

Arado Ar E.581-4

1/72 scale resin model kit #AA-2025

In 1943, Arado began work on series of the Ar E.555 flying wing bomber project. This flying wing configuration was thought to be the best design to fulfill a requirement of high speed, heavy loading and long-range aviation. Due to the design acceptance by the Reichsluftfahrt Ministerium (State Ministry for Aviation) in early 1944, the Arado design team scaled down the same configuration to design a smaller size fighter version, the Ar E.581-4. It was a single-seat fighter that powered by one HeS011 turbojet engine. The delta wing with the twin fins was designed as the Ar E.555. In fall of 1944, Reich was deteriorated in war situation. For concentrating the facility resources on the existing fighters production, Arado was ordered to stop all the new projects that included Ar E.581-4.

Specifications:

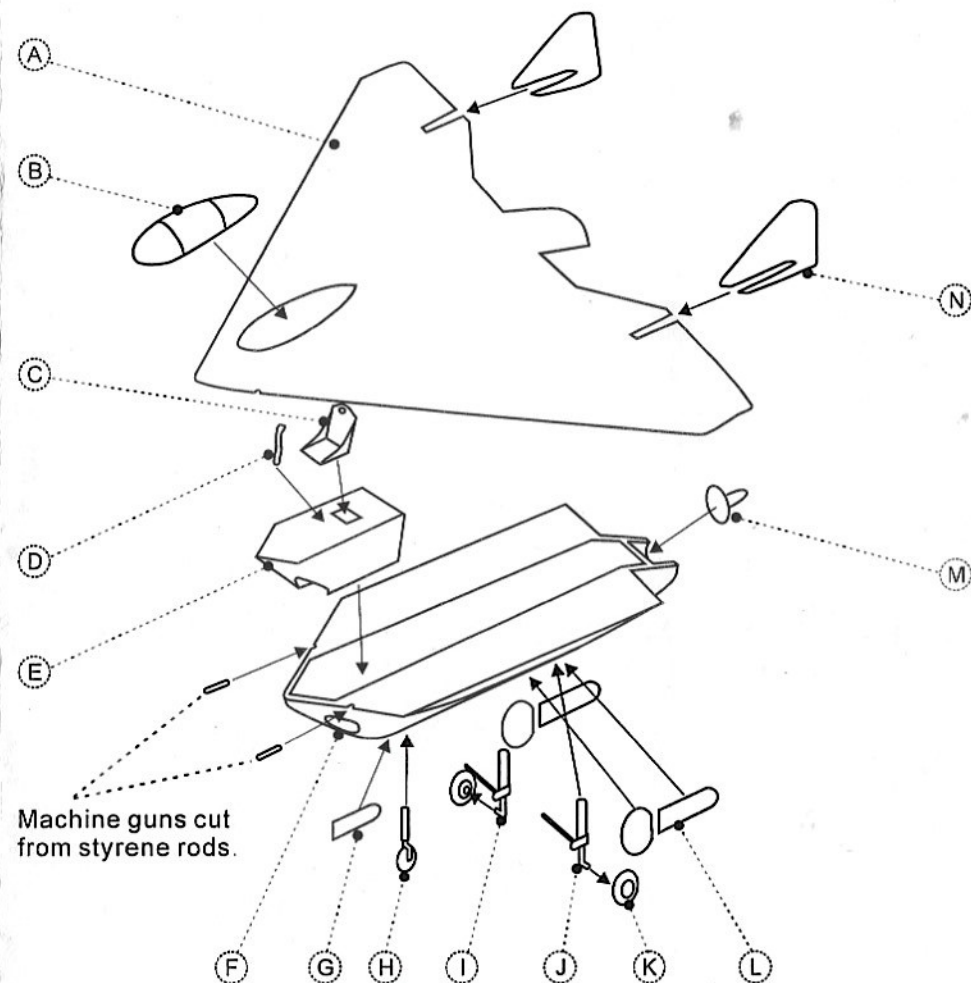
Wingspan - 8m
Length - 5.65m
Powerplants - HeS011 turbojet
Crew - 1
Max speed - 530 mph
Armament - 30mm MK-108 cannon x 2

The Ar E.581-4 was designed with flying-wing configuration that similar to the E.555 bomber.




