

The 260hp (Rumpler Flugzeugwerke Type 6A7) Rumpler C.IV appeared in the war torn skies of Europe during February 1917 and immediately their successful 1915 two-seat 150/160hp C.1 (Type 5A2), which at the time was faster than the legendary single seat Fokker E.III, and the 1916 200hp C.III (Type 6A5). Whether fitted with a camera for reconnaissance, radio for artillery spotting or a load of bombs the C.IV impressed with its great speed, long range and high ceiling which, for a time, allowed it to operate deep in enemy territory without risk of interception. Of course all of this great performance came at a cost and the lightweight fuselage suffered structural fractures under the harsh operating conditions of a controls so the initial stick control column was replaced by a wheel type relatively early in production. Another improvement was removing the sleek propeller spinner in favour of a blunt rounded nose which, contrary to appearances, was more aerodynamically sound and improved performance by 10-15kph. It would appear that many of these improvements were retrofitted to older machines as the opportunity arose

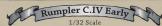
Records are incomplete and sometimes contradictory so a level of confusion reigns as to the correct designations for the various Rumpler C.IV sub-types. Most Rumpler C.IVs were powered by a 260hp Daimler-Mercedes D.Vla engine and fitted with an internal bomb rack, radio and/or (eventually) various cameras. Airframes fitted with specific equipment or different engines were initially all called 'Rumpler C.IV' although Rumpler C.IV' or 'Rubild Mb' or 'Rumpler C.VII'. With a 300hp Basse & Selve BuS.IVa engine it became the 'Rumpler C.IV (BuS)'. A 260hp D.IVa powered version with 4 allerons license built by Pfalz was initially called the 'Pfalz C.1' but was later designated the 'Rumpler C.IV (Pfal)'. Aircraft built under license at Bayerische Rumpler Werke were designated 'Rumpler C.IV (Bayru)' and 'Rumpler C.IV (Bayru) BuS' depending on the engine. A trainer version powered by a 180hp Argus As.III engine was the 'Rumpler C.VIII'. Contemporary references to a 'C.V' appear to either C.IX when fitted with additional fuel pannier style tanks for increased range. Interestingly no photo showing a Rumpler marked 'C.V.' (C.VII' or 'C.IX' is known to us. Any history here is of necessity very brief so for a better understanding of this important aircraft we encourage you to seek out the references mentioned below (plus the new Windsock Datafile 149, Rumpler C.IV At War, Ray Rimell 2011).

WWI colour schemes are contentious at the best of times and we have done our best to provide what we consider to be accurate painting information for this model. The various camouflage schemes and personal markings applied to German aircraft of the Great War have attracted to their liking. Interior fuselage colours are thought to be varnished wood with metal brackets and fittings in black. Tube metal fuselage frames appear to have been painted the same light blue colour as the wing & undercarriage struts. Rumpler C.IV bottom surfaces were usually light blue and top surfaces sprayed with combinations of 2 or 3 colours variously recorded as light green, dark green, brown or mauve. Other colours recorded were white (most likely unpainted bleached linen) bottom surfaces and grey as one of the top surface camouflage colours. A few aircraft received lozenge fabric covering later in the war, the vast majority of which was of the 5 colour variety. Additionally many colourful unit and personal markings were applied, all of which remain amongst the liveliest of topics for modellers to debate.

Wingspan:			
12.66m (41.53ft)	Early 8.4m (27.55ft) - Late 8.2m (26.9ft)	1630kg (3593lb)	175kph (109mph)
No. manufactured:			
2200 including sub-types (approx)	September 1916 - late 1918	260hp Daimler-Mercedes D.IVa	7000+m (23,000+ft)

Rumpler C.IV Windsock Datafile 35, PM Grosz 1992 - Flight Global Archives (www.flightglobal.com), February 1918 &

1914-18 Aviation Heritage Trust - The Vintage Aviator LTD Colin Owers - Private Collections.



