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## TAMIYA 35380

# Instruction Manual

TAMIYA 1/35 British Cruiser Tank A34 Comet

Model: 35380

## INTRODUCTION

This manual provides detailed instructions for the assembly and care of your TAMIYA 1/35 British Cruiser Tank A34 Comet plastic model kit. The A34 Comet was a British cruiser tank that saw service towards the end of World War II and beyond. This highly detailed 1/35 scale replica offers an engaging building experience for enthusiasts.



Figure 1: Front view of the TAMIYA A34 Comet model kit box, showcasing the assembled tank with crew figures.

## KIT CONTENTS AND PREPARATION

Before beginning assembly, carefully unpack all components and familiarize yourself with the parts. Ensure all listed items are present and undamaged. It is recommended to organize parts by sprue number to facilitate the building process.

### Included Components:

- Plastic model kit parts for the A34 Comet tank.
- Two torso figures designed to depict crew members in winter clothing.
- Clear parts for rendering the searchlight located on the turret's left side.
- Options for either a one-piece or two-piece engine exhaust cover.
- Assembly type tracks with convenient one-piece straight sections for easier construction.
- Decals for various marking options.
- Detailed instruction manual (this document).

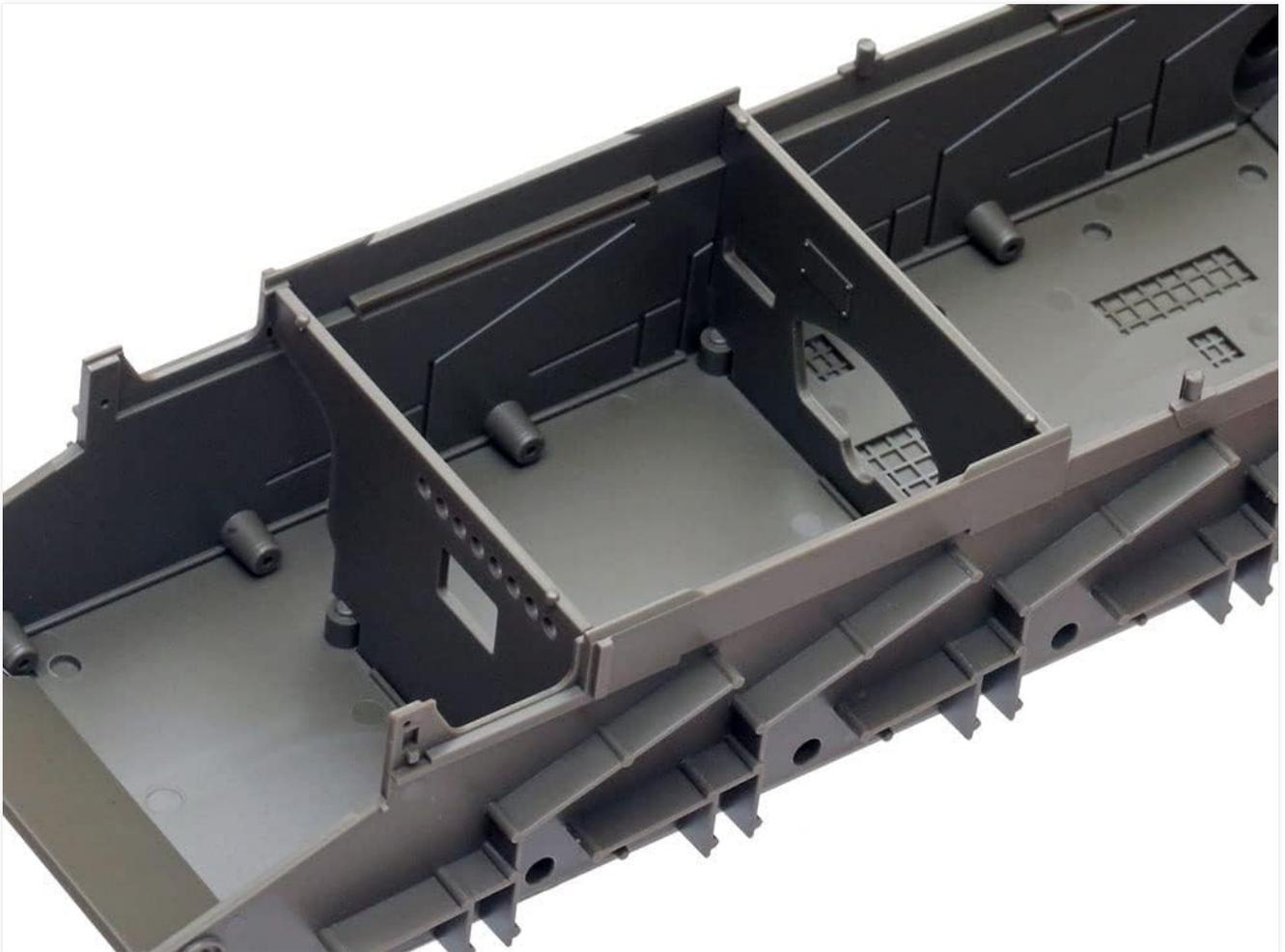


Figure 2: View of the internal hull structure, demonstrating the vertical-plane box-style assembly method for the model kit.

