

## Italeri I7505

# Italeri Tiger I Ausf E Tank Model Kit (1:72 Scale)

Model: I7505

## 1. INTRODUCTION

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This instruction manual provides detailed guidance for assembling your Italeri Tiger I Ausf E tank model kit. This kit allows you to build two 1:72 scale snap-together models of the Pz.Kpfw.VI Tiger I Ausf E, ideal for collectors and wargamers. Please read all instructions carefully before beginning assembly.

## 2. SAFETY INFORMATION

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- **Warning:** Not suitable for children under 3 years of age.
- Contains small, detachable parts that could be swallowed. Keep out of reach of young children.
- Use tools such as cutters or nippers with caution. Adult supervision is recommended for younger builders.
- Ensure adequate ventilation when using model glue and paints. Refer to the manufacturer's safety instructions for these products.

## 3. WHAT'S IN THE BOX

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Your Italeri I7505 kit includes the following components:

- Two (2) plastic snap-together tank model kits (Pz.Kpfw.VI Tiger I Ausf E).
- One (1) instruction manual.

*Note: Essential tools (cutter/nippers, model glue) and paints are not included and must be purchased separately.*

## 4. SETUP AND ASSEMBLY

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### 4.1 Required Tools and Materials

- Cutter or nippers for detaching parts from sprues.
- Model glue (plastic cement) for secure assembly.
- *Optional:* Fine-grit sandpaper or hobby file for cleaning parts.
- *Optional:* Paint brushes and model paints (acrylic or enamel) for detailing.

## 4.2 Assembly Steps

1. **Review Instructions:** Carefully examine the assembly diagrams provided in the included instruction manual. Familiarize yourself with all parts and their placement.
2. **Part Preparation:** Using a cutter or nippers, carefully detach each part from its sprue. Be gentle to avoid damaging small components. Clean any excess plastic (flash) from the parts using a hobby knife or sandpaper.
3. **Snap-Together Assembly:** This kit features snap-together parts. Align the corresponding pins and holes, then gently press the parts together until they click into place. For a more permanent bond, apply a small amount of model glue to the joining surfaces before snapping them together.
4. **Sub-Assemblies:** Assemble larger sections (e.g., hull, turret, tracks) separately before joining them. Follow the sequence indicated in the manual.
5. **Track Assembly:** The tracks are designed for easy assembly. Ensure they fit correctly around the road wheels and drive sprockets.
6. **Final Assembly:** Once all sub-assemblies are complete, join them to form the complete tank model.

*Refer to the diagrams in your physical instruction manual for specific part numbers and assembly sequences.*



Image: Two fully assembled and painted Italeri Tiger I Ausf E tank models in a diorama, demonstrating the finished product. These models feature a camouflage paint scheme and are positioned on a simulated terrain with trees and bushes.

## 5. PAINTING AND FINISHING

After assembly, you may wish to paint and weather your model for a more realistic appearance. This kit is designed to be painted with acrylic or enamel model paints.

- **Cleaning:** Before painting, ensure the model is clean and free of dust, grease, or mold release agents. A light wash with mild soap and water, followed by thorough drying, is recommended.
- **Priming:** Apply a thin coat of model primer to provide a uniform surface for your paint and improve adhesion.
- **Base Coats:** Apply base colors according to your desired camouflage scheme. Multiple thin coats are better than one thick coat.
- **Detail Painting:** Paint smaller details such as tools, machine guns, and tracks.
- **Weathering (Optional):** Techniques like washes, dry-brushing, and pigments can be used to simulate dirt, rust, and wear.
- **Decals:** Apply any included decals according to the instructions, using decal setting solutions for best results.
- **Protective Coat:** Finish with a clear matte or satin varnish to protect the paint and decals.

## 6. MAINTENANCE

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To ensure the longevity and appearance of your assembled model:

- **Dusting:** Regularly dust the model with a soft brush or compressed air to prevent accumulation.
- **Storage:** Store the model in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight to prevent fading or warping of plastic and paint.
- **Handling:** Handle the model carefully, avoiding excessive force on delicate parts.

## 7. TROUBLESHOOTING

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- **Parts Not Fitting:** Ensure you are using the correct parts as indicated in the manual. Check for any excess plastic (flash) on the edges of the parts that might prevent a proper fit. Carefully trim with a hobby knife or file.
- **Loose Connections:** If snap-together parts feel loose, apply a small amount of model glue to secure them.
- **Missing Parts:** Double-check the sprues and packaging. If a part is genuinely missing, contact Italeri customer support with your kit details.
- **Paint Issues:** If paint is not adhering well, ensure the surface was clean and primed. Apply paint in thin coats to avoid brush marks or obscuring details.

## 8. SPECIFICATIONS

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<b>Brand</b>	Italeri
<b>Model Number</b>	I7505
<b>Scale</b>	1:72
<b>Product Type</b>	Military Model Kit (Tank)
<b>Material</b>	Plastic
<b>Theme</b>	Tiger I Ausf E
<b>Number of Models in Kit</b>	2
<b>Recommended Age</b>	14 years and up (Adult and Child)
<b>Assembled Dimensions (approx.)</b>	11.8 cm (L) x 5.1 cm (W) x 4.2 cm (H)