Choking hazard. Keep small parts and plastic bags away from children. Use glue and paint in a well ventilated area. Always wear protective eyewear when cutting and a protective mask when painting, Beware of sharp edges on metal parts.

Assembly:

Read all the instructions carefully before starting assembly. Use glue intended for plastic models. Before assembly select a marking option and note optional parts required in instructions.

If installing rigging please drill out all location holes with a 0.5mm drill bit to a depth of at least 1mm.

Only use paints designed and suitable for plastic model kitsets. Decals: Cut out each decal as required. Soak in warm water for 15 seconds. Slide off backing paper onto gloss painted surface of model. For large decals it is helpful to apply a drop of water to the area they are

eing applied to. This will make it easier to maneuver them into the correct position. Please visit our website for additional photos, hints and tips to assist you in getting the best result from your Wingnut Wings model.



Construction Step Part Number

Photo Etch Part





Attention



Decal

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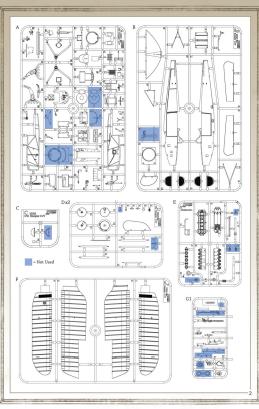


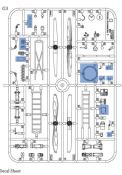


Paint Colour

a	Brass	X31	54	
ь	Gun Metal	X10	27004	
c	Aluminium	XF16	27001	
d	Black - semi gloss	X18	85	
e	Field Grey - matt	XF65	116	
	Leather - semi gloss	XF52	62	
g	Grey Green - matt	XF76	90	
h	Red - semi gloss	X7	19	GC15
	Rust - matt	XF9	113	
	White - semi gloss	XF2	34	
	Wood - semi gloss	XF59	93	
	Grey - matt	XF22	92	
m	Clear Doped Linen - matt	XF55	148	GC10
n	Copper	XF6	12	
0	Yellow - semi gloss	XF3	99	GC14
P	Rubber - matt	XF69	66	
q	Mauve - semi gloss	X16(x1) + XF52(x2)	68(x1) + 29(x2)	GC02
	Dark Green - semi gloss	XF61	30	GC06
	Pale Green - semi gloss	XF71	78	GC04
	Light Blue - semi gloss	XF2(x10)+XF18(x1)	34(x10) + 96(x1)	
	Dark wood - semi gloss	XF68	64	
	Bleached linen - semi gloss	X2(x10) + XF55(x1)	22(x10) + 148(x1)	
	Dark Brown - semi gloss	XF64		GC01

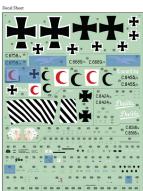
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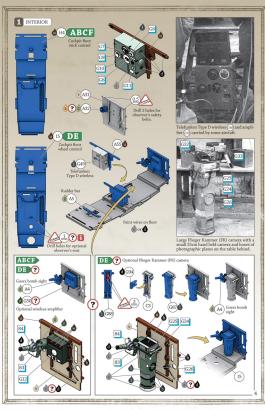


