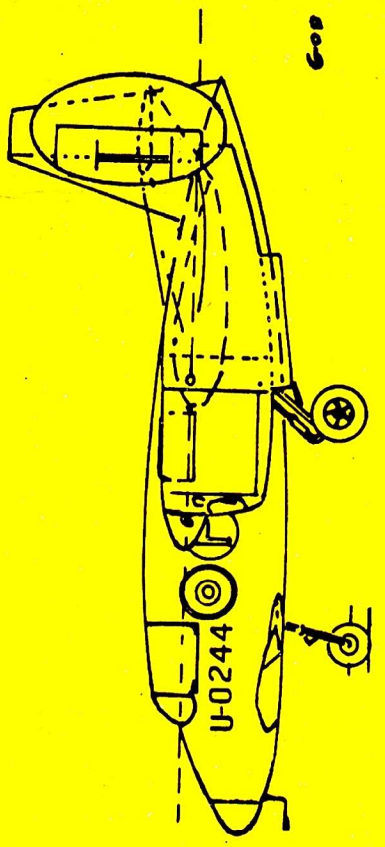
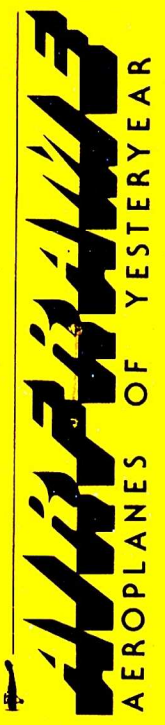


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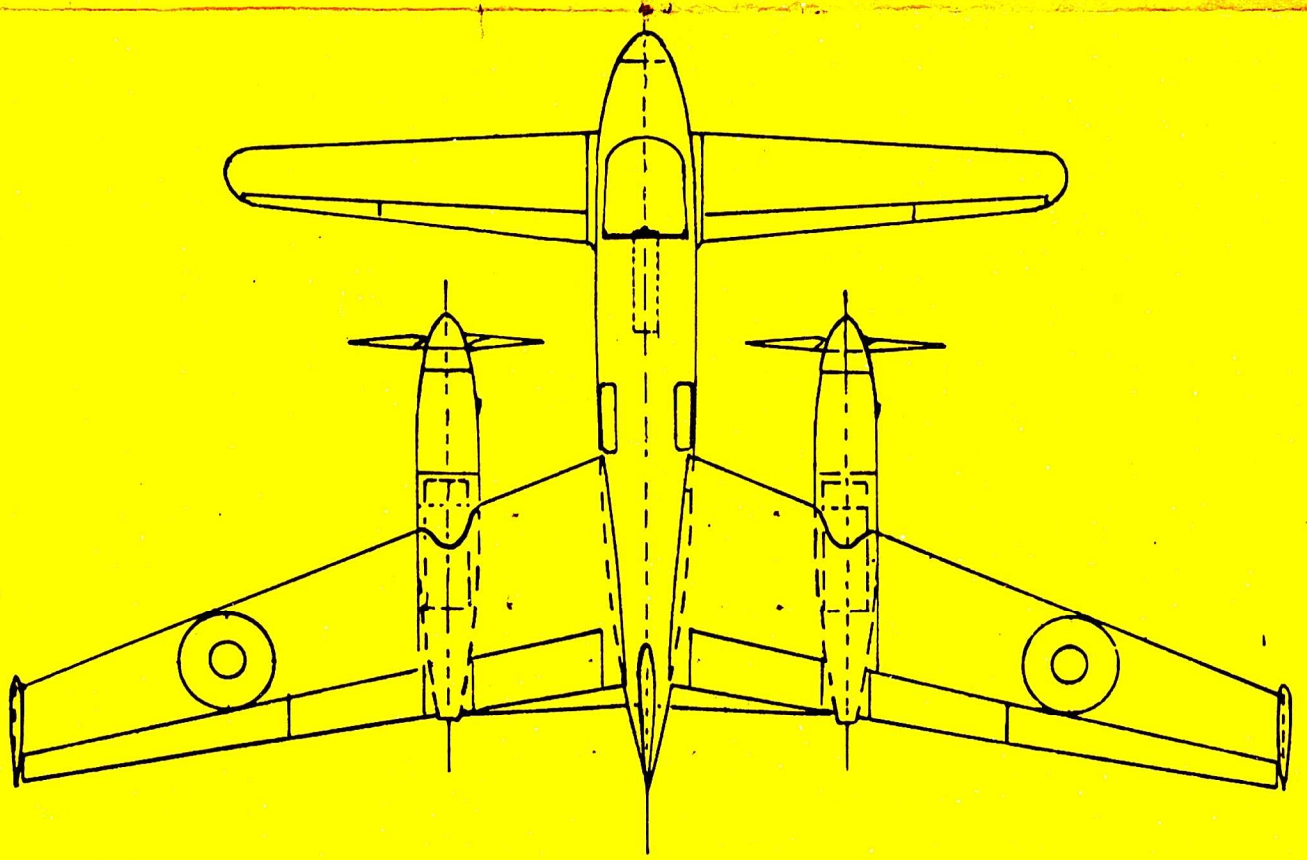


