

Panhard 178B '47 mm Gun Late Turret'

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In the interwar years, France's military concept of tank warfare was quite wrong and so the French tanks and combat vehicles built to the concept were less suitable for real combat conditions compared to their opponents and also got obsolete quickly. The only exception was the Panhard 178 armoured vehicle developed before the outbreak of the war. This vehicle was designed to the 1930-32 army requirements calling for an auto-mitrailleur de découverte (ADM) or a fast armoured reconnaissance vehicle with powerful armament and capable of long range. The Panhard et Levassor company finished the first prototype vehicle in October 1933 which passed the army trials in early 1934 and following some required modifications, the military placed order for production. The vehicle with crew of four had a riveted construction and was fitted with the APX-3 rotating turret with 25mm Hotchkiss cannon and 7.5mm Reibel machine gun. The type was given military designation AMD-35. The production was kept delayed, which was mainly due to the turret shortage. Before France surrendered, only about 500 Panhards had been either completely or partially finished. In combat, the type proved as fast and well manoeuvrable vehicle with rather good armour protection. Highly effective cannon made the Panhard equal opponent to Wehrmacht's light tanks. The French troops nicknamed the type the 'Pan-pan'. No other version of the Panhard 178 saw the light of day before France fell. However, an order for the wireless-fitted, turret-less variety of the type was placed based on the already built prototype, no such vehicle left the production line before the capitulation though. A Renault-type turret type with 45mm cannon even did not pass the drawing board stage. Captured vehicles were put to use with the Wehrmacht where they kept on serving until the end of the war on the Eastern front as well as on other battlefields. On top of that, the Germans made some adaptations to several Panhards, this way the radio vehicle with the typical frame antenna was created, even a so called 'draisine' – a vehicle capable of running on rails, and also a turretless tank destroyer armed with a 50mm cannon. However, further development continued in the Vichy governed rest of the country which had not been invaded by the Germans. The Vichy Panhards (a total of 45 vehicles) were modified to a two machine gun variety. A new CDM turret with a 47mm cannon was also secretly developed and the units were used on the already existing vehicles. Later, these were also taken over by the Wehrmacht when the Germans eventually occupied Vichy France. After the war, the necessity to re-arm and reorganize the army became clear, and indigenously produced weapons were favoured. The Panhard 178 was chosen as a suitable candidate for the armoured vehicle category. However, the vehicle had to be modified and updated first. These modifications were undertaken by Fiorger et Ateliers de Firminy company. A new 4HL diesel engine was installed in the vehicle, replacing the original petrol unit. The left hand side of the vehicle bore a spare tyre protected with an armoured plate. The gun turret was all new, of the FL-1 type with more powerful armament of a 47mm SA.35 cannon and a 7.5mm Reibel machine gun. Even larger, 75mm gun had originally been considered, but in the end was not fitted to the turret. The crew could see the tank surroundings via six turret-mounted periscopes. The production of the Panhard 178B variety started with no delay and on 14 July 1945 first production examples took part in the military parade celebrating the victory. The type remained in production until 1947, giving a total of 414 vehicles. These new vehicles were sent to serve both with France-based units and in overseas, in Africa as well as in Asia. The Panhard vehicles saw the service in Tunisia, Algeria, Djibouti in Africa, and were used as far away as in Tahiti or New Caledonia in the Pacific. Possibly the largest combat deployment awaited the Panhards in Indochina where they fought between 1947 and 1951. Several of these vehicles were later transferred to the South Vietnamese Army. Another foreign army equipped with the type was the Syrian Arab Army which used their vehicles until the 1960s.

