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Italeri 0719S Australian Truck Model Kit

Model Number: 510000719

Introduction

This instruction manual provides detailed guidance for assembling the Italeri 0719S Australian Truck model kit. Designed for modelers aged 14 and over, this 1/24 scale plastic kit allows you to recreate an authentic Australian semi-truck cab, complete with specialized modifications for the challenging outback environment.
Careful attention to these instructions will ensure a rewarding building experience and a high-quality finished model.

Important Safety Information

- **Small Parts Warning:** This kit contains small parts which may pose a choking hazard. Keep out of reach of children under 3 years of age.
- **Adhesive and Paint Use:** Use plastic cement and paints in a well-ventilated area. These materials are intended for adult modelers only. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.
- **Sharp Tools:** Assembly requires hobby knives and scissors. Exercise extreme caution when handling sharp tools to prevent injury. Adult supervision is recommended for younger modelers.
- **Cement Application:** Apply plastic cement sparingly to avoid damaging the model's plastic. Scrape paint from areas to be cemented for a strong bond.

Package Contents

Your Italeri 0719S Australian Truck model kit includes the following components:

- Plastic pieces molded in green, light gray, silver, black, and brown.
- Chrome-plated parts.
- Clear plastic parts for windows and lights.
- Water slide decal sheet (Art. 719).
- Pictorial instruction manual.



Figure 1: Included decal sheet (Art. 719) with green striping, 'ROAD' and 'TRAIN' text, license plates, and dashboard console details.

Required Tools and Materials (Not Included)

To complete your model, you will need the following items:

- Plastic Cement (e.g., Testors 3512)
- Hobby Knife
- Scissors
- Small Paint Brushes
- Toothpick or Glue Tips (for precise cement application)
- Water (for decal application)
- Paints (specific colors listed in the Painting Guide section)

Assembly Instructions

Follow the pictorial instructions provided in your kit for step-by-step assembly. The following general guidelines apply:

1. **Part Preparation:** Carefully remove plastic pieces from the sprues using a hobby knife or sprue cutters. Clean any excess plastic (flash) with a hobby knife or fine sandpaper.
2. **Test Fit:** Before applying cement, always test fit parts to ensure proper alignment and fit.
3. **Cement Application:** Apply plastic cement sparingly to one of the mating surfaces. Hold parts together firmly until the cement sets. For painted parts, gently scrape paint from the contact areas to ensure a strong bond.

4. **Specialized Features:** Pay close attention to the assembly of unique Australian truck features, including the large bull-bar, wire mesh windscreen protection, special dust filters, additional long-range fuel tanks, heavy-duty wheels, air-conditioning units, and the array of driving lights. These details contribute significantly to the model's authenticity.
5. **Wheel Assembly:** The kit includes ten authentically treaded tires with silver mags. Ensure correct orientation and secure attachment.
6. **Right-Hand Drive:** Note that this model features a right-hand drive configuration, typical for Australian vehicles.



Figure 2: Example of the completed Italeri 0719S Australian Truck model, showcasing its distinctive features.

Painting Guide

Paints are not included in the kit. The following colors are recommended to achieve an authentic finish:

- Flat Black (FS37038)
- Silver
- Orange
- Sand (FS33531)
- Red
- Green (for main body and stripes, matching decals)

Refer to the pictorial instructions for specific color placement on different components. Allow each coat of paint to dry completely before applying the next or handling the part.

Decal Application

The kit includes water slide decals to add fine details and markings to your model. Follow these steps for best results:

1. **Prepare Surface:** Ensure the surface where the decal will be applied is clean, smooth, and has a glossy finish. A gloss clear coat can be applied if the base paint is matte.
2. **Cut Decal:** Carefully cut out the desired decal from the sheet using sharp scissors or a hobby knife, trimming as close to the image as possible without cutting into it.
3. **Soak Decal:** Dip the decal in a small dish of lukewarm water for 10-20 seconds, or until it begins to slide freely on its backing paper.
4. **Position Decal:** Gently slide the decal off the backing paper onto the model surface. Use a wet paintbrush or toothpick to carefully position it.
5. **Remove Water/Bubbles:** Once positioned, gently blot away excess water with a soft, lint-free cloth or cotton swab. Carefully press out any air bubbles from under the decal, working from the center outwards.
6. **Setting Solution (Optional):** For irregular surfaces or to help decals conform better, a decal setting solution can be applied after positioning. Follow the setting solution manufacturer's instructions.
7. **Seal Decal:** After the decal is completely dry (allow several hours), apply a clear coat (gloss or matte, depending on desired finish) over the decal to protect it and blend it into the model's surface.

The decal sheet includes green striping, "ROAD" and "TRAIN" text, license plates, and a dashboard console with circular panels. Refer to the pictorial instructions for precise decal placement.

Product Specifications

Feature	Detail
Brand	Italeri
Model Name	Australian Truck
Model Number	510000719
Scale	1:24
Approximate Length (assembled)	332 mm (13.07 inches)
Material	Plastic
Recommended Age	14 years and up
Item Weight	880 Grams (1.94 pounds)
Product Dimensions (Box)	33.2 x 0.1 x 0.1 inches (Note: These dimensions likely refer to the model's length, not box)
Included Components	Model Kit (plastic parts, decals, instructions)

Maintenance of Your Finished Model

Once assembled and painted, your Italeri Australian Truck model requires minimal maintenance to preserve its appearance:

- **Dusting:** Regularly dust the model with a soft, dry brush or a can of compressed air to prevent dust buildup in

crevices.

- **Cleaning:** If necessary, gently wipe surfaces with a slightly damp cloth. Avoid harsh chemicals or abrasive cleaners, as these can damage paint and decals.
- **Display:** Display your model in a stable location away from direct sunlight, extreme temperatures, and high humidity to prevent fading, warping, or decal degradation.
- **Handling:** Handle the model carefully, grasping it by sturdy sections to avoid breaking delicate parts.

Troubleshooting Common Issues

Parts do not fit together properly:

Ensure all excess plastic (flash) has been removed from the edges of the parts. Test fit parts before applying cement. If painted, ensure paint has been scraped from bonding surfaces. Sometimes, slight sanding may be required for a perfect fit.

Decals are not adhering or are bubbling:

Ensure the surface is clean and glossy. Use enough water when sliding the decal. Gently press out air bubbles with a soft cloth or cotton swab. Consider using a decal setting solution for better adhesion and to conform to irregular surfaces.

Paint is not smooth or has brush marks:

Ensure paint is thinned appropriately for application. Apply multiple thin coats rather than one thick coat. Use good quality brushes and allow each coat to dry completely. Sanding with very fine grit sandpaper between coats can help achieve a smoother finish.

Customer Support

For further assistance, missing parts, or inquiries regarding your Italeri model kit, please contact Italeri customer service directly. Refer to the contact information provided on the product packaging or visit the official Italeri website. *Note: Specific warranty information is not provided with this kit. Please refer to the manufacturer's official channels for any warranty details.*

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