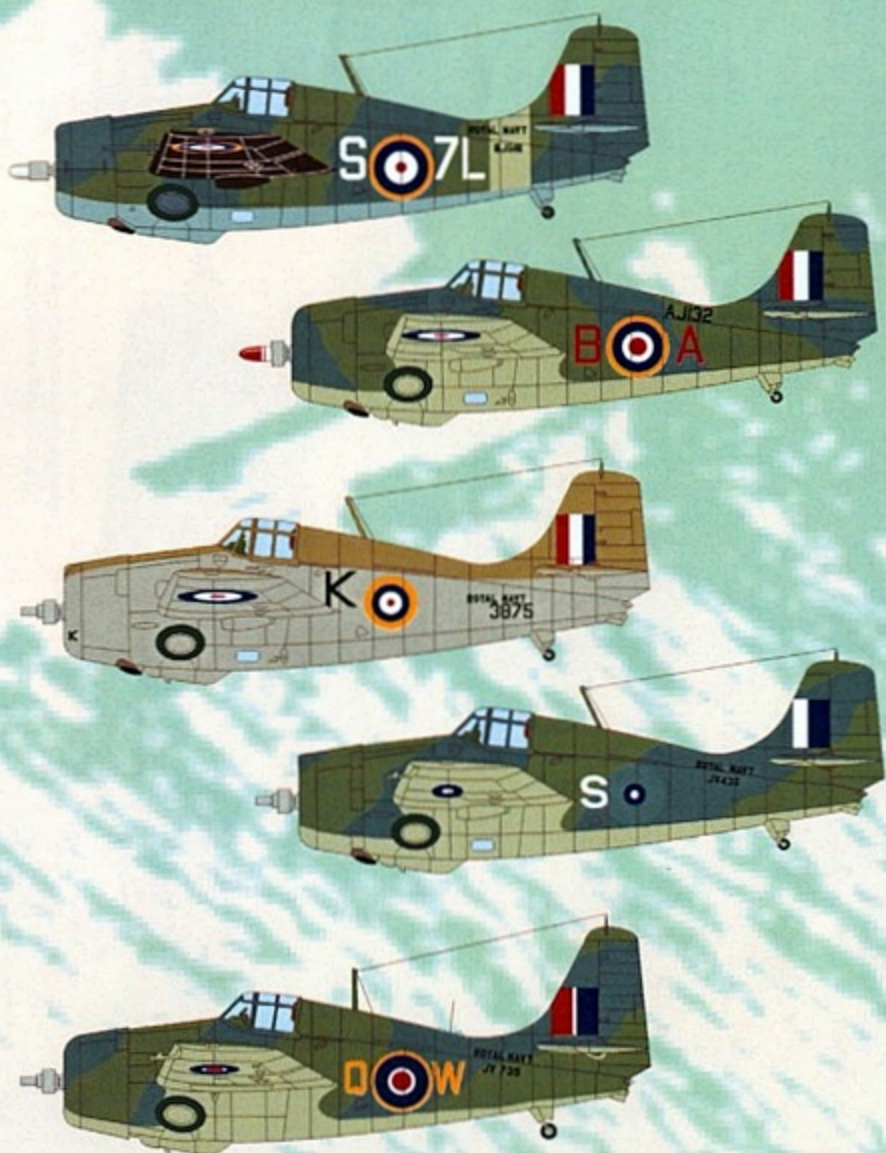


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PRODUCTS

ROYAL NAVY
Grumman Martlets & Wildcats 1940-1945

PART 2



Suggested Kit: Tamiya/Monogram Wildcats, converted to Martlet specs.



Martlet Mk.I BJ561 S-7L. 804 Squadron, RNAS Hatston, Orkney Islands, Scotland 1940. The early Mark I variants had non-folding wings and were predominantly used by shore establishments. BJ561 carries the early fighter ID scheme of 18" Sky band and Black port wing undersides. Note also the replacement upper cowl in a darker paint colour. Modeller must paint the 18" Sky band (3/8"). Starboard side reads S7•L.

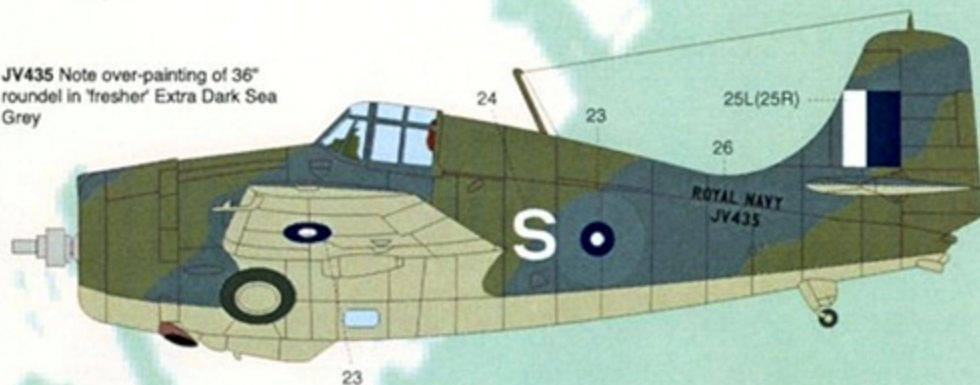
Martlet Mk.II AJ132 B-A. 881 Squadron, Mackinnon Road, East Africa, 1942. 881 Squadron took part in the capture of Diego Suarez, Madagascar. It then spent 2 months ashore in East Africa providing training and defensive duties. Note the 'field applied' conversion of the A1 to C1 Type roundels. Starboard side reads B•A.



Martlet Mk.III 3875 K. 805 Squadron, RN Western Desert Fighter Squadron, 1941. Still wearing its original US Bu number, 3875 was provided with an early desert camouflage scheme of Midstone to its upper surfaces. Starboard side reads •K.

Wildcat Mk.V JV435 S. 890 Squadron, HMS Atheling, Pacific Ocean, May 1944. Through its size, the Martlet/Wildcat provided the ideal aircraft for CAP duties to the smaller escort carriers. HMS Atheling served with the East Indies Fleet during 1944, providing replenishment aircraft and supplies to the Fleet Carriers. Starboard side reads •S.

JV435 Note over-painting of 36" roundel in 'fresher' Extra Dark Sea Grey



JV735 Scrap view if starboard side of cowl showing nose art



JV735 Nose art detail



Wildcat Mk.VI JV735 Q-W 'Wanda'.Lt.(A) H. Beeston. 853 Squadron, HMS Queen, North Atlantic, March 1945. One of the few RN Wildcat squadrons displaying nose art. 853 Squadron gave each of its aircraft a girl's name. During this period of the war, HMS Queen was involved in anti-shiping and anti-submarine sorties off the Norwegian coast. Starboard side reads Q•W.

R.D.M.2 Special Night

Midstone

US Non-specular Light Gray

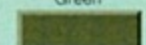
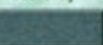
Extra Dark Sea Gray

Dark Slate Gray

Sky

Sky Blue

US Zinc chromate Green



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Note that the interior color of Martlets was the standard US Navy color, Bronze Green