Characteristics: Panhard 178B

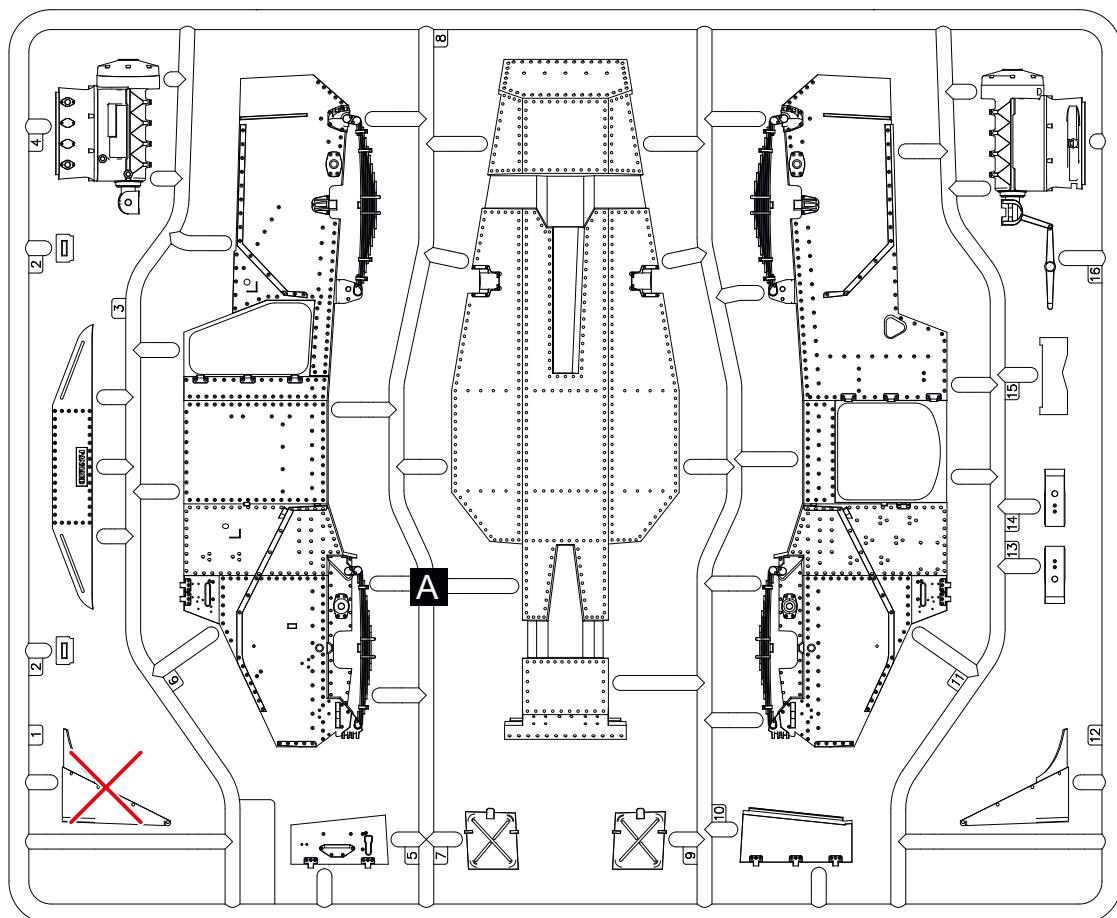
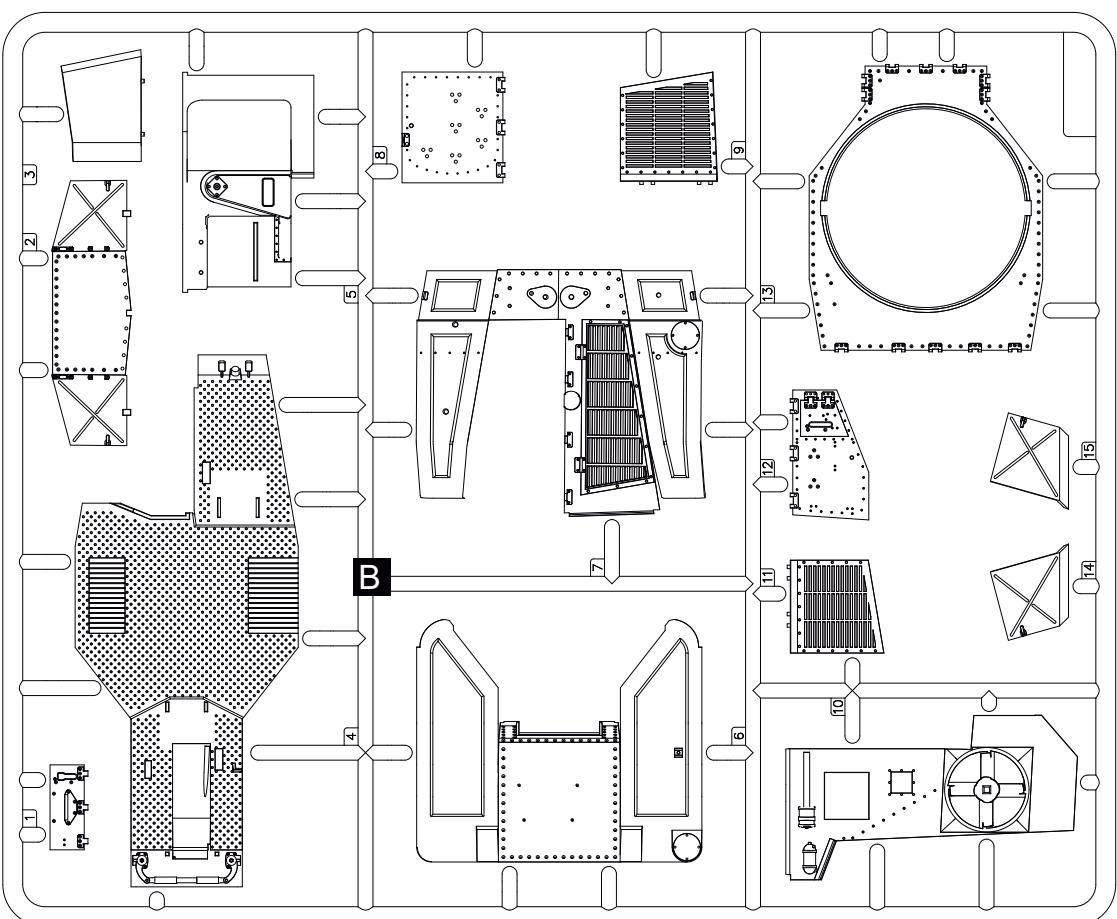
Weight: 8.5 tonnes, length: 4.8 m, width: 2.01 m, max. speed 72 km/h, armament: 47 mm SA.35 cannon, 7.5 mm Reibel machine gun.

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Francouzská mezizálečná koncepce tankového boje byly mylná a francouzské tanky a bojová vozidla, stavěné dle této koncepce byly ve srovnání se svými protivníky méně vhodné pro skutečný boj a rychle zastaraly. Panhard 178 je světlou výjimkou francouzské obrněné techniky, vyvinuté před druhou světovou válkou. Obrněné vozidlo vzniklo na základě požadavků velení armády v letech 1930–32 na auto-mitrailleuse de découverte (ADM), čili rychlého obrněného automobilu se silnou výzbrojí a velkým dojezdem určeného k průzkumu. Firma Panhard et