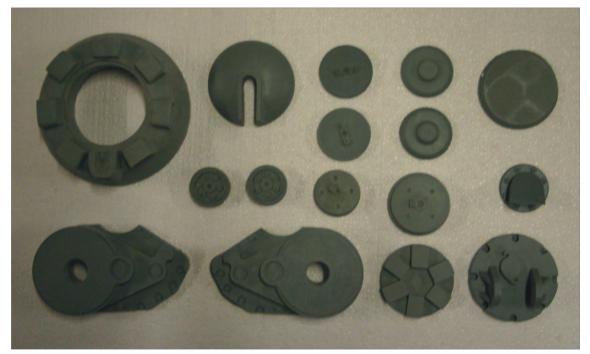
Bag 1 Contents (13 Parts - 16 Pieces)





(1) Cupola BRA003-401R



(1) Cupola Hatch BRA003-402R



(2) Drive Gear Hub BRA003-406R



(1) Turret Loader's Hatch BRA003-407R



(1) Turret Vent Cover BRA003-412R



(1) Back Tow Plate BRA003-414R



(1) Final Drive Cover - Left BRA003-415R



(1) Final Drive Cover - Right BRA003-416R



(2) Track Alignment Wheel BRA003-417R



(1) Engine Deck Vent BRA003-420R



(1) Engine Deck Round Cover - Large Round Cover - Small BRA003-421R

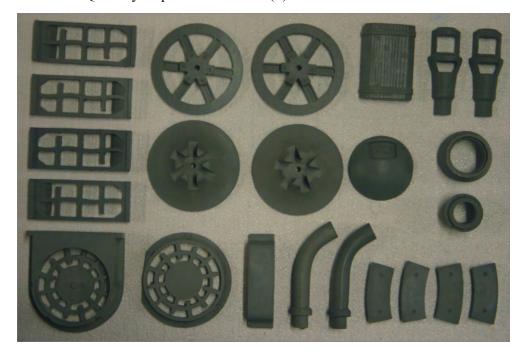


(1) Engine Deck BRA003-422R



(2) Engine Deck Round Cover -Flat BRA003-423R

Bag 2 Contents (13 Parts - 23 pieces)





(4) Engine Intake Grill BRA003-430R



(1) Raised Engine Grill BRA003-431R



(1) Raised Engine Vent Side Block BRA003-432R



(1) Engine Vent BRA003-433R



(2) Idler Wheel Inner BRA003-434R



(2) Idler Wheel Outer BRA003-435R



(4) Turret Rotate Guide BRA003-441R



(1) Hull Machine Gun Mount BRA003-444R



(1) Jack Block BRA003-445R



(2) Muffler Pipe BRA003-446R



(2) Muzzle Break BRA003-448R



(1) Mantlet/Barrel Connector Piece BRA003-454R



(1) Barrel/Mantlet Step Down BRA003-455R

Bag 3 Contents 45 Parts - 70 Pieces)





(1) Cupola Hatch Pin BRA003-403R



(1) Cupola Machine Gun Rail BRA003-404R



(1) Fire Extinguisher BRA003-405R



(1) Turret Loader's Hatch Rain Cover BRA003-408R



(1) Turret Loader's Hatch Hinge Arm BRA003-409R



(4) Tow Shackle BRA003-410R



(4) Tow Shackle Pin BRA003-411R



(1) Turret Vent Cover Bullet Splash BRA003-413R



(1) Travel Lock Vent Cover BRA003-418R



(1) Close Defense Port BRA003-419R



(2) Engine Hatch Hinge Base BRA003-424R



(2) Engine Hatch Hinge Arm BRA003-425R



(1) Travel Lock Arm BRA003-426R



(1) Travel Lock Pin BRA003-427R



(1) Travel Lock Seat BRA003-428R



(1) Mantlet Machine Gun BRA003-429R



(3)Track Tension Access Cover - Large BRA003-436R



(1) Access Cover -Small BRA003-437R

Bag 3 Contents (45 Parts - 70 Pieces) Continued

Note: Quantity of part indicated in ()



(1) Mantlet Back Side - Right BRA003-443R



(1) Antennae Mount BRA003-447R



(1) Driver's Periscope Cover BRA003-449R



(1) Infrared Coupler

Cover

(1) Driver's Periscope Cover Bolt Ring BRA003-450R



(1) Mantlet Back

Side - Left

(1) Rear Thickening Plate - Left BRA003-451R



(1) Rear Thickening Plate - Right BRA003-452R



(2) Rear Thickening Plate - Lower BRA003-453R



(1) Front Hatch Hinge Base BRA003-439R



(1) Front Hatch Hinge BRA003-440R



(1) Barrel Elevation Rotate Piece BRA003-456R



(1) 1/4" x 21/2" Bolt and 1/4" Nut BRA003-457R



(1) Rear Turret Thickening Plate -Left BRA003-458R



(1) Rear Turret Thickening Plate -Right BRA003-459R



(2) Front Thickening Plate Lower BRA003-460R



(2) Front Thickening Plate - Upper BRA003-461R



(3) Tripod Mount BRA003-462R



(3) Lifting Ring BRA003-463R



(1)Tow Pin BRA003-464R



(2) Mantlet Stop BRA003-465R



(1) Head Light BRA001-636R



(1) Headlight Bracket BRA001-637R



(1) Hull Machine Gun BRA001-439R



(2) Periscope Cover BRA002-408R



(4) Hinge Half (Male) BRA005-434R



(4) Hinge Half (Female) BRA005-435R

Bag 4 Contents (1 Part - 16 Pieces)

Note: Quantity of part indicated in ()



(16) Road Wheel BRA003-601IP

Bag 5 Contents (1 Part - 16 Pieces)

Note: Quantity of part indicated in ()



(16) Road Wheel BRA003-602OP

Bag 6 Contents (1 Part - 156 Pieces)

Note: Quantity of part indicated in ()



(156) Tack Pin BRA003-901P

Bag 7 Contents (1 Part - 168 Pieces)



(168) Track Link BRA003-902P

Bag 8 Contents (1 Part - 1Piece)

Note: Quantity of part indicated in ()



(1) Barrel BRA003-501T

Bag 9 Contents (1 Part - 1Piece)

Note: Quantity of part indicated in ()



(1) Storage Tube BRA003-502T

Bag 10 Contents (1 Part - 1Piece)

Note: Quantity of part indicated in ()



(1) Mantlet BRA003-724M

Bag 11 Contents (2 Parts - 4 Pieces)



(2) Drive Sprocket -Inner BRA003-730M



(2) Drive Sprocket -Outer BRA003-731M

Bag12 Contents (12 Parts - 13 Pieces)



(1) Upper Deck BRA003-703M



(1) Hull BRA003-701M



Plate BRA003-702M



(1) Turret BRA003-704M



(1) Turret Bottom BRA003-705M



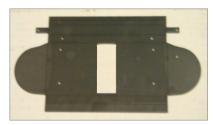
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(1) Side Shield Rail - Right BRA003-713M



(2) Storage Bin BRA003-718M



(1) Mantlet Back BRA003-725M



(1)Forward Deck Brace BRA003-721M



(1) Middle Deck Brace BRA003-722M



(1) Rear Deck Brace BRA003-723M

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(1) Fender -Left BRA003-706M



(1) Fender -Right BRA003-707M



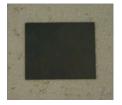
(2) Muffler Cover BRA003-715M



(2) Muffler Bracket BRA003-746M



(1) Fender Sides -Two (2) Pieces BRA003-717M



(2) Storage Bin Lid BRA003-720M



(1) Mantlet Debris Plate BRA003-726M



(2) Mantlet Side BRA003-727M



(1) Barrel Elevation Guide BRA003-729M



(8) Drive Sprocket Spacer BRA003-732M



(1) Travel Lock Base BRA003-733M



(1) Travel Lock Body BRA003-734M



(1) Jack Block Bracket BRA003-735M



(1) Track Cable Bracket BRA003-736M



(1) Left Pry Bar Bracket BRA003-737M



(1)Right Pry Bar Bracket BRA003-738M



(1) Axe Bracket BRA003-739M



(1) Shovel Bracket BRA003-740M



(2) Extra Track Bracket BRA003-741M



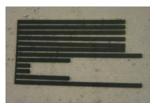
(2)Storage Tube Bracket BRA003-742M



(2) Rear Tow Cable Bracket - Two (2) Pieces BRA003-743M



(2) Turret Loader's Hatch Bracket BRA003-744M



(1) Fender and Storage Bin Ribs - One (1) set BRA003-745M

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(2) Side Shield Type A BRA003-708M



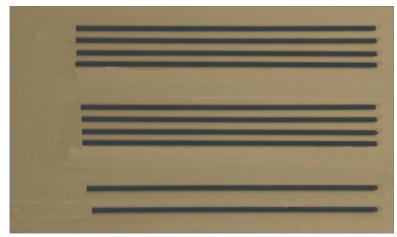
(2) Side Shield Type B BRA003-709M



(6) Side Shield Type C BRA003-710M

Bag15 Contents (4 Parts - 10 Pieces)

Note: Quantity of part indicated in ()



19 11/16" Main Axle #1 - 4 Pieces - BRA003-801M

19 7/16" Main Axle #2 - 4 Pieces - BRA003-802M

19 3/16" Drive Axle - 1 Piece - BRA003-803M 19 5/16" Idler Wheel Axle - 1 Piece - BRA003-804M

Bag 16 Contents (1 Part - 1 Piece)

Note: Quantity of part indicated in ()



(1) Spacer Material - 40" Length BRA003-806T

Bag 17 Contents (1 Part - 22 Pieces)



(22) 1/4" Push Nut BRA001-807M

Bag 18 Contents (1 Part - 240 Pieces)

Note: Quantity of part indicated in ()



(240) 1/8" x 5/16" Aluminum Pop Rivets BRA001-809M

Bag 19 Contents (1 Part - 20 Pieces)

Note: Quantity of part indicated in ()



(20) #6 ½" (Sheet Metal) BRA001-810M

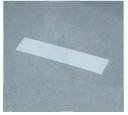
Bag 20 Contents (1 Part - 6 Pieces)

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(6) 1/4" x ½" long Wooden Dowel BRA003-805P

Bag 21 Contents (1 Part - 1 Piece)



1 3/4" x 3 3/4" x 1/16" Styrene BRA003-811P

Bag 22 Contents (1 Part - 1 Piece Note: Quantity of part indicated in ()



(1) Instruction CD BRA003-ICD

General Instructions

The concept behind a Field of Armor model kit is one in which you bend metal at pre-cut areas to form the various parts of a vehicle or tank.

When these parts are bent into place tabs and corresponding holes will line up allowing pop rivets or screws to be inserted to hold the assembly together.

All metal parts will follow this basic method of bending and fastening in order to take the metal parts from a 2D state into a 3D part

- 1. Check that you have received all parts for your new 1/6 scale model of the Panther. Go to Field of Armor's website at "www.fieldofarmortanks.com" for a complete list of all parts.
- 2. Wipe down all metal parts with a laquer thinner or acetone solution—Make sure when doing so that there are open flames or embers that may cause a fire while doing this.
- 3. At certain stages of assembly you may want to pre-paint some areas so that you don't have to dis-assemble parts of your work later. For example all the running gear pieces, the Chassis side wall they install against and the well under the fenders. **NOTE:** DO NOT paint any surface that you will be gluing something to.
- 4. Effort should be taken not to lose any of the perforated metal pieces that remain in the flat metal structures (please note that some of these pieces may have come loose during shipping) as some are used as actual parts such as hatches and doors and some are to remain in place.
- 5. Any additional parts and materials over and above those listed in the parts section of these Instructions and that may be obvious in the instruction photographs are the responsibility of the purchaser.
- 6. Should you receive a chassis that has come apart during shipping or comes apart from bending and re-bending (the seams are designed to be bent several times before coming apart) do not be too concerned as it can be easily repaired by using some scape 20 gauge metal cut into strips approximately ½ " x 2" 2½" long. Bend the strip to 90 degrees or to suit the angle being repaired and drill 1/8" holes to accept Pop Rivets. Place the angle over the area to be repaired spaced at 4" 6" intervals and drill matching holes in the metal pieces being repaired. Secure with Pop Rivets. See Figures 6a, 6b and 6c below.