## ASSEMBLY GUIDE

Follow the step-by-step instructions provided in the kit's dedicated assembly manual. The following points highlight key features and assembly considerations for this model.

### Key Assembly Features:

- **Vertical-Plane Hull Construction:** The hull features a box-style assembly, accurately replicating the structure of the actual tank. This design ensures precise alignment and a sturdy build.
- **Accurate Bulkhead Assembly:** The model is designed to be accurately assembled with two bulkheads,

mirroring the construction of the real A34 Comet.

- **Realistic Cast Surfaces:** The kit includes realistic renderings of the front hull and turret cast surfaces, adding to the authenticity of the finished model.
- **Clear Searchlight Parts:** Transparent parts are provided for the searchlight on the turret's left side, allowing for a detailed and realistic appearance.
- **Assembly Type Tracks:** The tracks are designed with one-piece straight sections, simplifying the assembly process while maintaining a high level of detail.



Figure 3: A fully assembled TAMIYA A34 Comet model, showcasing its detailed exterior and the included crew figures.

### Detailed Components Overview:



Figure 4: Close-up view of the two highly detailed torso figures, designed to represent tank crew members.



Figure 5: Detailed view of the turret and gun mantlet, highlighting the realistic cast texture and gun barrel.



Figure 6: Front hull section showing intricate details, including tow cables and unit markings.

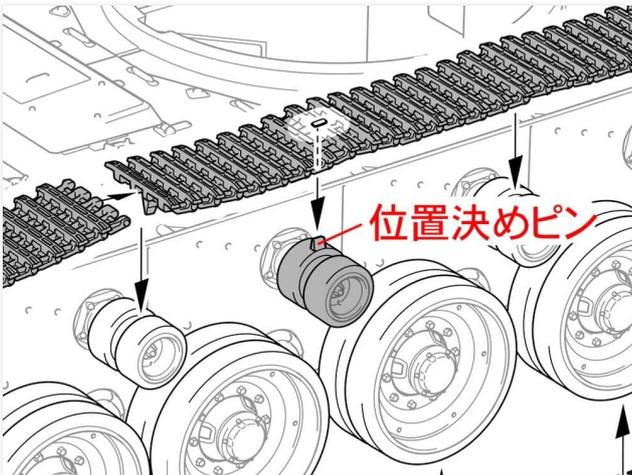


Figure 7: An assembly diagram demonstrating the method for attaching the track sections to the road wheels and idlers.



Figure 8: Rear view of the tank, displaying the exhaust covers and additional rear details. Note the option for different exhaust cover styles.



Figure 9: Top-down detail of the tank's hull, showing various tools and stowage items that can be attached.

## FINISHING AND PAINTING

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Once assembly is complete, the model can be painted and weathered to achieve a realistic finish. Refer to historical references for accurate color schemes of the British Cruiser Tank A34 Comet. Apply decals carefully according to the provided guide for authentic markings.

## CARE AND DISPLAY (MAINTENANCE)

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To maintain the appearance of your finished model, keep it in a dust-free environment. Avoid direct sunlight, which can cause paint fading over time. Handle the model by its base or sturdy sections to prevent damage to delicate parts. Regular light dusting with a soft brush is recommended.

## TROUBLESHOOTING COMMON ASSEMBLY TIPS

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While TAMIYA kits are known for their excellent fit, here are some general tips for common model building challenges:

- **Part Fit Issues:** If parts do not fit perfectly, gently sand or trim excess plastic using a hobby knife or sanding stick. Test fit parts before applying adhesive.
- **Adhesive Application:** Use plastic cement sparingly to avoid damaging the plastic surface. For clear parts, use a clear-drying adhesive like white glue to prevent fogging.

- **Small Parts:** Use tweezers for handling small components. Work over a clean, well-lit surface to prevent losing tiny pieces.
- **Decal Application:** Ensure the surface is clean and glossy before applying decals. Use decal setting solutions to help decals conform to irregular surfaces and eliminate silvering.

## SPECIFICATIONS

Attribute	Detail
Brand	TAMIYA
Model Name	1/35 British Cruiser Tank A34 Comet
Model Number	35380
Scale	1/35
Material	Plastic
Theme	Military
Recommended Age	14 years and up
Special Features	Two marking options, assembly type tracks with one-piece straight sections, option of one-piece or two-piece engine exhaust cover, clear parts for rendering searchlight, includes two torso figures of crew members in winter clothes.

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