Levassor dokončila první prototyp v říjnu 1933. Ten byl otetován na začátku roku 1934 a po provedených úpravách byla objednána sériová výroba. Čtyřmístné vozidlo s nýtovanou konstrukcí bylo vybaveno otočnou věží APX-3 s kanónem Hotchkiss ráže 25 mm a kulometem Reibel 7,5 mm. Vojenské označení znělo AMD-35. Sériová výroba se opoždovala, zejména pro nedostatek věží. Do kapitulace Francie bylo postaveno nebo rozpracováno okolo 500 ks Panhardů 178. V boji se Panhardy osvědčily jako rychlá a dobře manévrovatelná vozidla se slušnou pancéřovou ochrannou. Velmi účinný kanón jim dovoloval i boj s lehkými tanky Wehrmachtu. Francouzští vojáci dali Panhardu 178 přezdívku Pan-pan. Francouzi do kapitulace jiné varianty sériově nevyrobili. Radiovůz s pevnou nástavbou byl sice objednán na základě postaveného prototypu, ale výroba se do kapitulace nerozběhla. Vozidlo s věží Renault a kanónem ráže 45 mm skončilo v projektu. Křížní vozidla využívalo Wehrmacht, ten je využíval do konce války, na východní frontě i na jiných bojištích. Navíc i část vozidel upravil. Vznikly varianty radiovozu s typickou rámovou anténnou, dresínou či bezvýzový stíhač tanků s kanónem ráže 50 mm. Vývoj Panhardu ale probíhal v neobsazené části Francie pod vládou ve Vichy. Vichystické Panhardy (ve výzbroji bylo 45 ks) byly upraveny na dvoukulometné. Tajně byla vyvinuta nová věž CDM s kanónem ráže 47 mm. Věže byly montovány na stávající vozidla. Tyto vozidla však zabavil Wehrmacht po obsazení Vichystické Francie. Po osvobození Francie vystala nutnost reorganizace a znovuuzbrojení armády, ideálně zbraněmi domácí provenience. Jako vhodný kandidát pro kategorii obrněných aut byl vybrán Panhard 