Figure 6a Figure 6b Figure 6c

General Instructions

- 7. Fill any holes and gaps with Bondo. Remove excess Bondo from surfaces using an exacto knife blade or something similar once it has set up but not hardened completely. When the Bondo has hardened sand smooth with a fine grit sandpaper.
- 8. It is recommended that the modeler use Super-glue when gluing Resin or Plastic Parts to other Resin or Plastic parts. When gluing Resin or Plastic Parts to Metal make sure that the Metal is free of grease and/or oil and glue using Epoxy.
- 9. Some Resin parts when they come out of the molds tend "naturally" to take on a slight curve should you encounter any such parts in your kit this can be eliminated by applying moderate heat and adjusting the part to its proper configuration.
- 10. For handles (not provided) to Engine Access Doors, Commander's Hatch (Cupola), Combat Compartment Access Doors and top of Superstructure Access Hatches it is suggested the modeler drill holes in the metal (in the approximate location shown in the photographs) to accept a bent 1/16th inch copper wire and secure in place with Epoxy (See Figure A).



Figure A

11. Using a piece of scrape metal it is advisable to create a stop for the Engine Access Doors, Combat Compartment Access Doors and top of Superstructure Access Hatches and the Brake Access Covers by Pop Riveting it to the underside of the opening and protruding into the opening (see Figure B). On larger doors (i.e. Engine Cover Deck Doors) or those that don's seat properly you may want to create a stop on the rwo sides of the opening as well.

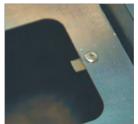


Figure B

- 12. Some parts will require sanding before application.
- 13. Sand the metal surface area to which a part is to be applied and also when securing metal to metal. This will ensure a more secure bond.
- 14. All references to left and right assumes you are sitting in the tank facing forward.

Hull and Storage Bins

Step 1. Locate metal Hull and the metal Hull Back Plate. See Figure 1a and 1b.



(1) Hull BRA003-701M



NOTE: In the earlier production models the Hull Back Plate was an integral part of the Hull.

(1)Hull Back Plate BRA003-702M Figure 1b

Figure 1a

Step 2. Making sure the square hole in the Hull Back Plate is to the left side of the tank, slide the bottom flange under the Hull and align the five (5) holes (see Figure 2a). Secure it in place using Pop Rivets (see Figure 2b).

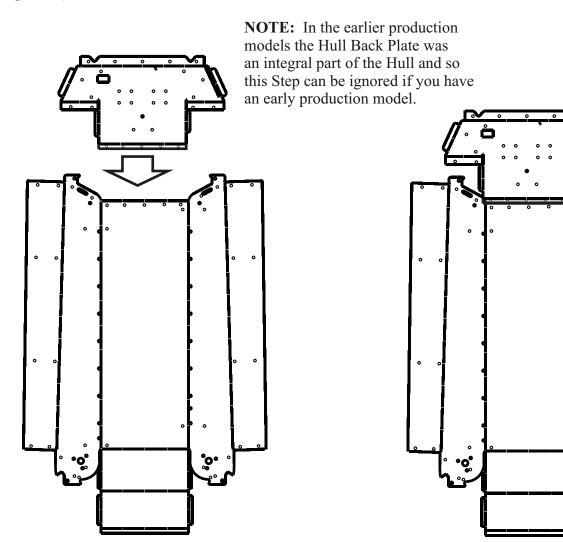


Figure 2a Figure 2b

Hull and Storage Bins

Step 3. Bend all the Tabs indicated in Figure 3a below in accordance with the Note 1. Bend the Rear Plate and the Front Hull Plate up at the bend lines and secure with Pop Rivets in accordance with Note 2. Locate the outer Panels and bend them back 90 degrees toward the inside of the Hull in accordance with Note 3. It is important that the tabs at the low part of the Rear Hull Panel lap over on top of the Outer Panels (see Figure 4a).

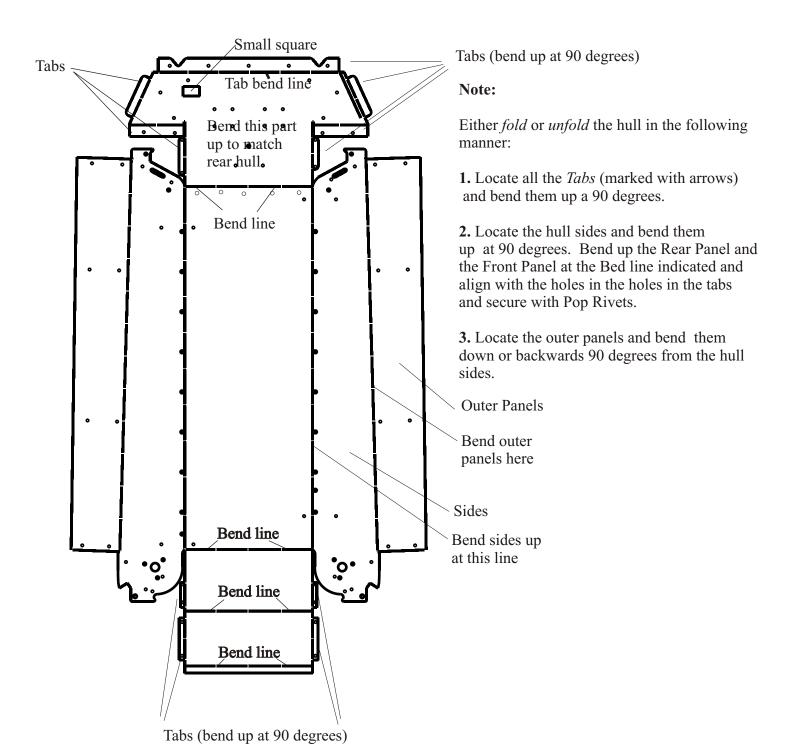
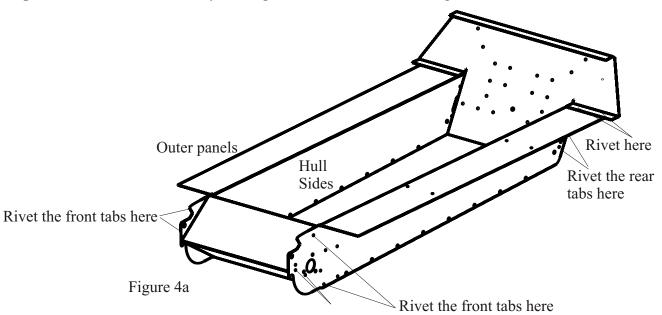


Figure 3a

Hull and Storage Bins

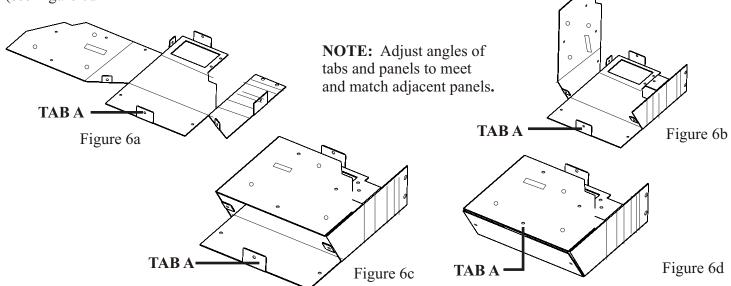
Step 4. When the Hull Assembly is completed id should look like Figure 4a below.



Step 5. Locate the two (2) Storage Bins and the two (2) Storage Bin Covers and note the identification of surfaces in Figure 5a. NOTE: STEPS 5 THROUGH 7 ARE FOR THE RIGHT SIDE STORAGE BIN - FOR THE LEFT SIDE STORAGE BIN SEE STEP 8.



Step 6. On one Storage Bin, with the exception of TAB A bend the Tabs up to 90 degrees (see Figure 6a). Bend TAB A approximately 110 degrees. Bend the Sides up to 90 degrees (see Figure 6b). Bend the back over to 90 degrees and align the holes with the tab on the other side (see Figure 6c) and secure with Pop Rivets, Bend the Bottom up so that TAB A slides under the Back (see Figure 6c). Align the three holes and secure with Pop Rivets (see Figure 6d



Hull and Storage Bins

Step 7. Fold the Sloped Side to match the profile of the front and back (see Figure 7a). Fold the Top over 90 degrees so the Tab slips under the Back (see Figure 7b) and the end of the top with the holes in it is over the top of the Sloped Side. Align the holes and secure with Pop Rivets (see Figure 7c. When completed the Storage Bin should look like the one in Figure 7d.

NOTE: Some models come with only one Storage Bin having the Square Hole in the Back. In this instance this Storage Bin is to be installed on the Right Side of the tank to align with the Square Hole in the Rear Panel.



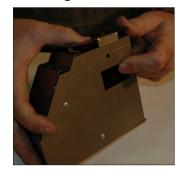






Figure 7a

Figure 7b

Figure 7c

Figure 7d

Step 8. You have now created the Storage Bin for the Right side of the tank. You must now create the storage Bin for the Left side and you do that creating the mirror image of the Right Storage Bin which means bending the second storage Bin piece in the opposite directions to the one you have just completed and following Steps 5 through 7.

Step 9. Locate the four (4) Hinge Halves (Male) and Hinge Halves (Female) and create four (4) Hinge Assemblies (see Figure 8a).



(4) Hinge Half (Male) BRA005-434R



(4) Hinge Half (Female) BRA005-435R



Hinge Assembly Figure 9a

Step 9. Attach the Bin Lid to the Storage Bin using two (2) Hinge Assemblies





Figure 9b

NOTE: On the earlier iterations of the Panther Ausf G the hinge configuration for the installation of the of Storage Bin Lid will be as shown in Figure 9b

Figure 9a

NOTE: Install the six detail strips (ribs)

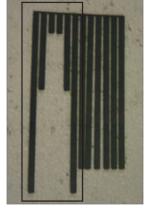
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Figure 10a to the Right.

Bins as shown in

Hull and Storage Bins

Step 10. Locate the Fender and Storage Bin Ribs Piece. Break off the six (6) pieces that are the ribs for the Storage Bins (see NOTE below). Secure the Ribs to the Storage Bins in the configuration shown in Figure 10a using Epoxy

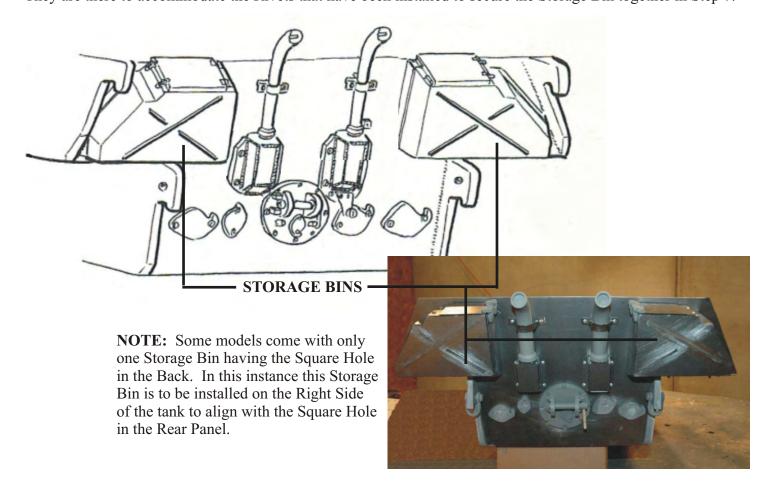


(1) Fender and Storage Bin Ribs - One (1) set BRA003-745M



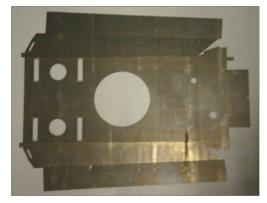
Figure 10a

Step 10. Install the Storage Bins to either side of the Rear Panel. Align the holes in the Rear Panel with those in the Storage Bin and secure with Pop Rivets. You will note the oversized holes in the Rear Panel. They are there to accommodate the Rivets that have been installed to secure the Storage Bin together in Step 7.



Upper Deck

Step 1. Locate the Upper Deck Piece (see Figure 1a). This piece will come folded in the kit and when opened and laying flat it would look like the figure below.

