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ITALERI 6529S - 1:35 M4A3E8 Sherman 'Fury' Model Kit

INSTRUCTION MANUAL

1. Introduction

This manual provides detailed instructions for the assembly, painting, and display of the Italeri 6529S 1:35 scale M4A3E8 Sherman 'Fury' plastic model kit. Please read all instructions carefully before beginning assembly. This kit is designed for adult modelers and requires precision and patience.



Image 1.1: Example of a completed Italeri M4A3E8 Sherman 'Fury' model.

2. Safety Information

- **Small Parts:** This kit contains small parts that may pose a choking hazard. Keep out of reach of small children.
- **Sharp Tools:** Assembly requires the use of sharp tools such as hobby knives and nippers. Exercise extreme caution to prevent injury.
- **Adhesives and Paints:** Use model-specific adhesives and paints in a well-ventilated area. Refer to the manufacturer's safety data sheets for specific product warnings. Avoid prolonged skin contact and inhalation of fumes.
- **Eye Protection:** Consider wearing eye protection when cutting or sanding plastic parts.

3. Package Contents

Verify that all components are present before starting assembly. The kit typically includes:

- Plastic sprues (parts trees) containing all model components.
- Decal sheet for various marking options.
- Flexible track sections (T66 and T84E types).
- Wire or string for specific details.
- Instruction booklet.

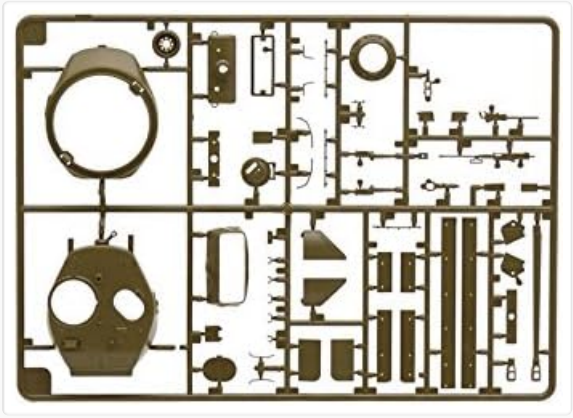


Image 3.1: Example of a plastic sprue (parts tree) containing various model components.

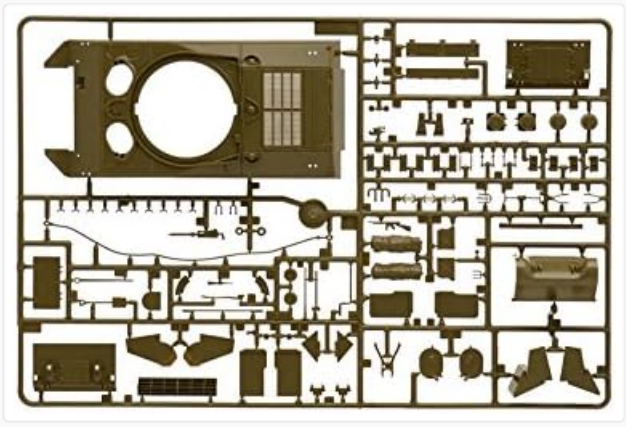


Image 3.2: Another plastic sprue with tank parts and accessories.

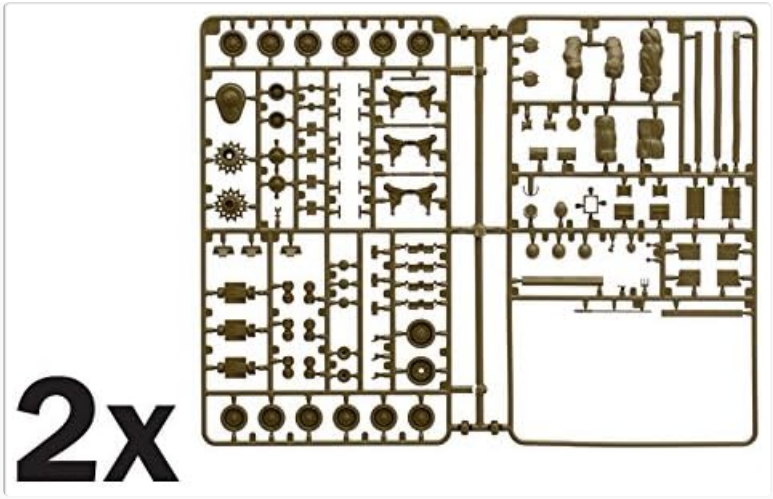


Image 3.3: Two identical sprues, typically for repetitive components.