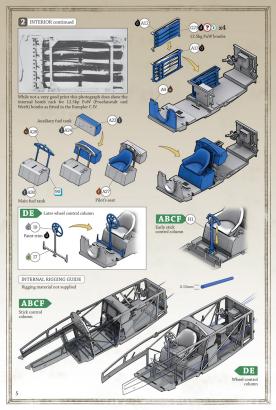


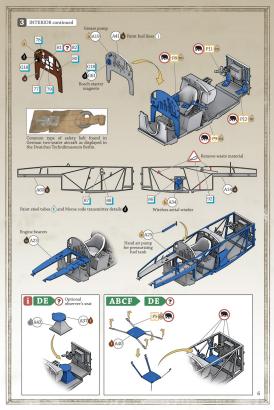


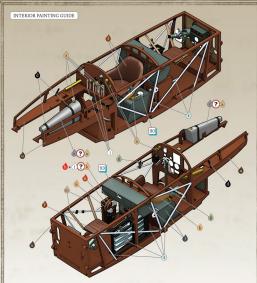






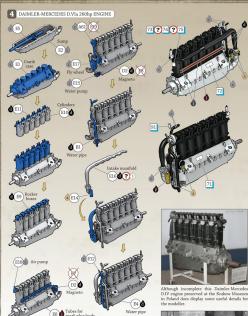






This Rumpler C.I/III/IV(?) was restored in the late 1970s and is now on display in the Deutsches Museum von Meisterwerken der Naturwissenschaft und Technikhas in Munich. While it features many anomalies when compared to a true C.IV (wooden internal bomb rack, lozenge wrapped struts and 180hp Dainler-Mercedes D.IIIIa engine for example) it nevertheless provides some useful information for modellers.

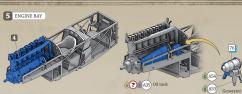






Note the fine wire which was often threaded through the cowl

turn button fasteners to prevent them working loose in flight. Daimler-Mercedes D.IVa engine with air pump (E18) .











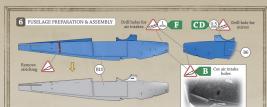


This photo of Ltns Gericke and Pfeifer's FA A 282 (Flieger-Abteilung Artillerie 282) Rumpler C.IV was taken after a crash landing and allows us to see the installation of the IMG 08 'Spandau'.



This photo of the severely damaged Rumpler C.IV 8068/17 reveals many otherwise hidden internal details such as the IMG 08 'Spandau' mount P10 and bottom of the 260hp Daimler-Mercedes D.IVa engine.

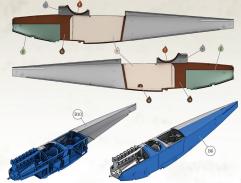


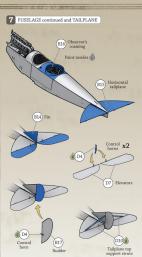




Rumpler C.IV 8512/16 showing the early fuselage with the fabric area extending under the horizontal tailplane. Despite the personal swastika marking on the fuselage it is understood that this crash occurred at a Flieger-Schule in Breig (Brzeg – Poland) during 1918 (ref. C&CU V1381 1972).











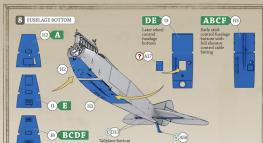
Tailplane detail from an early production Rumpler C.IV. Note the elevator control horns (D4), flat upper surface of the horizontal tailplanes and unlaced fuselage fabric.



Tailglane detail from crashed Rumpler CLV 8270/16 as eseen on pag 13. Note the factory work number, seen on pag 13. Note the factory work number, seen on pag 14. Note the factory work number and R.U. (Roche Unterstutzen) 26/3 above the 'right under strut' 'attachment. The sharp 'saw tooth' edges on the bottom strut (10) were intended to prevent ground crew from using these struts to lift the aircraft. The broken tail said rests on top of the tailplane.



While this photo of Rumpler CLV 8239/16 reveals many interesting details, it is important to note that some of these are unusual and not seen on normal production aircraft. These unusual details include a white surround to the port bottom wing ballenferwate for feature usually seen on later production aircraft), lack of wing assembly and rigging instructions [6] & [6] on the fuselage, balanced elevators and evidence of previously first balanced allevon toos the modified to lywing tips).



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This unidentified Rumpler C.IV has an abbreviated form of elevator control cable fairing. (13) . Note the bomb doors, open camera port and rounded nose (24) . Infortunately the fuselage Wappen (heraldic shield) marking is not legible.

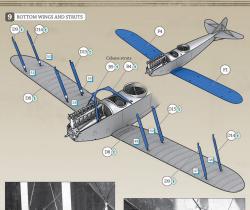


Tail skid

Rumpler C.IV 8239/16 displays an early style of engine air intake (#1) and full elevator control cable fairing along the centerline of the fuselage (#3). Note the wrietess aerial (#4), various access hatches and the bomb doors. See page 11 for a full view of this aircraft.