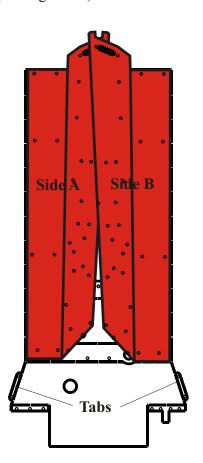


NOTE: view is of the top of the Upper Deck laying flat. The Upper Deck that comes to you in the kit is with the top side facing down and the sides folded in.

(1) Upper Deck BRA003-703M

Figure 1a

Step 2. Before unfolding this piece bend the Tabs on the Front Panel to approximately 45 degrees (see Figure 2a). Fold Side B outward until it is at an angle of approximately 30 degrees from the flat surface on which you are working (see Figure 2b).



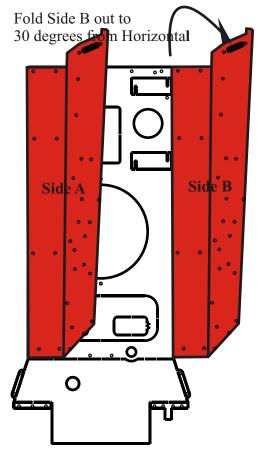


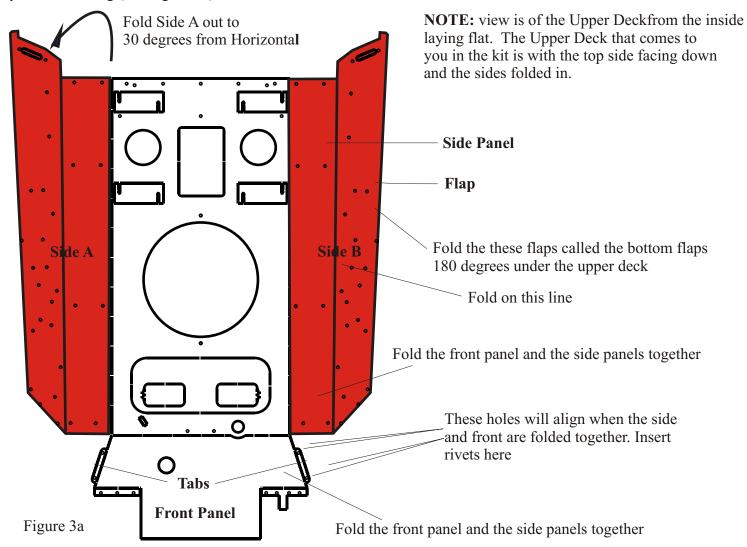
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Panther Ausf G

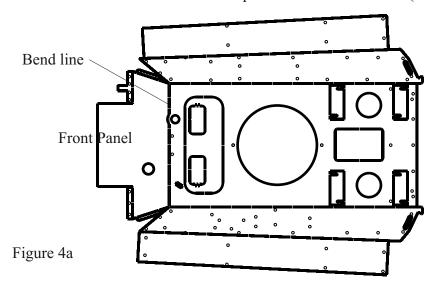
Assembly Instructions

Upper Deck

Step 3. Fold Side B outward until it is at an angle of approximately 30 degrees from the flat surface on which you are working (see Figure 3a).

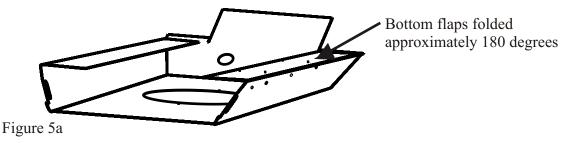


Step 4. Fold Front Panel upward until it meets the Side Panel A and Side Panel B and the hole in the Tabs align with the hole in the Sides. Secure with Pop Rivets from the outside (see Figure 4a).

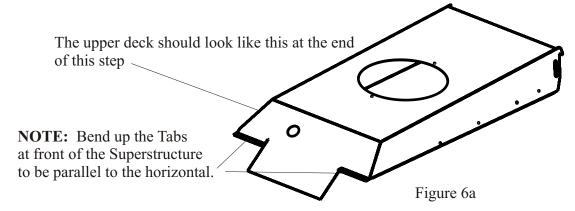


Panther Ausf G Assembly Instructions Upper Deck

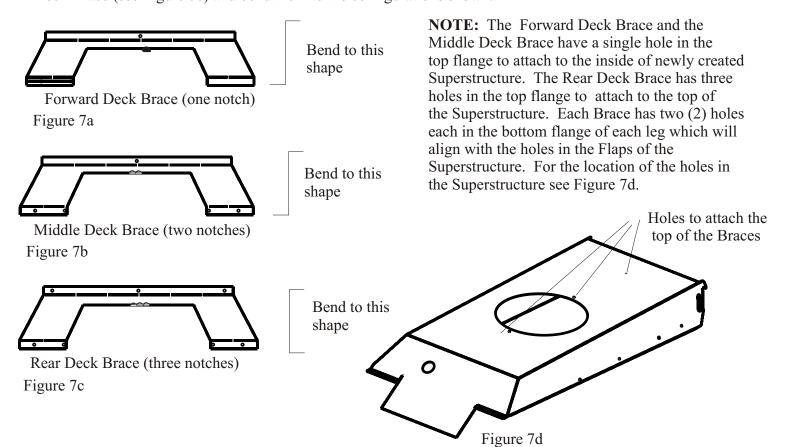
Step 5. Fold the Flaps on either side inward until they are horizontal (see Figure 5a).



Step 6. At this point in the assembly your Superstructure should look as Figure 6a below.

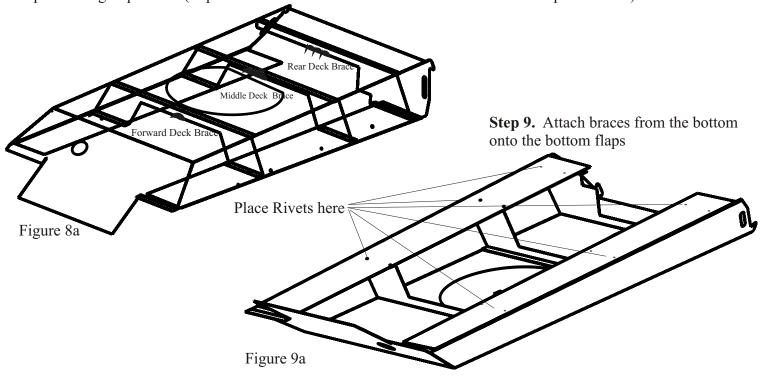


Step 7. Locate the Forward Deck Brace (see Figure 7a), the Middle Deck Brace (see Figure 7b) and the Rear Deck Brace (see Figure 7c) and bend them to the configurations shown.



Upper Deck

Step 8. Install the Braces into the Superstructure in the locations shown in Figure 7a and secure the top flanges in place using Pop Rivets (Pop Rivets should be installed from the outside of the Superstructure).



Step 9. The Assembly should now look like the on in Figure 9a.

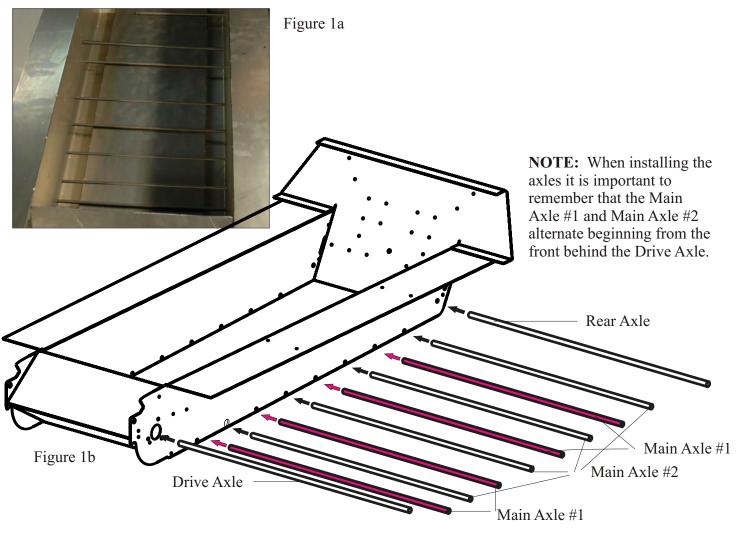


Figure 9a

Step 10. Before attaching the Upper Deck Assembly to the Hull (Chassis) Assembly you will need to install the Axles which is the next Step.

Axles, Final Drive Cover, Track Alignment Wheel and Spacers

Step 1. Slide axles through the holes in the lower body (see Figure 1a and 1b).



Step 2. Locate the Final Drive Covers and install one on either side of the Hull. Hold the Final Drive Cover in place so that the Drive Axle hole is in the center of the hole in the Final Drive Cover (see Figure 2a) and mark the screw holes on the back. Pre-drill the Final Drive Cover for the screw and then secure in place with Epoxy and screws. Locate the Track Alignment Wheels (see Figure 2b) and secure it to the Final Drive Cover in the location shown in Figure 2a.

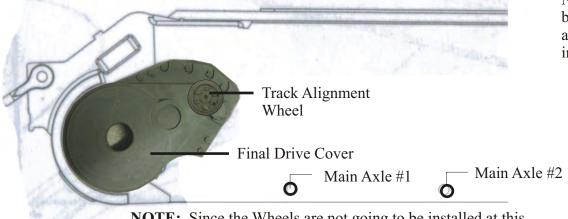


Figure 2a

NOTE: Since the Wheels are not going to be installed at this time the axles need to be held in place manually. They can be held in place with spacer material (see Step 3) or any other means you might devise

NOTE: This step can be done before or after the Drive Axle is installed.

Figure 2b



(2) Track Alignment Wheel BRA003-417R

Axles, Final Drive Cover, Track Alignment Wheel and Spacers

Step 3. Locate the Spacer Material.



(1) Spacer Material - 40" Length BRA003-806T

Step 4. Cut Spacer A to go over the Main Axles, both #1 and #2. They go between the Metal Chassis and the Inner Wheels for both Axles. Cut Spacer B to go between over Main Axle #2 between the Inside Wheel and the Outside Wheel. Cut spacer C to go over the Rear Axle between the Metal Chassis and Idler Wheel Assembly,

NOTE: There is no Spacer for the Front Axle, the Drive Sprockets go up against the Final Drive Cover. Also there no spacer between the Inside Wheel and the Outside Wheel that fit on all Main Axles #1 - the two Wheels fit up against one another.



1.125" or 1 1/8"

Spacer A

Main Axle #1 between the Metal Chassis and the Inside Wheel. Main Axle #2 between the Metal Chassis and the Inside Wheel.



1.375" or 1 3/8"

Spacer B

Main Axle #2 between the Inside Wheel and the Outside Wheel.



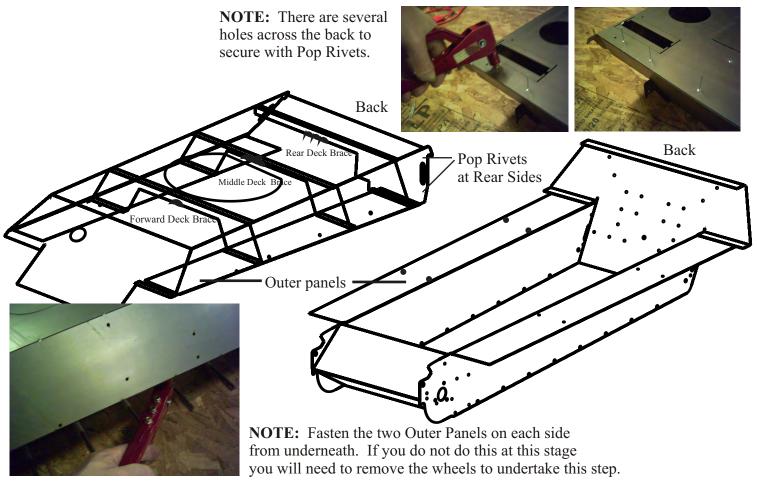
1.875" or 1 7/8"

Spacer C

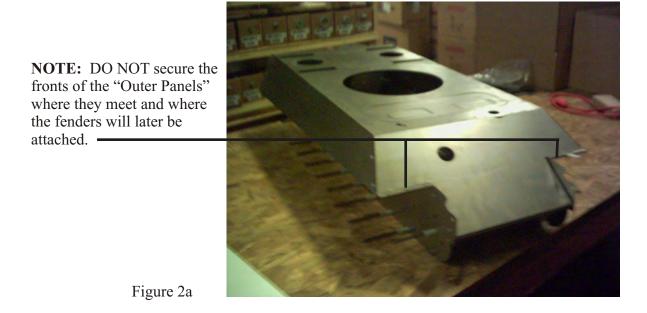
Rear Axle between the Metal Chassis and the Idler Wheel Assembly.