MILES M39B LIBELLULA

Conceived as a flying scale model of a possible medium bomber, the M39B was of unorthodox configuration and offered several advantages over more 'normal' designs. Powered by two Gypsy Major engines of 140 h.p. each, the aircraft was first flown in 1943 and unlike its predecessor proved to be a very successful stable aircraft.

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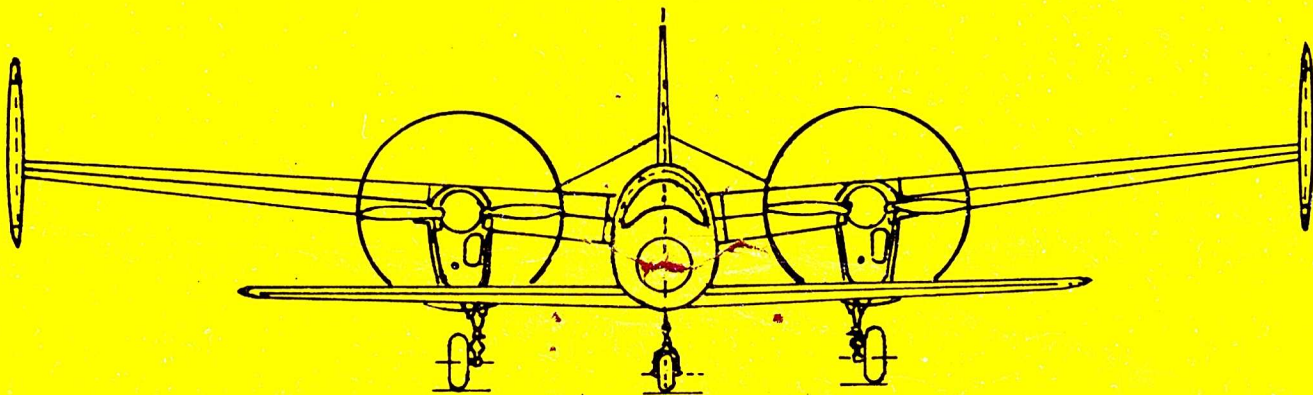
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Instructions

- 1) Remove all parts from sheet plastic by scoring around mouldings with a sharp knife.
- 2) Sand edges flat using a sheet of fine sandpaper taped to a flat surface.
- 3) Trailing edges of wing and tail surfaces should be as thin as possible.
- 4) Cement a strip of plastic, cut from scrap, into one fuselage half leaving an edge to act as a locating key.
- 5) Repeat this step for both engine nacelles.
- 6) Cut out window behind cockpit, all wheel wells and air intakes in nacelles.
- 7) Detail cockpit as desired.
- 8) Pack nose with plasticene to ensure finished model will rest in the correct position.
- 9) Cement fuselage halves together and fill all seams with body putty.
- 10) A piece of clear plastic may be inserted into windows or Kristal Klear liquid may be used.
- 11) Make up spars from scrap plastic using several laminations and cement into wing halves. Balsa wood may also be used if preferred.
- 12) Front and rear wings may now be assembled.
- 13) Cement engine nacelle halves together.
- 14) Wings may now be joined to fuselage and seams filled.
- 15) Shape and fit nacelles to wing and assemble and fit fin and rudders to wing tips.
- 16) Fit canopy using white P.V.C. glue.
- 17) Make up undercarriage using plastic rod or brass wire and fit to model. Cut undercarriage doors from scrap plastic and fit into place.
- 18) Fit suitable wheels and propellor blades to model from the spares box.
- 19) Finish model in standard R.A.F. prototype colours of dark earth and dark green on upper surface and trainer yellow under surface, with roundels and prototype 'P' in positions shown. The number U-0244 is prominent under the canopy on the fuselage.



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