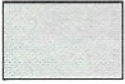



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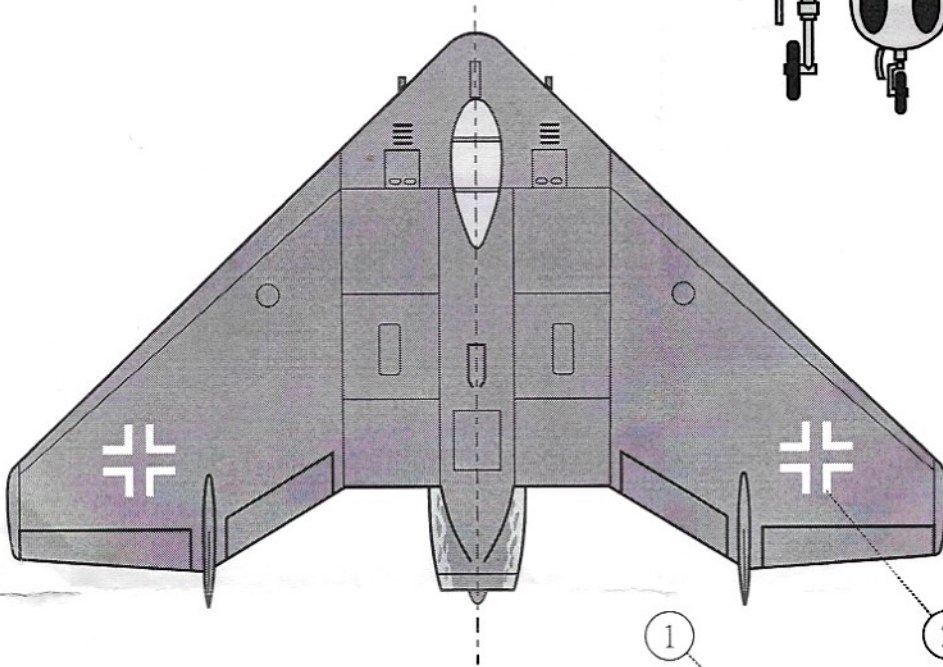
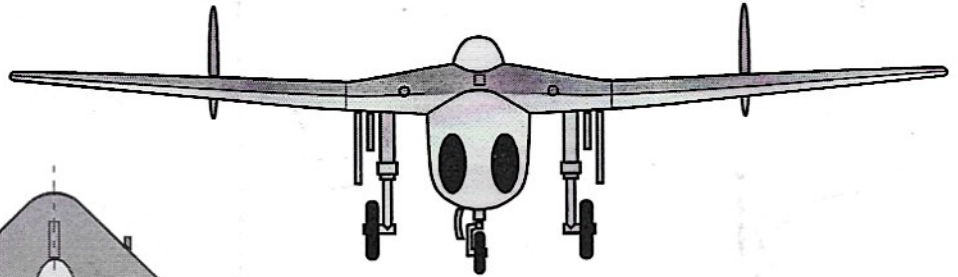
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| (A) Upper fuselage x 1 | (H) Nose landing gear x 1 |
| (B) Canopy (transparent) x 1 | (I) Port landing gear x 1 |
| (C) Pilot seat x 1 | (J) Starboard landing gear x 1 |
| (D) Control lever x 1 | (K) Main wheels x 2 |
| (E) Cockpit x 1 | (L) Main gear doors x 2 |
| (F) Lower fuselage x 1 | (M) Engine nozzler x 1 |
| (G) Nose gear door x 1 | (N) Fins x 2 |

Painting & Decals

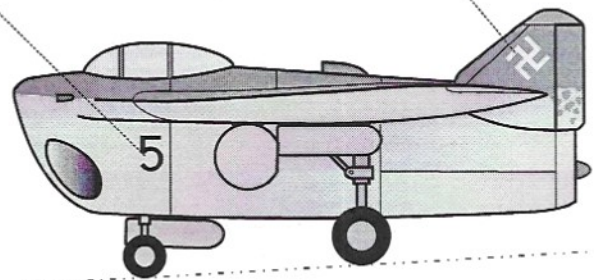
-  Dark green
(Upper fuselage)
-  Light blue
(Lower fuselage)
-  Burn Iron
(After burner)
(Machine guns)
-  Dark grey
(Cockpit interior)
(Landing gears)
-  Flat black
(Tires)



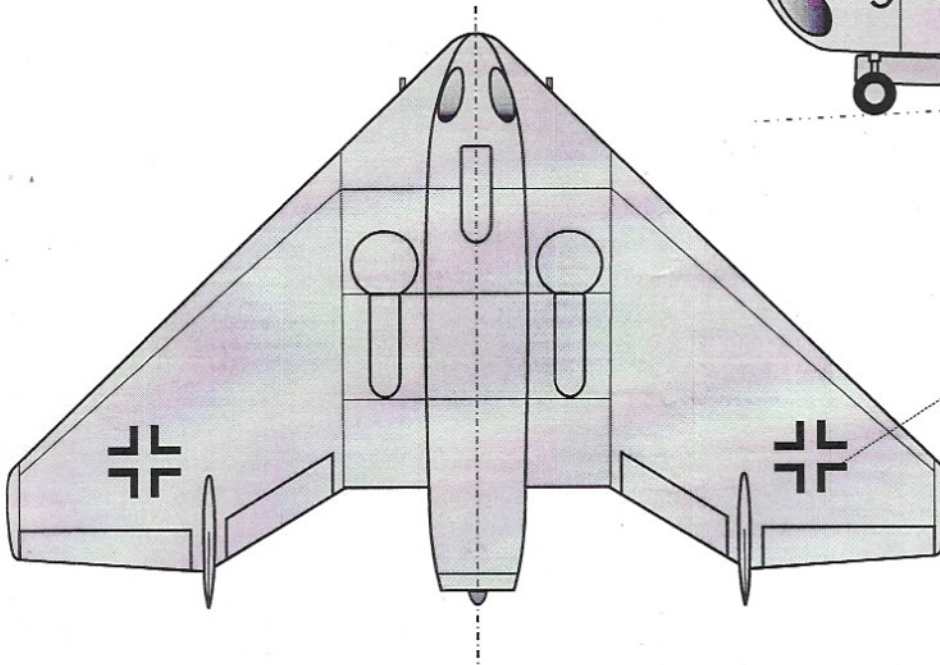
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