Upper Deck to Hull Connection

Step 1. With the Axles in place in the Hull you can now fit and secure the Upper Deck to the Hull. This is a relatively simple procedure, simply place the Upper Deck onto the Hull and align the holes of each across the Back and in the Outer Panels (see Step 3 under the Hull and Storage Bins Assembly procedures). There are also two hole at the rears sides that need to be secured. Secure with Pop Rivets



Step 2. Your Assembly to this point should look like Figure 2a

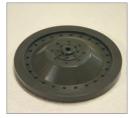


Running Gear

Step 1. Locate the Wheels. There should be sixteen (16) Inner Wheels ("inny") (see Figure 1a) and sixteen (16) Outer Wheels ("outy") (see Figures 1b) When installing the wheels make sure that the open groove or hollow sides are placed to back or inside (see Figure 1c).



(16) Road Wheel BRA001-601R



(16) Road Wheel BRA001-601R



Figure 4c

NOTE; Both "inny" and "outy" wheels have a hollow side. We consider this to be the BACK side of the wheel.



Figure 4a





Figure 4b

Outer "Outy" Wheel

Step 2. Since you already have the Axles installed you can move directly to the installation of the wheels. It is suggested to make this easier that you turn the tank over (see Figure 2a) so that the bottom is facing up. We will begin by installing the wheels in the following sequence and using the spacing material (as described earlier) where required. Begin by going to Step 3.



Figure 2a

Running Gear

Step 3. Locate the Drive Sprockets and Drive Sprocket Spacers. The drive gears are made of 12 gauge steel. There is an inner drive wheel that is solid and an outergear that has cut out detail. They are held together by four (4) inner spacers.



(2) Drive Sprocket -Inner BRA003-730M



(2) Drive Sprocket -Outer BRA003-731M



(8) Drive Sprocket Spacer BRA003-732M

Step 4. Bend the Drive Sprocket Spacer (see Figure 4a to 90degrees along the long seam (see Figure 4b). Bend the tabs at either end up along the sides to 90 degrees (see Figure 4c). Per deck to the Chassis. Attach four (4) Drive Sprocket Spacers onto Drive Sprocket - Inner using Pop Rivets (see Figure 4d). Align the hole in the Drive Sprocket Spacers with holes in the Drive Sprocket - Outer and making sure the teeth on the two (2) Drive Sprockets are aligned secure in place with Pop Rivets (see Figure 4e).



Figure 4a



Figure 4b



Figure 4c



Figure 4d



Figure 4e

Step 5. The Drive Sprockets are now completed (see Figure 5a) and ready for installation. If you have used a length of Spacer Material to temporarily hold the axle in place remove it now and install the Drive Sprocket Assemblies onto the Drive Axle - one on each side (see Figures 4b and 4c). Secure in place with Push Nuts. Note that the Drive Sprocket Assembliesfit up against the Final Drive Covers (see Figure 5d).



Figure 5a



Figure 5b



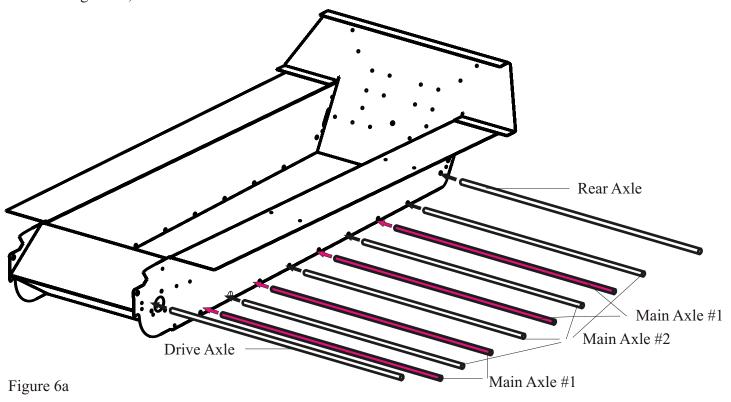
Figure 5c

Figure 5d



Running Gear

Step 6. So that you don't have to go back to find out the axle number designation we are proving the line drawing shown in Figure 6a,



Step 7. Install the one each of the Road Wheels (innys) onto each end (side) of the Main Axles #2 (see Figures 6a above and 7a and 7b) against the 1 3/8" Spacer Material and so that the back is facing outward and remembering that the back is the side with the grove or channel in it.

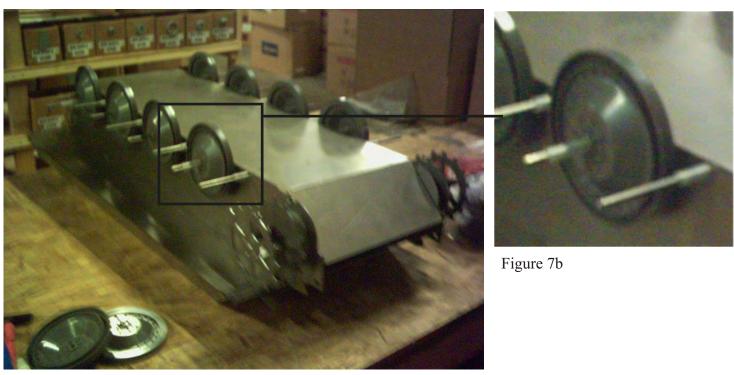


Figure 7a

Running Gear

Step 8. Before we continue any further we need to install the Idler Wheels. Each Idler Wheel comes in two (2) pieces, the Inner Idler Wheel and the Outer Idler Wheel and need to be assembled. Position the Outer Idler Wheel Piece over the Inner Idler Wheel piece so that the staves on the Outer wheel mesh with the groves in the Inner Wheel and then push the two pieces together until they will come together no further (see Figures 9a and 9b). Although they fit together tightly it is a good idea to secure them together with Super Glue. Install the Idler Wheel Assemblies (one on each side) onto the Rear Axle against the 1 7/8" Spacer Material that you have already installed to hold the Rear Axle in place temporarily See Figure 8a). Secure with Push Nuts.



(2) Idler Wheel Inner BRA003-434R



(2) Idler Wheel Outer BRA003-435R



NOTE:

At this point you before securing the Idler Wheels in place with Push Nuts you may want to refer to **Steps 10** and **11.**

Figure 8a

Step 9. Install the one pair (see Figure 9a) each of the Road Wheels (outys) onto each end (side) of the Main Axles #1 (see Figure 6a for Axle locations). Install the 1 3/8" Spacer Material to Main Axles #2 and then install the remaining Road Wheels (innys) against the 1 3/8" Spacer Material (see Figures 9b and 9cand 9d).



NOTE: During this process it is advisable to put together a short piece of track and to check the fit as outlined in **Step 10**.

Figure 9a

Double "outy" Road Wheel set



Figure 9b



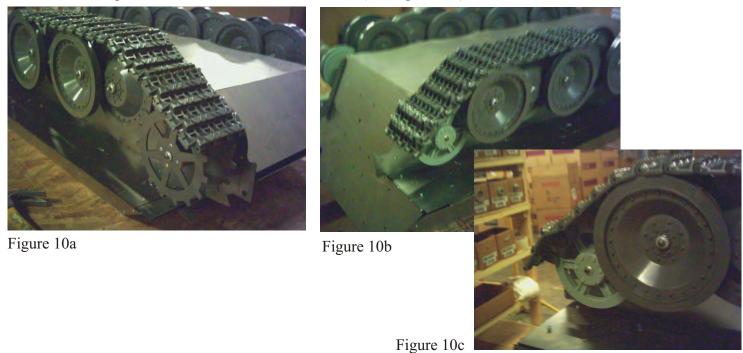
Figure 9c



Figure 9d

Running Gear

Step 10. Before finally securing the Road Wheels in place it is advisable at this point to assemble a short piece of track and lay it over the over the Wheels See Figures 10a and 10b) to make sure the alignment of the Running Gear is straight and true and that everything has been installed correctly. The inside of the teeth on the inside of the track should pass on the outside of the Idler Wheel (see Figure 10c).



Step 11. Secure all wheels in place with Push Nuts.

Step 12. Assemble Complete the Track assembly and install.



Figure 12a

Running Gear

Step 13. The tank with the Running Gear installed, at this point should look as it does in Figure 13a.



Figure 13a

Step 14. Locate the Drive Gear Hub and install to the Drive Sprocket as shown in Figure 14a. Install one on each side using Epoxy. This can be done now or at a later date.



(2) Drive Gear Hub BRA003-406R



Figure 14a

Front Fender Assembly and Installation

Step 1. Locate the metal Fender pieces, left and right and the two (2) Fender Sides.



(1) Fender -Left

BRA003-706M



(1) Fender -Right



(1) Fender Sides -Two (2) Pieces BRA003-707M BRA003-717M

Step 2. Ben the Fender fronts to a radius that matches the cure of the Fender Side pieces (see Figure 2a and 2b).



Figure 2a

Figure 2b

Step 3. Bend the tabs on the Fender Side pieces up 90 degrees, bending one in the opposite or mirror image of the other (see Figures 3a, 3b and 3c)..







Figure 3a

Figure 3c Figure 3b

Step 4. Place the Side pieces onto the Right and Left fenders and secure in place with Pop Rivets (see Figures 4a, 4b and 4c).







Figure 4a

Figure 5a

Figure 4b

Figure 4c

Step 5. Instal the fenders by aligning the holes in the fender with the holes in the fronts of the hull/Upper Deck assembly (see Figures 5a, 5b and 5c). When complete they should appear as in Figure 5d.









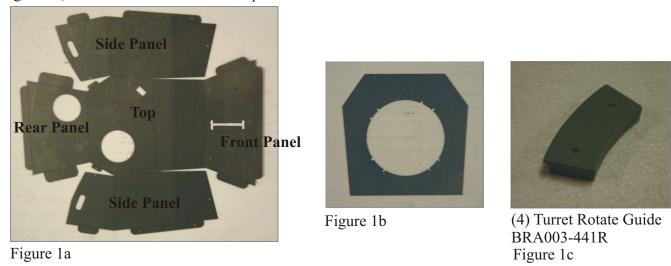
Figure 5b

Figure 5c

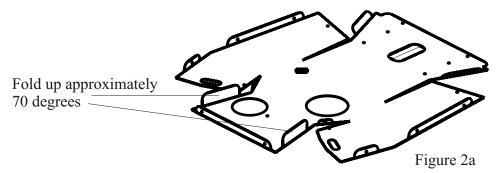
Figure 5d

Turret, Mantlet and Barrel Assembly

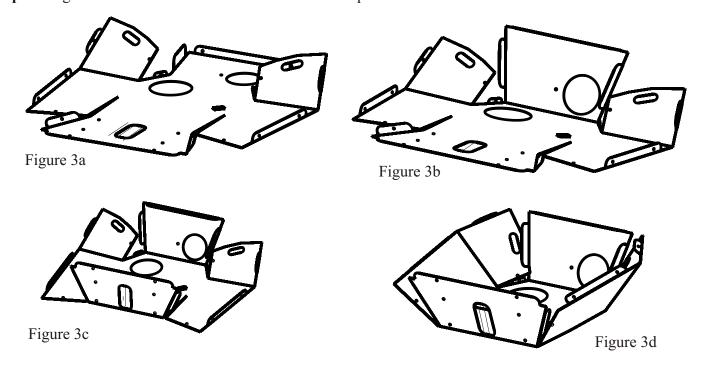
Step 1. To begin, locate the Turret piece, the Turret Bottom and the four (4) Turret Rotate Guides. The Turret (see Figure 1a) will come with the two side panels folded over.