Image 3.4: Decal sheet for applying markings to the model.



Image 3.5: Included wire or string for specific model details.

4. Tools and Materials Required

The following tools and materials are recommended for assembly (not included in the kit):

- Hobby knife or sprue cutters
- Plastic model cement (glue)
- Tweezers
- Small files or sanding sticks
- Paints (acrylic or enamel, as per color guide)
- Paintbrushes or airbrush
- Decal setting solution (optional)
- Cutting mat



Image 4.1: Recommended tools for model assembly.

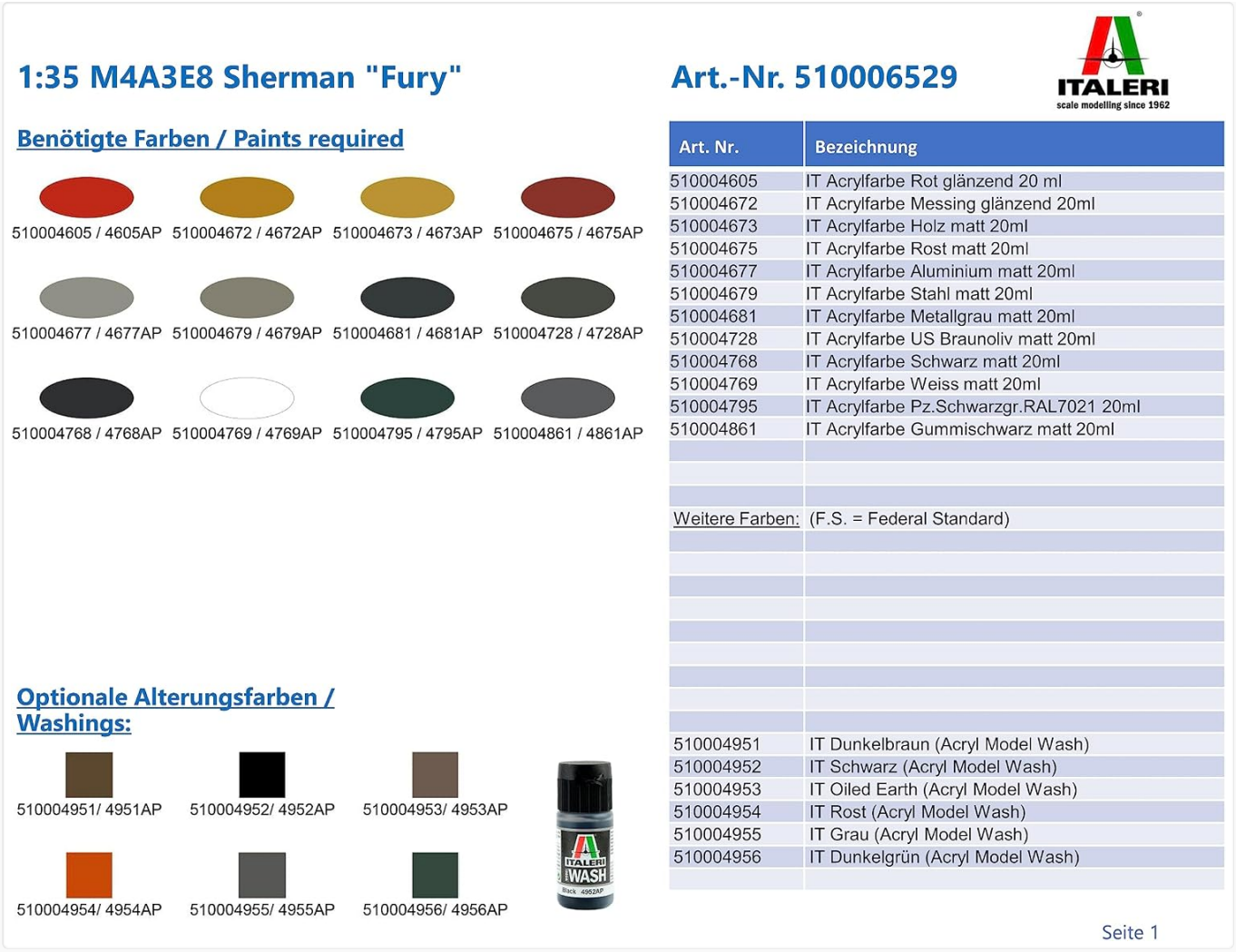


Image 4.2: Paint guide showing required colors and Italeri product numbers.