Rumpler C.IV 8406/16 T from the 3rd production batch of 150 aircraft ordered in November 1916 displays many typical early production features; full length fuselage fabric, small form of weight table, fully faired elevator control cables and sleek propeller spinner.



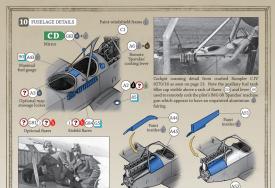




Wing walk detail from Rumpler C.IV 6758/16



Rumpler C.IV 8270/16 has landed heavily destroying the undercarriage, propeller and starboard lower wing. It would appear 13 that 8270/16 was from the 1st production batch of 100 Rumpler C.IVs ordered in September 1916.



Pilot and observer cockpit coaming detail from Rumpler C.IV 6758/16 B showing windshield (1), Maximal fuel gauge (14) + 90 and standard Parabellum mount (4) + (50).

11 TOP WINGS AND AILERONS



Aileron detail from Rumpler C.IV

^ We recommend leaving these off to display your engine detail

8270/16 (see opposite). Hinge, strut and rigging brackets appear to have been painted (t) along with the underside of the wing. Note how the top camouflage colours wrap around to the underside along the leading edge.

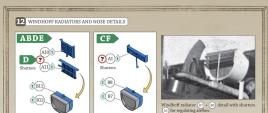


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< Top wing detail from Rumpler C.IV 6758/16 showing spar inspection windows [99] and component identification stencils [31], [45] or [95].

> Starboard wing and strut detail from Rumpler C.IV 8239/16 as seen on page 11. Note the strut identification stencils 51 and 53 visible on the inboard faces of the front struts. Turnbuckles are only present on cables where they attach to the bottom wing, except for the alteron control cables.







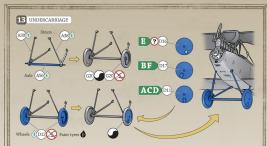






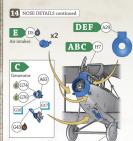


Tall exhaust (SS) detail from crashed Rumpler C.IV 8270/16 as seen on page 13.



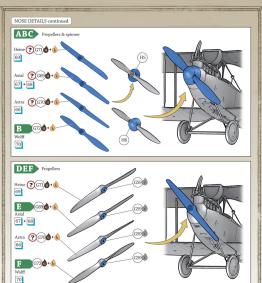








allows us to see the position of the camera port, bomb sight and internal bomb rack opening on the bottom of the fuselage (H3). Also visible is the abbreviated form of fairing (H8) for the elevator control cables. The wings appear brighter than the light blue tailplane and bottom of the fuselage and are probably white bleached linen 🔷 .





The sad wreckage of Eumpher CIV 8415/16 allows us to see many otherwise hidden details. Note the light blue metal tubes of the fuselage structure visible in the observer's cockpit, clabase serts (8) & (8) and what appears to be additional sea back padding for the pilot. 8415/16 was from the 3rd production batch of 150 aircraft ordered in November 1916 and was destroyed before its fuselage could be reinforced.





of 200 round drum magazine. Sometimes a pair of springs can be seen fitted to the the Parabellum mount (G4). Note the map locker (A3) between the cockpits and fuel gauge









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^ Lts Gunther Wolff & Joseph 'Sep' Hennen of FA A 209 display some of the reconnaissance equipment carried in their 270hp Maybach powered Rumpler C.VII 6477/17.