Step 2. Fold the side tabs on the Rear Panel to approximately 70 degree. Fold all other Tabs up to 90 degrees (see Figure 2a)

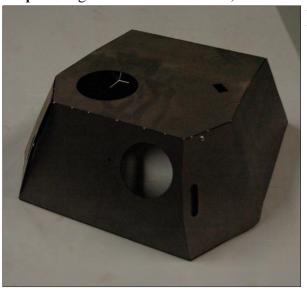


Step 3. Begin to fold the Turret at all of the stitched and perforated lines.



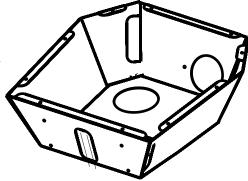
Turret, Mantlet and Barrel Assembly

Step 4. Align the holes in the front, rear and side panels and secure with Pop Rivets.



NOTE!

The back of turret panels DO NOT line up with back panel but extend just beyond



All sides and panels should line up. Put a rivet in holes to secure turret

Figure 4a

Step 5. The turret assembly to this stage should resemble Figure 5a.



Figure 5a

Step 6. Place the Turret Bottom (See Figure 1a) on your work surface and locate the three (4) Turret Rotate Guides (See Figure 1b).



(1) Turret Bottom BRA003-705M Figure 1a

Note: There is not a top or a bottom to this piece until you commit to installing the Turret Rotate Guides. The side to which they are installed will automatically become the bottom.



(4) Turret Rotate Guide BRA003-441R Figure 1b

Turret, Mantlet and Barrel Assembly

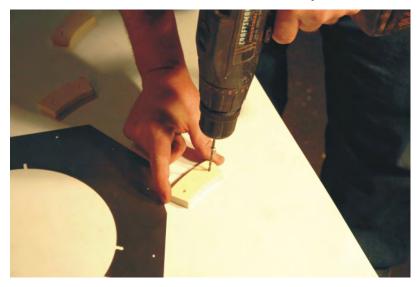


Figure 7a

Step 8. Slide the "started" screws of each of the Turret Rotate Guides into the slots on the Turret Bottom making sure that the inside curve of the Turret Rotate Guide is mimicking the arc of the hole in the Turret

Bottom (See Figures 8a and 8b).

Note: Make sure the rabbit on the Turret Rotate Guide is to the bottom and to the outside.



Figure 8a

Step 7. Pre-drill Turret Rotate Guides using the dimples on the top of each piece as locators using nothing larger than an 1/8 " bit. Drill to a depth of approx. 5/16" and start one #6 x ½"sheet metal screws in each hole (see Figure 7a ands 7b).



Figure 7b

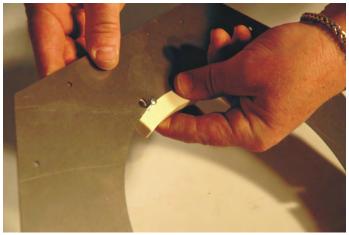
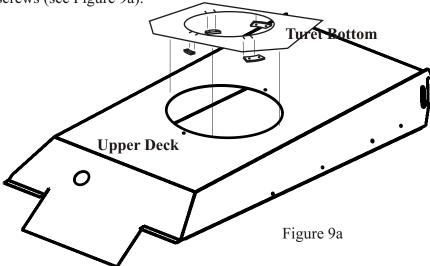


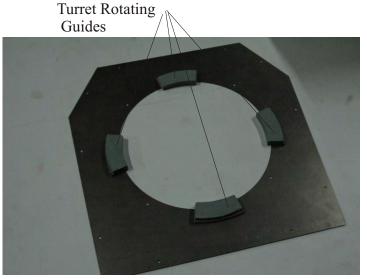
Figure 8b

Step 9. Before tightening down the screws for the individual Turret Rotate Guides and before attaching the Turret Bottom to the turret, place the assembly on the Upper Deck so that the Guides fit into the hole in the Upper Deck. The flange on the Turret Rotate Guide should sit on the top of the Upper deck for each individual piece with the curved vertical surface resting comfortably against the curve of the opening. Once the fit is achieved tighten down the screws (see Figure 9a).



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Step 10. When the Turret Rotate Guides are installed (see Figure 9a) and with the Guides toward the outside install the Turret Bottom to the Turret by aligning the holes in each piece and securing in place with Pop Rivets



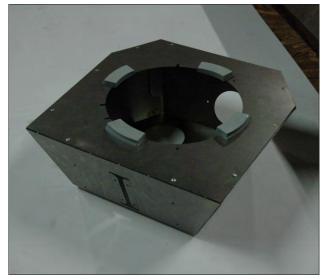


Figure 10b Figure 10a

Step 11. Locate the Turret Elevation Guide (see Figure 10a).



Figure 11a

(1) Barrel Elevation

BRA003-729M

Guide

NOTE: Some of the earlier iterations did not come with the Barrel Elevation Guide as shown here and in Steps 12, 13 and 14.

Step 12. Bend up each side with the curved slot to 90 degrees (see Figures 12a and 12b). Bend back the tabs on each of the sides to 90 degrees (see Figure 12c).

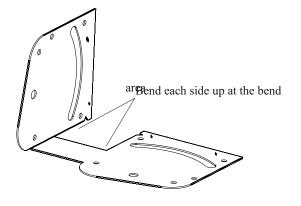


Figure 12a

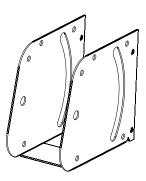


Figure 12b

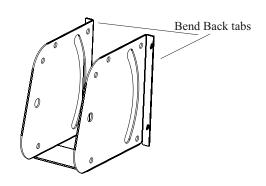
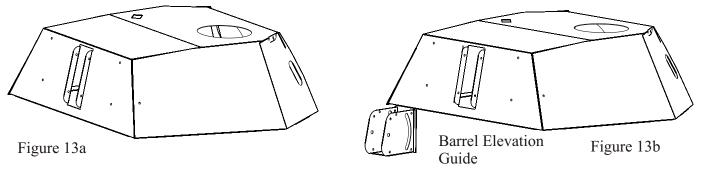


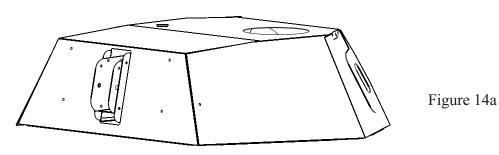
Figure 12c

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Step 13. Bend out the tabs on either side of the opening in the front of the Turret Assembly to 90 degrees (see Figure 13a). Fit the Barrel Elevation Guide piece into the slot from behind and secure in place using Pop Rivets (see Figure 13c).

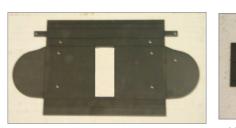


Step 14. Pull the Barrel Elevation Guide into position and align the holes in the Elevation Guide Piece with those in the Turret and secure with Pop Rivets (see Figure 14c).



NOTE: Some of the earlier iterations did not come with the Barrel Elevation Guide as shown here and in Steps 11, 12 and 13.

Step 15. Locate the Mantlet Back and the Mantlet Debris Plate.



(1) Mantlet Back BRA003-725M



(1) Mantlet Debris Plate BRA003-726M

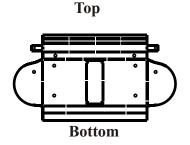
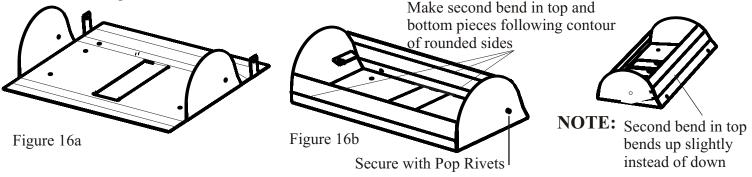


Figure 15a

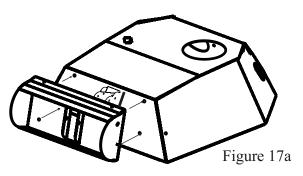
Step 16. Bend rounded sides and tabs up 90 degrees (see Figure 16a). Fold the Top and Bottom panels up to meet the curved Sides shaping both the top and bottom panels along the "bend" lines to the shape of the curve and making sure that the tabs on the top panel go to the inside of each side (see Figure 16b). Secure the tabs to the sides with PopRivets.



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Step 17. Fit the Mantlet Back to the Turret and align the holes in the turret with the Holes in the Mantlet Back

(see Figure 17a). Secure with Pop Rivets (see Figure 17b).







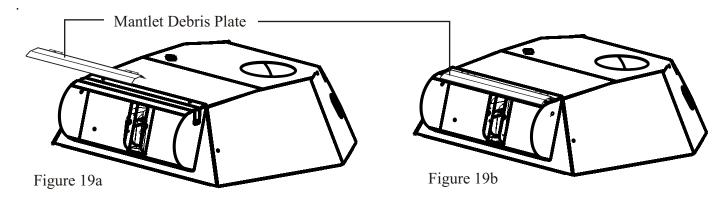
Step 18. Bend the Mantlet Debris Plate at the first seam nearest the tabs to approximately 45 degrees and the tabs on the Mantlet Debris Plate back approximately 70 degrees (see Figure 18 a). Bend the Mantlet debris Plate down at approximately 45 degrees at the other seam (see Figure 18b).



Figure 18a Figure 18b



Step 19. Position the Mantlet Debris Plate onto the Mantlet Back (see Figure 19a) and align the holes in the tabs on the Mantlet Debris Plate with the holes in the Mantlet Back and secure using Pop Rivets (see Figure 19b).



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Step 20. Locate the Barrel Elevation Rotate Piece and the 1/4" x 21/2" Bolt and 1/4" Nut.



(1) Barrel Elevation Rotate Piece BRA003-456R



(1) 1/4" x 21/2" Bolt and 1/4" Nut BRA003-457R

Step 21. Hold the Barrel Elevation Rotate Piece into the opening in the Mantlet Back and insert the 1/4" bolt into the first hole in the Mantlet Housing (see Figure 21a). Put the PVC connector inline and push the dowel pin through the connector and through to the other side of the mantlet housing (see Figure 21b). Secure in place with the !/4" nut and tighten to assure Barrel stability when the barrel assembly is installed.







Figure 21a Figure 22b Figure 22c

Step 22. Locate the Mantlet Back Sides, both left and right and install them onto the ends (sides) of the Mantlet Back as indicated below in Figure 22a. Position the piece so that the top just covers the pop rivet and curve of the part centers on the curve of the Mantlet Side (see Figure 22b).



(1) Mantlet Back Side - Right BRA003-443R

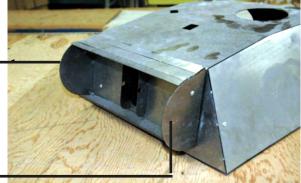
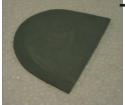


Figure 22a



(1) Mantlet Back Side - Left BRA003-442R



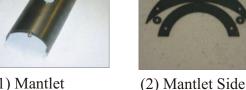
Figure 22b

Turret, Mantlet and Barrel Assembly

Step 24. Locate the Mantlet and the Mantlet Side Pieces.

BRA003-727M





(1) Mantlet BRA003-724M

Step 25. Bend the Backward "C" and the Small End Tabs down 90 degrees (see Figure 25a).

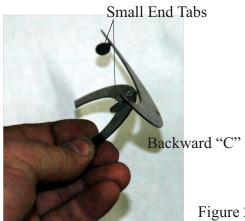


Figure 25a

Step 26. Next, bend and "curve" the half moon piece to match the "C". The tabs on the half moon should line up with the holes on the C piece. (see Figure 26a). Secure with Pop Rivets.



Insert a rivet in the holes to secure the C shape to the half moon.

Figure 26a

Step 27. Secure the Small End Piece to round mantlet with a rivet in the top, middle and bottom of mantlet (see Figure 27a). Perform the same operation on the opposite side.



Figure 27a

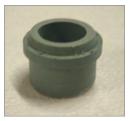
Turret, Mantlet and Barrel Assembly

Step 28. Finished mantlet should look like the one in Figure 28a.



Figure 28a

Step 29. Locate the Mantlet/Barrel Connector Piece, the Barrel/Mantlet Step Down and the Mantlet Machine Gun.



