

## Josephine My Flying Machine Revell Germany 1/72<sup>nd</sup> scale P-47M Bubbletop



Model by Charlie Scardon Additional notes/ images by Thundercals

Until the Tamiya 1/72<sup>nd</sup> release, this was the best available. A Simple build. No changes or alterations to the kit. The plastic is soft and care has to be taken cutting out the propeller. No flash no sink marks and appears to be correct for the M. The cowl flaps are uneven. That is the worst part of the kit. The belly may be a little deep for some modelers taste.

Paints used for this model were Model Master RAF Green, Medium Sea Grey. The cockpit colors are Interior green, black instrument panel. . SNJ Aluminum was used for all of the leading edge surfaces, the remaining colors are Testors enamels: Red 1103 Yellow 1104.

The subject for the model is a P-47M-1-RE LM X serial 44-21199. Assigned to F/O Leo Batista. Leo's Crew Chief was S/Sgt Grimes. Decals are from SuperScale decal set 72-762 P-47D & M Thunderbolts.

Named for Leo's mother, Josephine. He recalled that she wasn't at all happy to have a nude on the left side cowling of HER P-47.





two images above: S/Sgt Grimes posing by artwork



F.O. Leo Batista. Leo was credited for downing an FW-190 on 31 DEC. 44. He claimed another FW-190 and an ME-109 but was not credited for either. All images this page credited to Leo Batista