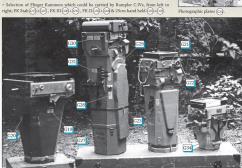


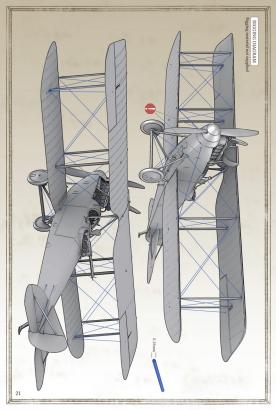


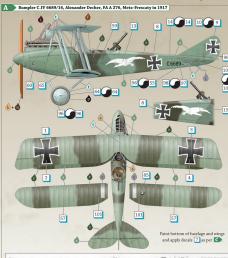
Oxygen tank carried by Lts Wolff & Hennen on high altitude recon-naissance flights.



Photographic plates (G24).

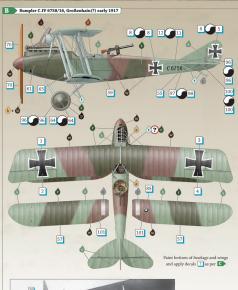








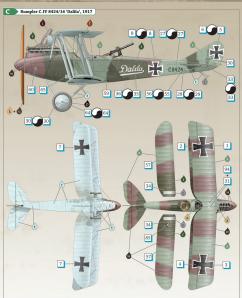
Alexander Deckar leans on the wing of his Flegger Abstellung Artilleric 20°E (FAA 276) Bumpler CIV at Metz-Prescusty. From the 2nd production batch of 150 aircraft ordered in September 1916, 6689716 would have had sleek spinner fased to its propeller when new Both the spinner and propeller have been removed for this photo although the nove lating (m) remains. A personal marking of a flying swan is painted on both sides of the fundage and an altimeter (m). (S) is suspended between the front clause struts. Note the apple of the fundage eisenthreus (E).





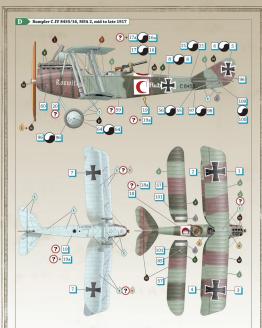
The unidentified crew of Rumpler C.IV 6758/16 pose for photographs, possibly at Großenhain in early 1917.



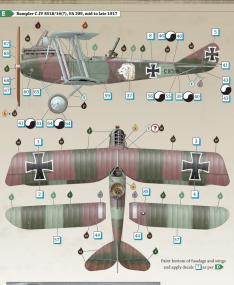




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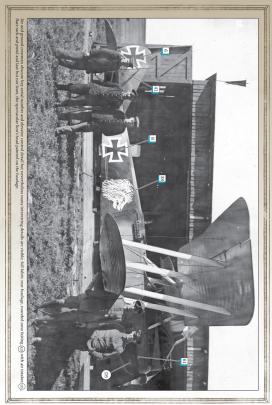


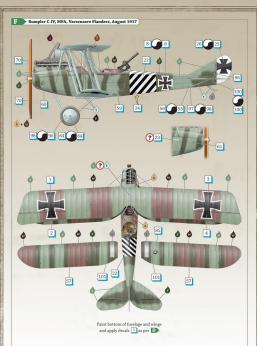
Rampler CLV 985576 from Martine Feld Flager Absenbage 2 (94FA; 2) is another aircraft from the 3rd production barked. Photons showing each side of 885576 a goals in Windook DataBlo 3 and confirm many interesting details, the fabric rear fuselage, blunt tone fairing and dark cannotdage bands appropriate around the nose. There is a name gained on the left side of the none without could possibly be founded to a form the correction for the interest of the print and the side of the none without the could possibly be founded to a form the correction decided to the confirmation of the prints used from the correction decided beet. The Table 'Gabildo) indicates that this machine was intended to the first with a special with a great and the prints of the pr





Rumpler C.IV 8518/16 allows us to see the camouflage patterns on the top of the fuselage and wings. Although the complete serial number is not visible the digits that we can see (?518/16), combined with numerous fuselage details indicate that it most likely came from the third production batch (numbers 8403/16 to 8558/16). Note the mismatched aileron camouflage, paint worn off the rib tapes and how different camouflage colours have been used on the top and bottom wings.