(1) Mantlet/Barrel Connector Piece BRA003-454R

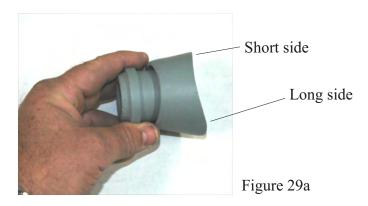


(1) Barrel/Mantlet Step Down BRA003-455R



(1) Mantlet Machine Gun BRA003-429R

Step 30. The barrel outer and inner step down has a long and a short arc on the back sides (see Figure 30a). Rotate the inner and outer barrel step down pieces so that the long arcs match (see Figure 30b).



aligned then the two pieces will match up.

Holes for attaching to mantlet

When the inner and outer arcs are

Step 31. Turn Mantlet over and align Mantlet/Barrel Connector Piece with the holes in the mantlet (see Figure 30a) and secure. Secure the step down to the mantlet together with two (2) of the #6 x ½" screws provided (see Figure 31b).



Figure 31a



Figure 31b

Turret, Mantlet and Barrel Assembly

Step 32. See Figure 32a for the finished part with the step down attached.



Figure 32a

Finished part with the step down attached

Step 33. Super-glue the two (2) halves of the Muzzle Break together and then again using Super-glue secure the Muzzle Break into the end of the Barrel (See Figure 33a and 33ba) making sure that the openings in the Muzzle break are positioned horizontally.



(2) Muzzle Break BRA003-448R



Figure 33a



Figure 33b

Step 34. Insert the barrel into the Mantlet Barrel Connector Piece/Barrel Mantlet Step Down in the Mantlet Assembly (see Figure 34a). The Barrel length between the end of the Barrel before the Muzzle Break and the Barrel Mantlet Step down should be 22 3/8". Secure in place with Super Glue making sure that the Muzzle Break is at 90 degrees to the horizontal portion of the Mantlet Assembly (see Figure 34b).



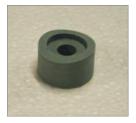
Figure 34a.



Figure 34b

Turret, Mantlet and Barrel Assembly

Step 35. Locate the Mantlet Machine Gun.



(1) Mantlet Machine Gun BRA003-429R

Step 36. Install the Mantlet Machine Gun behind the larger of the two (2) holes in the Mantlet and which si to the left of the Barrel Connector Piece/Barrel Mantlet Step Down (when facing the tank [see Figure 35a and 35b]). Assure the hole in the Resin Piece is centered in the hole in the Mantlet (see Figure 35c).



Figure 9c



Figure 9c



Figure 9c

Step 36. Install the Barrel Assembly into the barrel elevation Piece of the Turret (see Figure 36a).



Figure 36a

Turret, Mantlet and Barrel Assembly

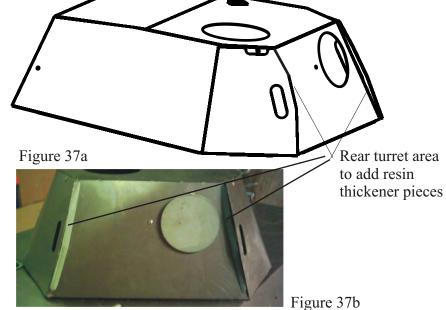
Step 37. Locate the Right and Left Rear Turret Thickening Plates and install the Rear Turret Thickening Plates to the locations as shown in Figure 37a and 37b.



(1) Rear Turret Thickening Plate -Left BRA003-458R



(1) Rear Turret Thickening Plate -Right BRA003-459R



On the rear of the Turret, add the Thickening Plates to simulate that the metal is really this thick. Add putty to blend the metal resin part and remove seam.

Step 38. Locate the two (2 Mantlet Stops and install them to the location as shown in Figures 38a and 38b for the Right side and 38c and 38d for the Left. The Turret Stop sits just under the and against the end of the Mantlet Back.



(2) Mantlet Stop BRA003-465R

Figure 38a



Figure 38b



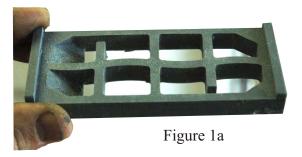
Figure 38d

Engine Intake Grill Installation

Step 1. Locate the four (4) Engine Intake Grills. Install the Engine Intake Grills into the four corners at the rear of the Upper Deck over the engine (see Figure 1a).



(4) Engine Intake Grill BRA003-430R



Step 2. The (4) Engine Intake Grills are to be installed into Engine Cover portion of the Upper Deck (see Figure 2a).



Figure 2a

Step 3. To achieve the installation at the notch bend the small tabs at the bottom of the larger tabs out to 90 degrees (see Figure 3a and 3b). Then bend the larger tab down into the opening in the Upper Deck to 90 degrees (see Figure 3b and 3c). Fit the Engine Intake Grills into the pockets (see Figure 3d) you have created at the four corners and secure with Epoxy (see Figure 3e). The grill when installed should look as it does in Figure 3f.

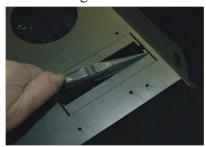


Figure 3a



Figure 3d



Figure 3b

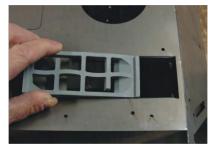


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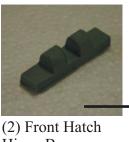


Figure 3c



Figure 3f

Upper Deck Part Placement



(2) Front Hatch Hinge Base BRA003-439R

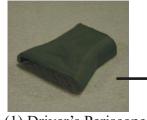


(2) Front Hatch Hinge BRA003-440R



(2) Hatch Hinge Assembly

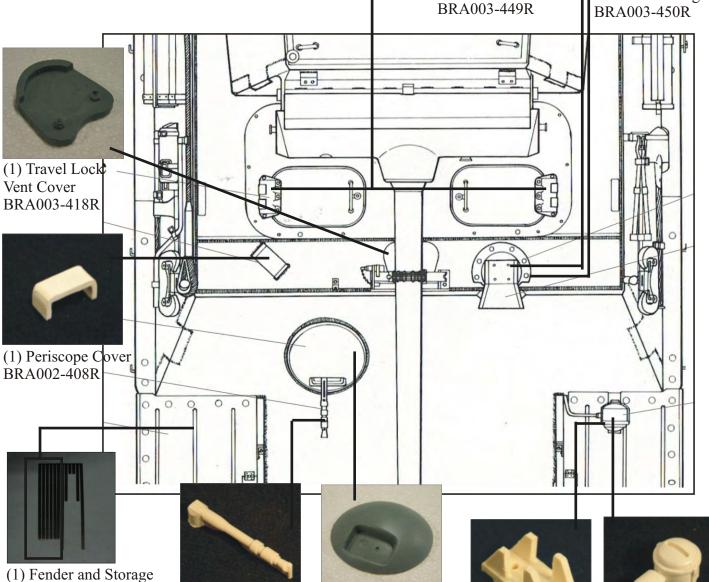
NOTE: If you assemble the Hinge pieces before installing it into the Tank (recommended) make sure to space the Hinge Parts a metal thickness apart before drilling for the hinge pin. Use a length of 1/16' diam. Metal rod.



(1) Driver's Periscope Cover



(1) Driver's Periscope Cover Bolt Ring BR A003-450R



(1) Fender and Storage Bin Ribs - One (1) set BRA003-745M

NOTE: Install the six detail strips to the Right and Left Fenders - three (3) to each side,

(1) Hull Machine Gun BRA001-439R

(1) Hull Machine Gun Mount BRA003-444R

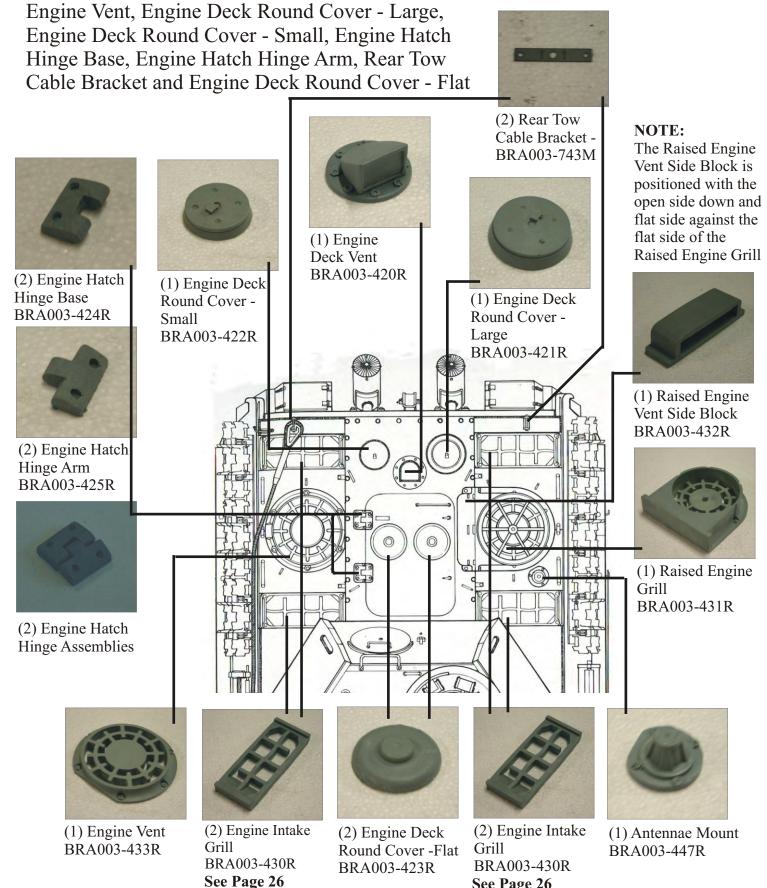
For the Assembly of the Hull Machine Gun and the Hull Machine Gun Mount see Page 60 - Front of Tank Details.

(1) Headlight

(1) Headlight Bracket BRA001-637R

(1) Head Light BRA001-636R

Upper Deck Part Placement - Rear - Antennae Mount, Engine Intake Grill, Raised Engine Grill, Engine Deck Vent, Raised Engine Vent Side Block,

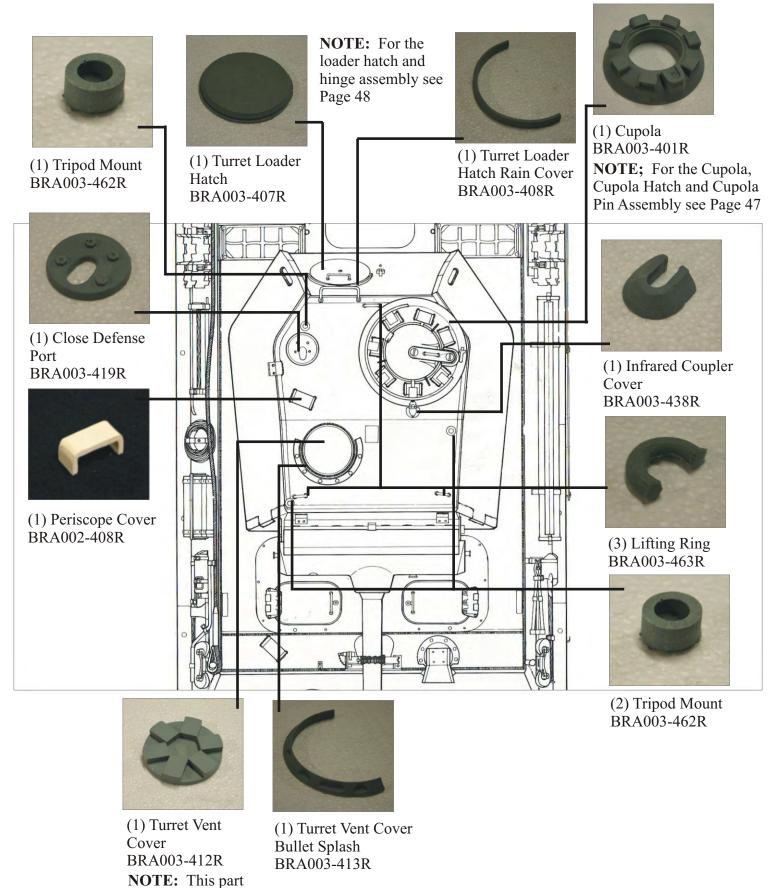


See Page 26

is installed with the

detail down

Turret Part Placement



Loader's Hatch Assembly

Step 1. There are four parts need for this assembly, the Turret Loader's Hatch, the Turret Loader's Hatch Hinge Arm and the two (2) Loader's Hatch Brackets.



