

This book contains detailed instructions on building the C-47A 1/48 scale model aircraft from Trumpeter.

In addition to the kit's instructions, there are 4 aftermarket kits with Eduard's BIG4911 set - each with their own instruction. Can you imagine merging all of these instructions? Well, I've done that for you and more. I take the model kit instructions from Trumpeter along with the Eduard sets and break them up into individual steps.

The aftermarket steps are colored gray or yellow making them easy to skip if you just have the basic model. This book provides a little history of the Skytrain, photos of the aftermarket kits, a detailed list of tools that I used to build this model, along with a list of paints. The actual instruction section contains 1,091 steps and 120 plus figures over 173 pages that tell you what to dry fit, glue, and/or paint for each individual piece. Each step instruction shows the source (i.e., either Trumpeter or Eduard) along with a block to mark that you completed the step. The major instruction sequence for this model is

1. Cockpit
2. Cargo Area
3. Cargo Seat Belts
4. Fuselage
5. Doors
6. Landing Flaps
7. Wings
8. Engines
9. Wheel Wells
10. Center Wing Assembly
11. Stabilizers
12. Paint & Decals
13. Landing Gear
14. Exhaust
15. Bottom Antennas
16. Propellers
17. Top Antennas
18. Ladder
19. Add Wings

I provide an index of the individual sprue parts that show where in the book the part is mentioned. This index was a great way to make sure that no pieces were overlooked. Finally, there are several pages of in-process photos with assembly tips and the final photos of my build for reference. This book is a great checklist to make your build go smoothly. Of course, you can feel free to use different tools, paint, weathering, etc. or even add your own diorama. I hope you find this book useful. See a 16-page sample along with photos of finished models and other books at glennhoovermodels.com.