Two photos, both thought to be of this unidentified Marine Feld-flieger Aberliung Rumpher CLV stationed at Varsenaers in Flanders, appear in Windhood; Datalité São and one is repeated in the new Datalité 1409 which confirm many interesting details. Note the unusual rudder cross, the dark bands of canoullage sprayed around the nose, amomenter (22) attached to be pert timer from struct. He striking shake and white fuedage marking in reminiscent of those found not Marine Feld and Sandard Sand



crew and mechanics see to their various tasks. The cowl (MS) behind the engine has been removed while "something" is checked.



3-D Modelling by Bryan Wall Bryan Wall is a product designer, specialising in

computer aided design and 3D modelling. He has 9 years experience as a designer for consultancies in the UK and New Zealand, and has designed, engineered and modelled a wide variety of products, from exercise bikes, barcode scanners and razors, to windscreen removal tools and automated toilets.

Bryan is particularly interested in the ingenuity of the design and engineering evident in these planes, and the comparison of the concurrent development between the warring nations. He is also fascinated with the history conveyed through the surviving reference photographs and drawings. "God is in the details" as they say in the design industry and Bryan feels that the attention to detail and accuracy of the Wingnut Wings kits is what makes them so special.

Aside from design, Bryan is interested in a wide range of sports and music, he is a guitar player and is currently teaching himself the piano, and he also brews his own beer.



Project Co-ordinator, Richard Alexander

A native of Wellington New Zealand. Richard Alexander has a long term interest in military history, race cars & local drivers from motor sports golden era of the '60's. Other interests include mountain biking, scotch and cigars

awarded Best Overall in Show at IPMS(NZ) National Conventions and earned him the inaugural TamiyaCon(NZ) Master Modeller award (along with the associated trip to Japan) in 2001. Many of his works are in private collections around the world, though he no longer accepts commissions

Richard has been in the model and hobby industry since 1991 and brings with him a keen eye for detail and a passion for ensuring our models are enjoyable to build. So if there is anything you don't like about this model, you can blame him.

If you do have comments, requests or suggestions, Richard is actable at richard@wingnutwings.com



Profile Art by Ronny Bar

Ronny Bar developed a keen interest in airplanes from an early age, living close at the El Palomar Air Force Base in Buenos Aires. He first flew in the back seat of a T-34 Mentor trainer at the age of ten, and was soon drawing airplanes and

building models: Spitfires and Messerschmitt first... Camels and He became a successful bass player with a career lasting over 35

ears in several Rock bands, recording ten albums (one of them being a National hit selling more than 100,000 copies) and performing countless concerts, TV shows and tours all over Argentina

Now retired from the R'n'R scene, his interest returned to his early passion: Aviation Artwork. Visiting the WW1 aircraft collection at Hendon focused his already growing interest for that historic period. His artwork is regularly appearing in journals and publications like Windsock Worldwide, Windsock Datafiles, Cross & Cockade and Over the Front.

Visit Ronny's website at: www.ronnybarprofiles.com



Box Art by Steve Anderson

Steve Anderson is an avid historian of military aviation, with a special interest in the ma beautiful biplanes and triplanes of World War I. The aircraft and battles of famous World War I aces such as Baron Manfred von Richthofen

(better known as the "Red Baron"), James McCudden, Raoul Lufbery, Ernst Udet, Werner Voss, and other pioneers of dogfighting are among Steve's favorite subjects.

An Artist Fellow of the American Society of Aviation Artists, Stev creates works that reflect scrupulous attention to historically accurate detail, from the colorful markings on the fuselages to the time of day of an actual battle.

Visit Steve's website at: www.anderson-art.com.



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D132023B	B parts	1
0132023C	C parts	1
D132023D	D parts	2
132E0003	E parts Merc D.IVa engine	1
0132023F	F parts	1
132G0001	G1 parts	1
132G0002	G2 parts	2
132G0003	G3 parts	1
0132023H	H parts	1
0132037I	I Parts	1
0132023P	Photo-etched metal parts	1
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