5. Assembly Instructions (Setup)

Follow the numbered steps in the included instruction booklet for precise assembly. The general process involves:

1. **Part Preparation:** Carefully cut parts from the sprues using nippers or a hobby knife. Remove any excess plastic (flash) with a hobby knife or sanding stick.
2. **Dry Fitting:** Before applying glue, dry-fit parts to ensure proper alignment and fit. Adjust as necessary.
3. **Gluing:** Apply a small amount of plastic cement to the mating surfaces. Hold parts together firmly until the glue sets.
4. **Sub-Assemblies:** Assemble smaller sections (e.g., turret, suspension, road wheels) before attaching them to the main hull.
5. **Track Assembly:** The kit includes new track versions (T66 and T84E) made from glueable rubber. Carefully assemble these according to the instructions, ensuring correct orientation and tension.



Image 5.1: Detail of the T66 and T84E glueable rubber track types.



Image 5.2: Track sections ready for assembly.

Painting and Decals

Refer to the included paint guide (Image 4.2) for recommended colors. Apply paint in thin, even coats. Once paint is dry, apply decals:

1. Cut out the desired decal from the sheet (Image 3.4).
2. Dip the decal in lukewarm water for a few seconds until it slides freely on its backing paper.
3. Carefully slide the decal onto the model surface. Position it correctly using tweezers.
4. Gently blot away excess water with a soft cloth or cotton swab.
5. For best results, use decal setting solutions to help the decal conform to surface details and eliminate 'silvering'.



Image 5.3: Completed model with 'Fury' markings.



Image 5.4: Completed model with alternative markings.

6. Finishing and Display (Operating)

Once assembly and painting are complete, you may choose to apply a clear coat (matte or gloss) to protect the paint and decals. The model is now ready for display. Consider placing it on a suitable base or diorama to enhance its presentation.

7. Maintenance

To maintain the appearance of your finished model:

- **Cleaning:** Dust regularly with a soft, dry brush or a can of compressed air. Avoid using water or chemical cleaners, as these can damage paint and decals.
- **Storage:** Store the model in a cool, dry place away from direct sunlight to prevent fading and warping. A display case can protect it from dust and accidental damage.

8. Troubleshooting

- **Parts Not Fitting:** Ensure all flash is removed from parts. Dry-fit carefully. If necessary, gently sand or trim mating surfaces for a better fit.
- **Glue Issues:** Use only plastic-specific cement. Too much glue can melt plastic; too little may not hold. Allow adequate drying time.
- **Paint Problems:** Apply paint in thin coats to avoid obscuring detail. Ensure previous coats are dry before applying new ones. Use appropriate primer for better adhesion.

- **Decal Silvering:** This occurs when air is trapped under the decal. Use decal setting solutions to help the decal conform to the surface and eliminate air bubbles. Apply decals over a glossy surface for best results, then seal with a matte or satin clear coat.

9. Specifications

Feature	Detail
Brand	Italeri
Model Name	1/35 M4A3E8 Sherman Fury
Product Type	Non Riding Toy Vehicle / Military Model Building Kit
Scale	1:35
Material Type	Plastic
Color	Multicolor (unpainted kit)
Item Dimensions (L x W x H)	16.8 x 0.1 x 0.1 inches (packaging/kit components)
Item Weight	0.48 Kilograms
Number of Pieces	1 (refers to the kit as a single item, not individual parts)
Age Range (Description)	Adult
Country Of Origin	Italy
Additional Features	New track versions (T66 and T84E) made from a new raw material which can be glued and painted.

10. Warranty and Support

For specific warranty information or technical support regarding your Italeri model kit, please refer to the official Italeri website or contact their customer service directly. Keep your proof of purchase for any warranty claims.

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