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## FineMolds 41111

# FineMolds Girls & Panzer Type 97 Chi-Ha Medium Tank Model Kit

**MODEL: 41111 - 1/35 SCALE, NEW TURRET, EARLY PRODUCTION CHASSIS**

## INTRODUCTION

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This instruction manual provides detailed guidance for assembling the FineMolds Girls & Panzer Type 97 Chi-Ha Medium Tank model kit. This 1/35 scale plastic model features the new turret with a 47mm gun, representing the early production chassis version as depicted in the 'Girls & Panzer' film. The kit includes partially assembled plastic tracks and an etched muffler guard for enhanced detail. Careful attention to these instructions will ensure a successful and enjoyable assembly experience.



Image: The complete FineMolds Girls & Panzer Type 97 Chi-Ha Medium Tank model kit, showcasing the new turret and early production chassis design.

## SETUP AND ASSEMBLY

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### Required Tools and Materials:

- Plastic model cement (adhesive)
- Hobby knife or sprue cutters
- Tweezers (for small parts)

- Sandpaper or sanding sticks (various grits)
- Model paints (acrylic or enamel, as desired)
- Paintbrushes or airbrush
- Masking tape (for painting)
- Decal setting solution (optional)

## General Assembly Steps:

1. **Preparation:** Carefully remove all parts from the sprues using sprue cutters or a hobby knife. Clean any excess plastic (flash) or mold lines with a hobby knife and sandpaper.
2. **Sub-Assemblies:** Begin by assembling smaller components such as the turret, main gun, and road wheels. Ensure parts fit correctly before applying cement.
3. **Chassis Assembly:** Construct the main hull and chassis. Pay attention to alignment to ensure the tank sits level.
4. **Track Assembly:** The kit includes partially assembled plastic tracks. Follow the instructions to connect the track sections around the road wheels and drive sprockets. Ensure proper tension and alignment.



Image: Detailed view of the partially assembled plastic track sections included in the kit, ready for installation onto the tank chassis.

5. **Muffler Guard:** Attach the newly designed etched muffler guard according to the instructions. Handle etched parts with care to avoid bending or damage.
6. **Final Assembly:** Combine the main sub-assemblies (chassis, turret, tracks).
7. **Painting:** Apply primer, then paint the model according to your desired scheme. Refer to historical references or the 'Girls & Panzer' film for accurate colors.
8. **Decals:** Apply the anime original markings and character decals as provided. Use decal setting solution for a seamless finish.

*Note: Always refer to the detailed diagrams and step-by-step instructions provided within the physical kit packaging for precise part placement and assembly order.*

## OPERATING (DISPLAY AND HANDLING)

This product is a static display model. It is not designed for active play or rough handling. Once assembled and painted, the model should be handled with care to prevent damage to delicate parts, paint, or decals.

- **Display:** Place the model on a stable, flat surface away from direct sunlight, excessive heat, or humidity to preserve its finish and structural integrity.
- **Handling:** When moving the model, grasp it by the main hull or chassis, avoiding pressure on

antennas, machine guns, or other small, protruding components.

## MAINTENANCE

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Proper maintenance ensures the longevity and appearance of your model.

- **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 and decals.
- **Storage:** If storing the model, place it in a dust-free container or display case. Ensure it is not exposed to extreme temperatures or humidity fluctuations.
- **Repairs:** In case of minor damage, use appropriate plastic cement or super glue for repairs. Touch up paint as needed.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

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Common issues encountered during model kit assembly and their solutions:

- **Parts Not Fitting:** If parts do not fit snugly, check for excess plastic (flash) on the edges or inside connection points. Carefully trim or sand these areas until a proper fit is achieved. Dry-fit parts before applying cement.
- **Decal Silvering:** If decals show a 'silvering' effect (air trapped under the clear film), apply a decal setting solution to help them conform to the surface and eliminate air bubbles. Ensure the surface is glossy before decal application.
- **Paint Adhesion Issues:** Ensure parts are clean and free of oils or mold release agents before priming and painting. Wash parts with mild soap and water, then allow them to dry completely.
- **Track Alignment:** If the tracks appear misaligned or too loose/tight, re-check the connection points and ensure all road wheels and sprockets are correctly positioned. Adjust track sections as necessary.

## SPECIFICATIONS

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- **Brand:** FineMolds
- **Model Number:** 41111
- **Scale:** 1/35
- **Product Type:** Unpainted Plastic Assembly Kit
- **Main Material:** Plastic
- **Completed Size (Approximate):** Length 156mm × Width 67mm × Height 71mm
- **Battery Usage:** No
- **Battery Included:** No
- **Special Features:** Partially assembled plastic tracks, newly designed etched muffler guard, anime original markings and character decals included.

## WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

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Information regarding product warranty and customer support is not provided in the available product data. Please refer to the manufacturer's official website or contact your retailer for details on warranty policies and support services for FineMolds products.

