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Model: TMYTAM61062

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1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides detailed instructions for the assembly, finishing, and care of your TAMIYA De Havilland Mosquito FB-MK.6 model kit. Please read all instructions carefully before beginning assembly to ensure a successful and enjoyable building experience.

The De Havilland Mosquito, often referred to as the "Wooden Wonder," was a versatile British combat aircraft from World War II. This model kit allows you to recreate this iconic fighter-bomber in detail.

2. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The TAMIYA De Havilland Mosquito FB-MK.6 model kit (Model TMYTAM61062) is a static display model designed for enthusiasts aged 4 years and older. This kit requires assembly, painting, and decaling to complete. It accurately represents the Fighter-Bomber variant of the Mosquito aircraft.



Image 1: TAMIYA De Havilland Mosquito FB-MK.6 Model Kit. This image displays the box art, featuring the completed model aircraft.

3. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Upon opening the box, verify that all components are present. The kit includes:

- De Havilland Mosquito FB MK VI airplane model parts (unassembled plastic parts on sprues)
- Instruction manual (this document or a printed version)
- Decal sheet for markings and insignia
- No batteries are included or required for this static model.

Note: Adhesives, paints, and tools are sold separately and are required for assembly and finishing.

4. ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

Follow these general steps for assembling your model kit. Refer to the detailed diagrams and part numbers in the included printed instruction booklet for specific guidance.

1. Preparation:

- Carefully read through the entire instruction manual before starting.
- Gather all necessary tools, including plastic cement, hobby knife, sanding sticks, and paints.
- Clean all parts to remove any mold release agents.

2. Part Removal:

Carefully cut parts from the sprues using a hobby knife or sprue cutters. Trim any excess plastic (flash) and sand smooth.

3. Sub-Assembly:

Assemble smaller components first, such as the cockpit, landing gear, and engines, as indicated in the instructions. Allow glue to dry completely before proceeding.

4. Main Assembly:

Join the major fuselage and wing sections. Ensure proper alignment and use clamps or tape if necessary to hold parts while the adhesive cures.

5. Detailing:

Attach smaller detail parts like antennas, propellers, and canopy. Mask the canopy before painting.

5. FINISHING AND DISPLAY

Once assembly is complete, the model can be painted and decaled to achieve a realistic appearance.

1. Painting:

- Apply a primer coat for better paint adhesion.
- Follow the painting guide in your kit instructions for accurate color schemes. Apply thin, even coats of paint.
- Allow each coat to dry thoroughly before applying the next.

2. Decaling:

- Apply a gloss clear coat over the painted surface before decaling to prevent silvering.
- Cut out each decal individually. Dip in water for a few seconds until it slides freely from the backing paper.
- Carefully slide the decal onto the model in the desired position. Use decal setting solutions for better conformity to surface details.
- Once decals are dry, apply a final matte or satin clear coat to seal them and unify the finish.

3. Display:

Place your finished model on a stable surface away from direct sunlight, excessive heat, or humidity to preserve its condition.

6. MAINTENANCE

To ensure the longevity and appearance of your TAMIYA De Havilland Mosquito FB-MK.6 model, follow these maintenance guidelines:

- **Cleaning:** Dust the model regularly with a soft, dry brush or a gentle air blower. Avoid using harsh chemicals or abrasive materials, which can damage paint and decals.
- **Storage:** If storing the model, keep it in a cool, dry place, ideally in a display case or a sealed container to protect it from dust and environmental factors.
- **Handling:** Handle the model by its main body or wings, avoiding delicate parts like antennas, landing gear, or propellers to prevent breakage.

7. COMMON ASSEMBLY TIPS

Experienced modelers often encounter and overcome various challenges. Here are some tips to assist with common issues:

- **Part Fit:** If parts do not fit perfectly, use sanding sticks or a hobby knife to carefully trim or adjust edges. Small gaps can be filled with plastic putty and sanded smooth before painting.
- **Adhesive Application:** Apply plastic cement sparingly. Too much glue can melt plastic or leave unsightly marks. Test on a scrap piece first.
- **Painting Consistency:** Achieve smooth paint finishes by thinning paints appropriately and applying multiple thin coats rather than one thick coat.

- **Decal Silvering:** To prevent decals from appearing "silvered" (air trapped under the decal), ensure the surface is glossy before application and use decal setting solutions.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Brand:	TAMIYA
Model Name:	De Havilland Mosquito FB MK.6
Model Number:	TMYTAM61062
ASIN:	B00061HH9K
Manufacturer:	Tamiya
Assembly Required:	Yes
Minimum Age:	48 months (4 years)
Item Dimensions (L x W x H):	12 x 12 x 5 inches
Item Weight:	16 ounces
Material Type:	Wood (<i>Note: Typically plastic for Tamiya kits, please refer to physical kit for confirmation.</i>)
Power Source:	Not applicable (static model)

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Warranty: This product is sold without a manufacturer's warranty. Please inspect all parts upon receipt.

Customer Support: For assistance with missing or defective parts, or for general inquiries regarding TAMIYA products, please contact Tamiya customer service directly. Contact information can typically be found on the Tamiya official website or on the product packaging.

Note: Tamiya is known for its quality and customer satisfaction.

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