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Model: TM35238

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

This instruction manual provides detailed information for the assembly and care of your Tamiya Models German Kubelwagen Type 82 - Africa Corps model kit. The Kubelwagen Type 82 was a light military vehicle designed by Dr. Ferdinand Porsche, widely used by the Wehrmacht during World War II, particularly effective in North Africa due to its air-cooled engine and reliability. This 1/35 scale model kit accurately replicates the vehicle, including specific details for the Africa Corps version.

Key Features

- 1/35 Scale vehicle for accurate representation.
- Kit includes Afrika Korps markings for historical accuracy.
- Features large balloon sand tires, characteristic of DAK (Deutsches Afrikakorps) vehicles.
- Includes a lifelike driver figure to enhance the display.

SETUP AND ASSEMBLY

Before beginning assembly, ensure you have all necessary tools, such as plastic cement, hobby knife, sandpaper, and paints. Carefully read through the entire instruction booklet provided in the kit before starting. Identify all parts and sprues according to the parts list.

Follow the numbered steps in the kit's instruction booklet for precise assembly. Pay close attention to part numbers and orientation. Test fit parts before applying adhesive.



Image: Fully assembled Tamiya German Kubelwagen Type 82 model with a driver figure. This image illustrates the final appearance of the model after successful assembly and painting.

For painting, refer to the color guide in your kit. It is recommended to paint sub-assemblies before final attachment for better detail coverage.

OPERATING (DISPLAY AND POSING)

Once assembled, your Tamiya Kubelwagen Type 82 model is designed for static display. It is not intended for functional operation or play. The wheels are designed to rotate freely, allowing for minor adjustments in posing on a diorama or display base.



Image: The Tamiya Kubelwagen Type 82 model and driver figure displayed against a dark background, showcasing the detailed molding and paintwork.

The included driver figure can be positioned inside or outside the vehicle to create dynamic scenes. Ensure the figure is securely placed to prevent accidental falls.

MAINTENANCE

To preserve the quality and appearance of your model, follow these maintenance guidelines:

- **Cleaning:** Dust the model regularly with a soft, dry brush or a can of compressed air. Avoid using wet cloths or harsh cleaning agents, as these can damage paint or decals.
- **Storage:** Store the model in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight and extreme temperature fluctuations. Prolonged exposure to sunlight can cause paint fading and plastic degradation.
- **Handling:** Handle the model by its base or sturdy sections to avoid damaging delicate parts like antennas, mirrors, or machine guns.



Image: A detailed close-up of the front section of the Kubelwagen model, highlighting the spare tire mounted on the hood and the distinctive headlights. Regular dusting helps maintain these intricate details.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Most issues encountered with model kits relate to assembly. Here are common troubleshooting tips:

- **Parts Not Fitting:** Ensure you are using the correct parts as indicated in the instruction manual. Sometimes, a small amount of plastic flash may need to be removed with a hobby knife or sandpaper for a perfect fit.
- **Adhesive Issues:** Use plastic cement sparingly. Too much can melt the plastic, while too little may result in weak bonds. Allow sufficient drying time for the adhesive to cure.
- **Decal Application Problems:** If decals do not adhere properly, ensure the surface is clean and smooth. Use decal setting solutions to help them conform to irregular surfaces and eliminate silvering.



Image: A close-up of the driver figure and the side of the Kubelwagen, illustrating the fine details that require careful assembly and painting. Proper technique ensures these details are well-represented.

SPECIFICATIONS

Attribute	Detail
Product Name	Tamiya Models German Kubelwagen Type 82 - Africa Corps
Brand	TAMIYA
Model Number	TM35238
Scale	1/35
Product Dimensions	4.2 x 1.79 x 1.85 inches (approximate assembled size)
Item Weight	5 ounces (kit weight)
Manufacturer Recommended Age	15 years and up
ASIN	B000WN5CVW

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

This product is a plastic model kit and typically does not come with a manufacturer's warranty for assembled parts or individual components once opened. For any issues regarding missing or defective parts upon initial inspection of a new, unopened kit, please contact Tamiya customer support directly.

For further assistance or inquiries, please refer to the contact information provided on the Tamiya official website or within the kit packaging.