Hatch BRA003-407R



(1) Turret Loader's (1) Turret Loader's Hatch Hinge Arm BRA003-409R



(2) Turret Loader's Hatch Bracket BRA003-744M

Step 2. Drill a hole in the end of each leg in the Turret Loader's Hatch Hinge Arm (see Figure 2a). The hole should be just large enough to accommodate the fastening device (not provided - here in the shop we are use a 1/8" x 1/2" bolt and nut). Bend the legs on the Turret Loaders's Hatch Bracket to 90 degrees (see Figure 2b). When the holes in each leg line up the base of the hinge should be at an angle. The angle will match the slope of the back of the Turret.



Figure 2a



Figure 2b

Step 3. After bending the Turret Loader's Hinge Brackets to the proper shape, attach one to one end of the Turret Loader's Hatch Hinge Arm (see Figure 3a and 3b) with the 1/8" x ½ "Bolt and Nut. Insert the Hinge Arm with the bracket attached into the opening for the Loaders Hatch so that the slope on the base of the Bracket is in sync with the slope of the Turret and so that the Hinge Arm is horizontal. Align the hole in the Turret with the hole in the Bracket and secure a Pop Rivet (see Figure 3c and 3d).



Figure 3a



Figure 3b



Figure 3c



Figure 3d

Step 4. Hold the Turret Loaders Hatch (with the grooves toward the inside of the Turret see Figure 4a) against the hole in the Turret and swing the Hinge Arm up against the Door (see Figure 4b). Mark the position where Hinge Arm meets the door (see Figure 4c).



Figure 4a



Figure 4b



Figure 4c

Loader's Hatch Assembly

Step 5. Place the second Hinge Bracket on the spot you marked on the back of the Door and drill a pilot hole to take a screw (not provided)(see Figure 5a) to hold the Bracket in place that won't come through to the front of the door when installed. Secure the hinge Bracket in place with Epoxy and the screw (see Figure 5b).





Figure 5a

Figure 5b

Step 6. Using a second 1/8" x ½"Bolt and Nut (see Figure 6a) mount the Door and Hinge Bracket Assembly to the open end of the Hinge Arm and tighten the a snugness (see Figure 6b).





Figure 5c

Figure 5d

Step 7. When installation is complete the Assembly should operate as shown in Figures 7a and 7b.

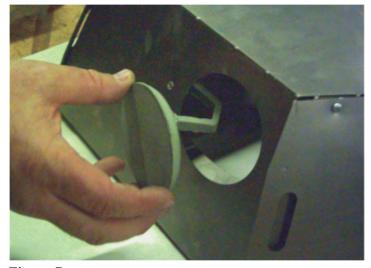




Figure 7a

Figure 7b

Barrel Travel Lock Assembly

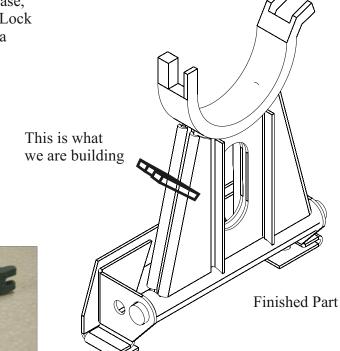
Step 1. Locate the Travel Lock Body, the Travel Lock Base, the Travel Lock Arm, the travel Lock Pin and the Travel Lock Seat and assemble them into a piece resembling Figure 1a following the steps below.



(1) Travel Lock Body BRA003-734M



(1) Travel Lock Base BRA003-733M



(1) Travel Lock Arm BRA003-426R

Figure 2a



(1) Travel Lock Pin BRA003-427R



(1) Travel Lock Seat BRA003-428R

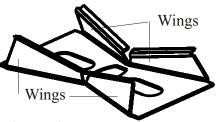


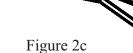
Step 2. Bend the outside 1/4" tabs up 90 degrees (see Figure 2a). Turn the part over and bend the wings (see Figure 2b) all the way back (see Figure 2c).

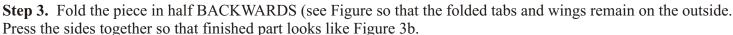
Bend up the outside 1/4 inch tabs

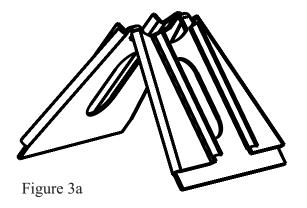


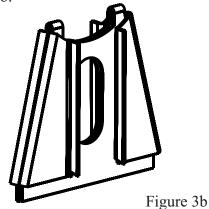
Figure 2b



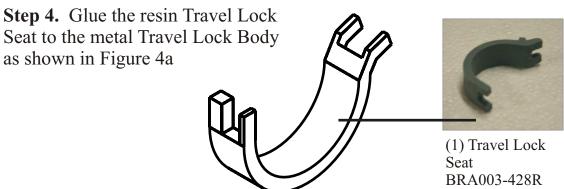


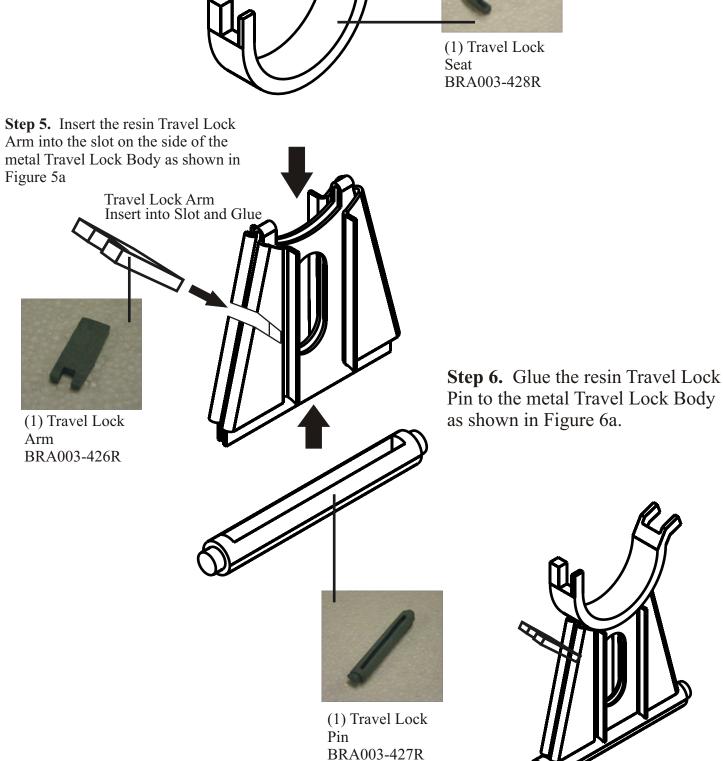






Barrel Travel Lock Assembly





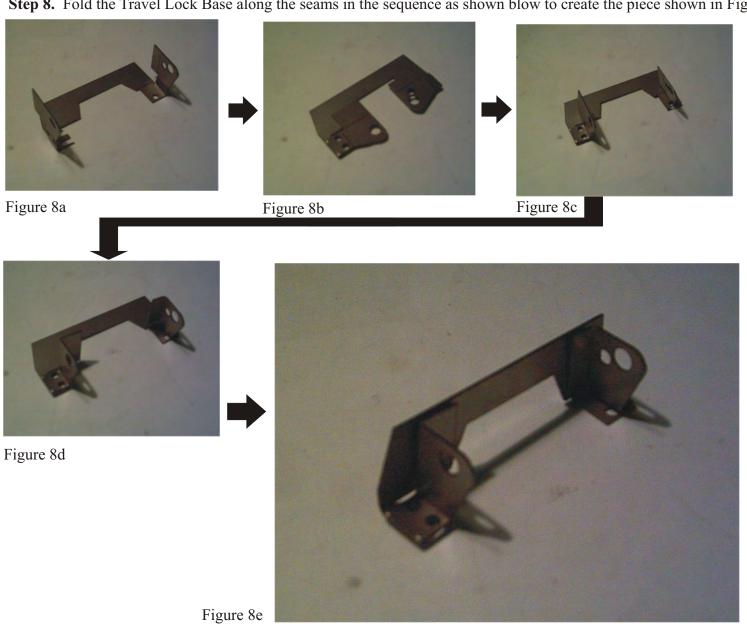
Barrel Travel Lock Assembly

Step 7. Locate the Travel Lock Base.



(1) Travel Lock Base BRA003-733M

Step 8. Fold the Travel Lock Base along the seams in the sequence as shown blow to create the piece shown in Figure 8



Barrel Travel Lock Assembly

Step 9. The next thing to do before completing the assembly is to mount the Travel Lock Base onto the tank (see Figures 9a, 9b and 9c).







Figure 9a

Figure 9b Figure 9c

Step 10. Locate the Travel Lock Vent Cover and install it into the opening in the Travel Lock Base so that the vertical surface of the "rabbit" fits tight against the inner vertical surface of the Travel Lock Base (see Figure 10a).



(1) Travel Lock Vent Cover BRA003-418R

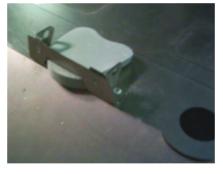
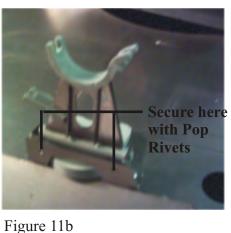


Figure 10a

Step 11. Complete the Travel Lock Assembly by inserting the dowel ends of the Travel Lock Pin into the large holes in the ends of the Travel Lock Base (see Figure 11a). You will have to bend the sides outward slightly to accomplish this. Push the side back into position and secure the sides to the front of the Travel Lock Base with Pop Rivets (see Figure 11b). The Travel Lock Assembly should move freely up and down.



Figure 11a



Part should move freely up and down.

Step 12. When complete the installation should look as it does in Figure 12a..



Figure 12a

Cupola

Step 1. Locate the Cupola, the Cupola Hatch, the Cupola Hatch Pin and the Cupola Machine Gun Rail.



(1) Cupola BRA003-401R



(1) Cupola Hatch BRA003-402R



(1) Cupola Hatch Pin BRA003-403R



(1) Cupola Machine Gun Rail BRA003-404R

Step 2. Drill a 3/8" hole in the Cupola to accommodate the Cupola Hatch Pin (see Figure 2a).



Figure 2a

Step 3. Set the Cupola Hatch onto the seat in the Cupola (see Figure 3a) and align the slot horizontally with the hole for the Cupola Hatch Pin. Set the Cupola Hatch Pin into the hole and fit the Arm of the Pin (see Figure 3b) nto the slot of the Cupola Hatch (some fitting and shaping and sanding will be required to produce the desired result. Secure with Super Glue (see Figure 3c).







Step 4. Slid the Cupola Hatch Pin into the hole in the Cupola and make sure the Cupola Hatch is centered and fits into the grove in the Cupola. When it is completed it should appear as it does in Figure 4b.



Figure 4a



Figure 4b

Cupola

Step 5. Fit the Cupola Machine Gun Rail to the Cupola so that one end attachment plate and one end of the rail is mounted on top of a view port on the left (see Figure 5a) next to the Cupola Hatch Pin (this piece will only fit one way). Secure with Super Glue (see Figure 5b).





Figure 5a Figure 5b

Back of Tank Details

Muffler Covers

Step 1. Locate the two (2) Muffler Covers.



(2) Muffler Cover BRA003-715M

Step 2. Fold up the Sides to 90 degrees (see Figure 2a).





Figure 2a

Step 3. Fold the Back at the top seam between the two (2) large holes up to 90 degrees (see Figure 3a). Fold the Back at the bottom seam between the two (2) large holes up to 90 degrees (see Figure 3b). Bend the Front up to match the slope of the fronts of the sides (see Figure 3c). Bend the Back up 90 degrees to be flush with the ends of the sides (see Figure 3d).









Figure 3a

Figure 3b

Figure 3c

Figure 3d

Step 4. Bend the Flanges on each side outward to 90 degrees (see Figures 4a and 4b





Figure 4a

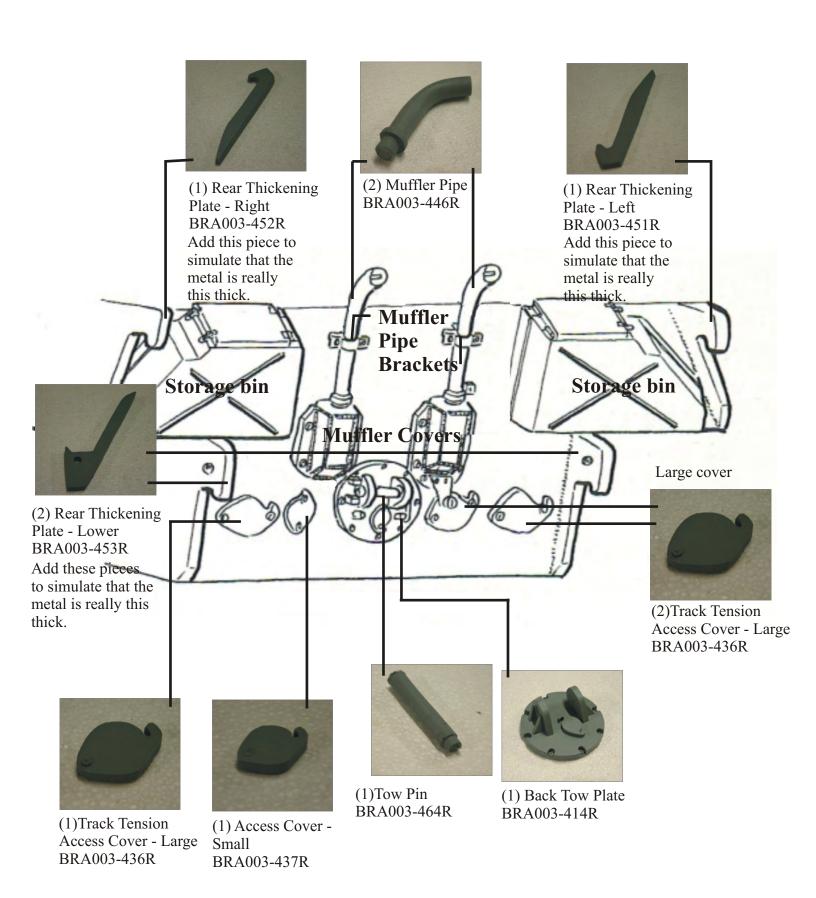
Figure 4b

Step 5. Mount the Muffler covers onto the rear of the tank as shown in Figure 5a.

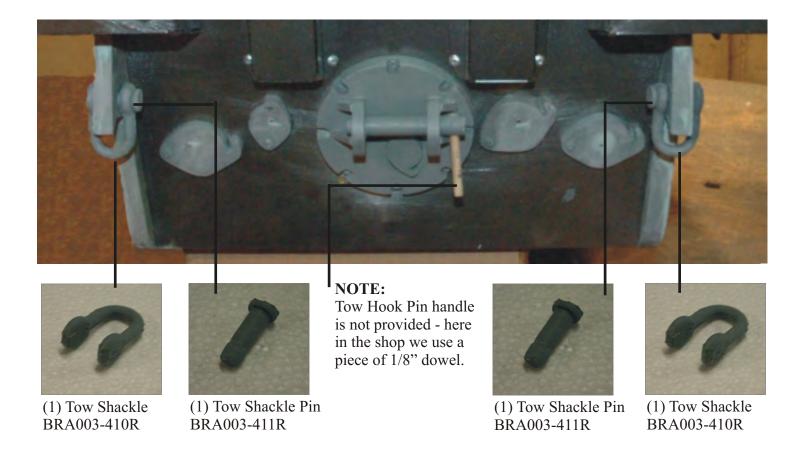


Figure 5a

Back of Tank Details



Panther Ausf G Assembly Instructions Back of Tank Details



Front of Tank Details

NOTE: Drill a 1/4" hole in the Machine Gum Mount at an angle that will allow the Machine Gun to be horizontal (parallel to the ground). Clean up the Hull Machine Gun install it into the Hull Machine Gun hole. Secure with Super Glue.

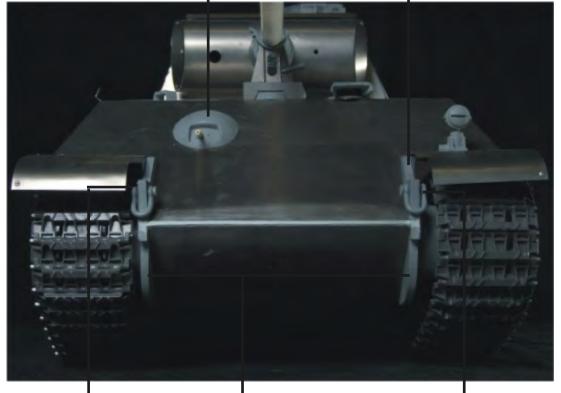


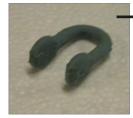
Hull Machine Gun and MountAssembly



(2) Front Thickening Plate - Upper BRA003-461R

NOTE; Add these pieces to simulate that the metal is really this thick.





(1) Tow Shackle BRA003-410R



(1) Tow Shackle Pin BRA003-411R



Pin BRA003-411R



(1) Tow Shackle BRA003-410R

NOTE; Add these pieces to simulate that the metal is really this thick.

(2) Front Thickening Plate Lower BRA003-460R

Side Shield Hangers and Panels

Step 1. Locate the Left and Right Side Shield Rails remembering that Left is selected while facing forward as if you were sitting in the tank.



(1)Side Shield Rail - Left BRA003-712M



(1) Side Shield Rail - Right BRA003-713M

Step 2. Bend the Side Shield Rail to a slight angle, approximately 15 degrees, along the seam that will end up the closest to the Upper Deck where it will be applied (see Figure 2a). Align the holes in the Side Shield Rail with the ones in the Upper Deck that have been provided and secure the Side Shield Rail in place using Pop Rivets (see Figures 2b and 2c)..







Figure 2a Figure 2b

Step 3. Bend the rail edge down at the outer seam to 90 degrees (see Figure 3a). Then bend the rail down so that the top surface of the rail is parallel to the ground (see Figure 3b)





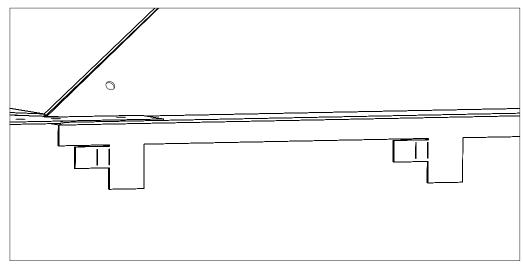
NOTE: The Side Shield Rails shown in these photographs are of an earlier model and did not include the Side Shield Clips as an integral part of the Side Shield rain as shown in Step 1. For more information on the installation of the Clips go to the end of this section.

Figure 3a

Figure 3b

Side Shield Hangers and Panels

Step 4. The Clips for hanging the Side Shields from are an integral part of the Side Shield Rail and before bending to accommodate the Side Shields look as they do in Step 1 and in Figure 4a below. They need to bent in the following manner to accommodate the Side Shields. Bend the Clip outward to 90 degrees (see Figure 4b) and then bend it back at the second seam another 90 degrees creating a "U" shape (see Figure 4c).



NOTE: The Side Shield Rails shown in the photographs in Steps 2 and 3 are of an earlier model which did not include the Side Shield Clips as an integral part of the Side Shield Rail as shown in these illustrations.

For more information on the Clips needed to accommodate the Side Shield Panels on the earlier models see Steps 8, and 9.

Figure 4a

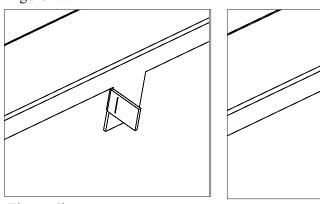


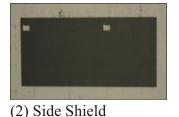


Figure 4c

Step 5. Locate the Side Shield Panels as you are now ready to install them.



(2) Side Shield Type A BRA003-708M



Type B BRA003-709M



(6) Side Shield Type C BRA003-710M

NOTE: The curfs on the openings of Shields Type and Type B are the only thing that differentiates the two from one another as that differentiation causes one typ to be the Front Panel and one to be the Rear Panel. And they are exactly the opposite in placement from one side to the other. In other words the Type A Panel goes in the Front on one side and on the Rear on the other.

Side Shield Hangers and Panels

Step 6. Install the side Shields beginning at the rear (see Figure 6a). Align the holes in the Side Shields with the Clip beginning with a Type A Panel on the Left side (a Type B paenl on the Right side). Slide the Panel onto the and shift it Forward (on the Left side of the tank) or backward (on the Right side of the tank) until the curf drops over the arm of the Clip See Figure 6b).





Figure 6a Figure 6b

Step 7. Continue the process with three (3) Type C panels (see Figure 7a). Complete the Side Shield installation by installing a Type B panel on the Left side (Type A panel on the Right side) (see Figure 7b).





Figure 7a Figure 7b

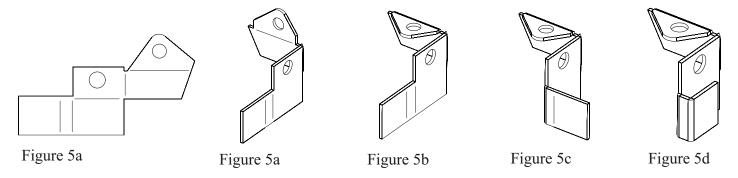
Step 8. This step is to assist in the application of the Side Shield Rail Clips. **NOTE:** Steps 8, 9 and 10 can be skipped if your tank is a later model in which the clips are an integral part of the Side Shield Rail.



Side Shield Clips (for early models only) There is no part number for this item.

Side Shield Hangers and Panels

Step 9. Bend the Side Shield Clips (see Figure 9a) into the configuration as shown in Figures 9b, 9c, 9d and 9e. Bend the right side arm in to 90 degrees (see Figure 9b). Bend the top piece of that arm with the hole in it back inward to 90 degrees (see Figure 9c). Bend the left side arm back in the opposite direction to the right side arm at the first seam to 90 degrees (see Figure 9d) and then at the second seam continue to bend it another 90 degrees (see Figure 9d). **NOTE:** There are six clips for each side and the Left Side Clips should be bent to a mirror image of the Right Side Clips.



Step 10. Install the Clip into the Side Shield Rail by install them into the channel from the underside, aligning the hole in the top and sides and securing in place with Pop Rivets (see Figures 10a and 10b).



Figure 10a Figure 10b

Step 11. For the side panel installation see Steps 5, 6 and 7.

Tank Details - Right Side



(1) Extra Track

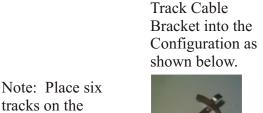
Bracket

Note: Fold the fins on the

(168) Track Link

BRA001-902P

extra Track Bracket into the Configuration shown to the left.



Track Bracket on each side of the

tank

Ropes or Tools are provided.

Note: Mount two (2) of the Dowels into the holes in the Axe Bracket.



(6) 1/4" x ½" long Wooden Dowel BRA003-805P



NOTE: Only the Brackets and Resin Parts pictured here are provided with this kit. None

of the Tow Cables, Tow Cable Connectors,

Note: Fold the

(1) Track Cable Bracket BRA003-736M



(1) Fire Extinguisher BRA003-405R



(1)Right Pry Bar **Bracket** BRA003-738M



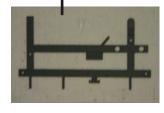
(1) Left Pry Bar Bracket BRA003-737M



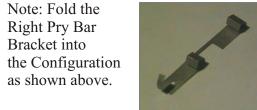
(1) Jack Block Bracket BRA003-735M



(1) Jack Block BRA003-445R



(1) Axe Bracket BRA003-739M



Note: Fold the Left Pry Bar Bracket into the Configuration as shown above.



Note: Fold the Jack Block Bracket into the Configuration shown above and install the Jack Block. Secure the metal band with Epoxy.



Note: Fold the Axe Bracket into the Configuration as shown above.

Tank Details - Left Side

with Pop Rivets.