178. Vozidlo muselo být ale upraveno a modernizováno. Úprav se ujala firma Fiorger et Ateliers de Firminy. Do vozidla byl zabudován nový dieselový motor 4HL, který nahradil původní benzínový agregát. Na levý bok bylo zavěšeno rezervní kolo, chráněné pancéřovou deskou. Věž byla zcela nová, rozmněnější, typu FL-1 se zesílenou výzbrojí. Tu tvořil kanón SA.35 ráže 47 mm a kulomet Reibel 7,5 mm. Původně se zvažoval kanón ráže 75 mm, ale nebyl instalován. Okolí sledovala osádka šesti periskopy umístěnými na stropu věže. Výroba vozidla označeného Panhard 178B se rozeběhla ihned. První kusy se zúčastnily přehlídky k oslavě vítězství 14. července 1945 a běžela do roku 1947. Dala 414 kusů této verze. Novými vozidly byly vybaveny jednotky v domácí Francii i v koloniích, jak v Africe, tak Asii. Panhardy používaly jednotky v Tunisu, Alžírsku, Džibutsku. Operovaly na Tahiti a Nové Kaledonii. Asi největší bojové nasazení čekalo Panhardy 178B v Indočíně, kde bojovaly v letech 1947–51. Část těchto strojů pak přešla do výzbroje Jihovietnamské armády. Dalším zahraničním uživatelem se stala armáda Sýrie, která používala Panhardy 178B ještě v sedesátých letech.

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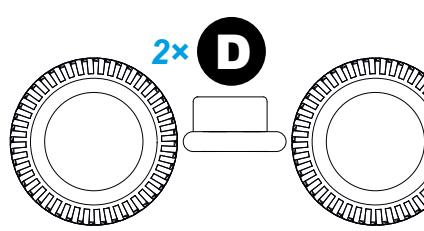
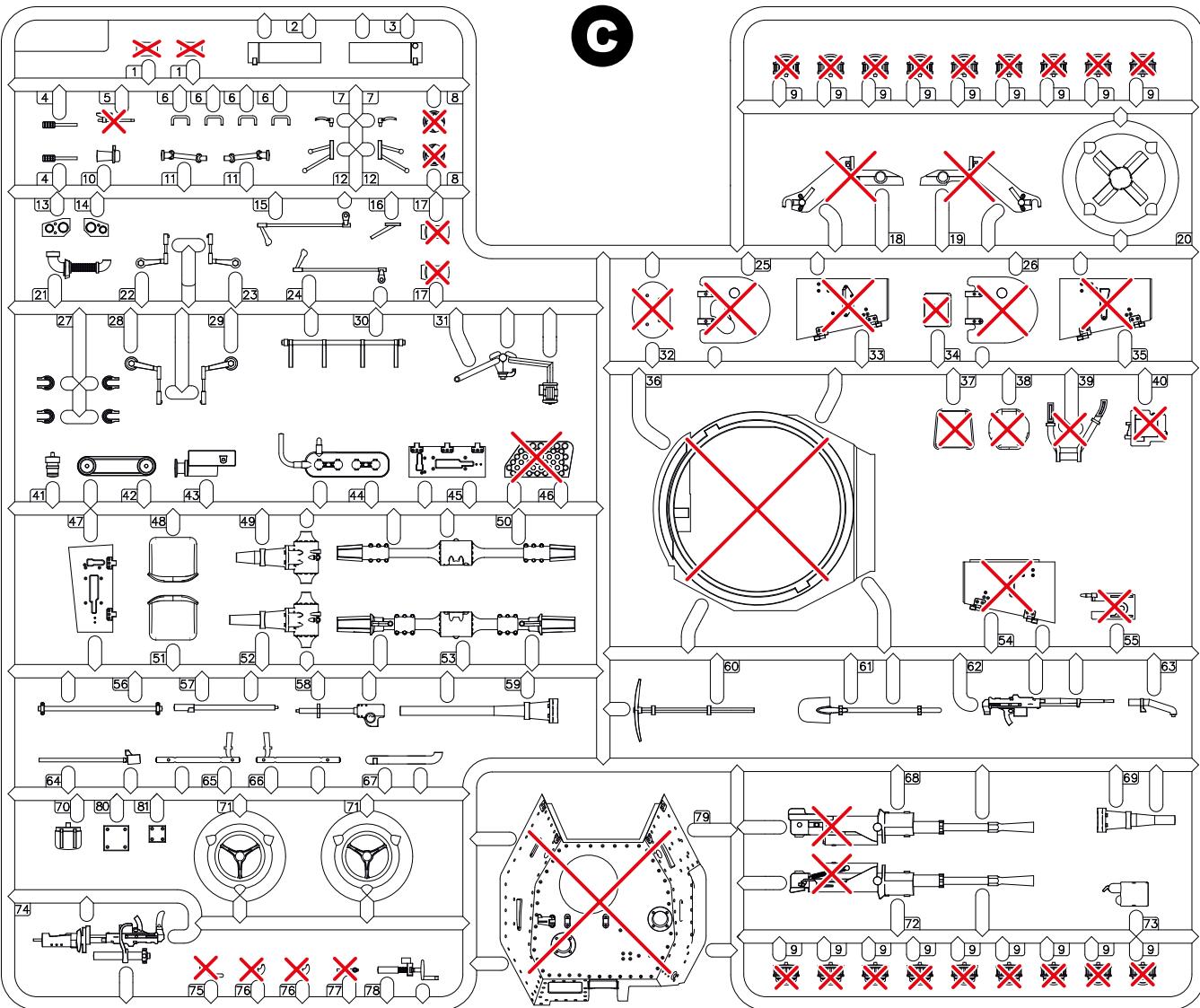
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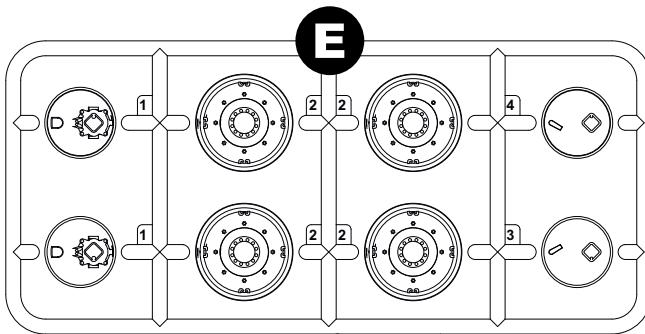
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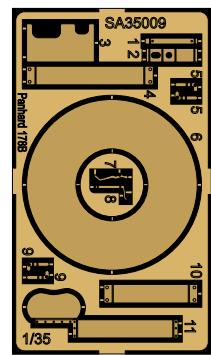
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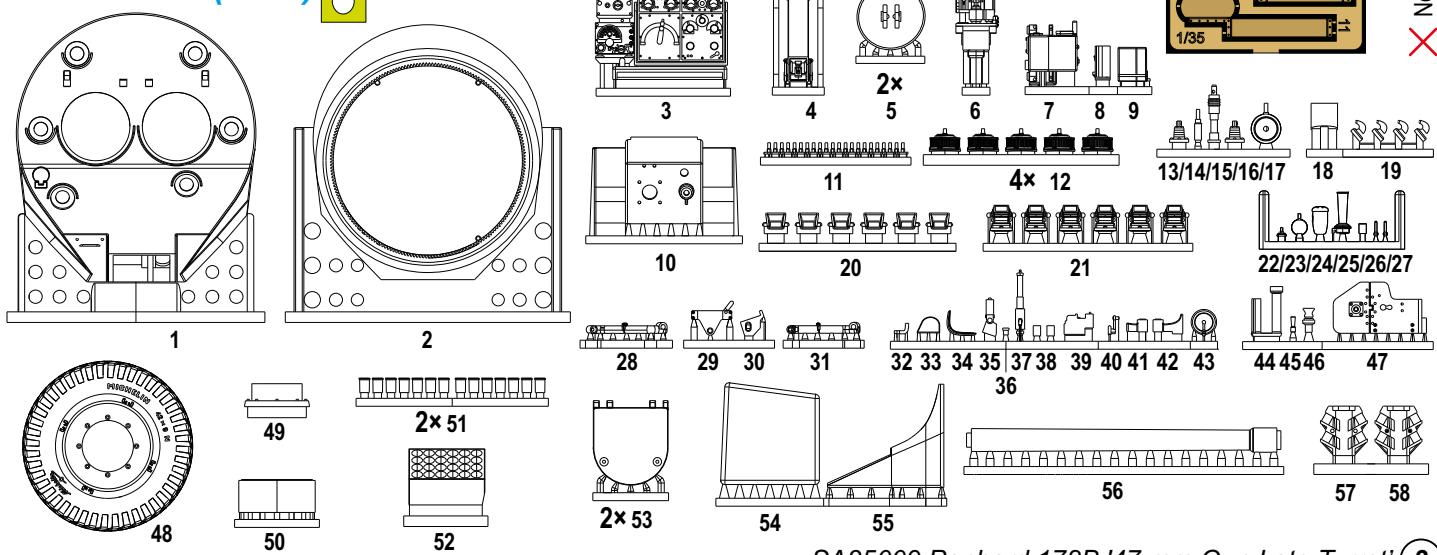


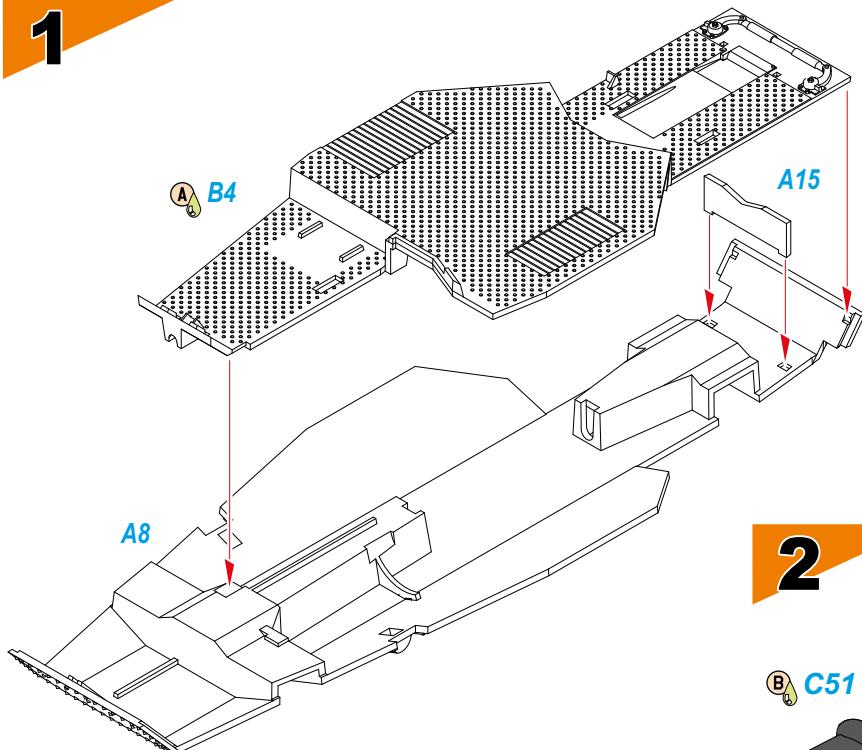
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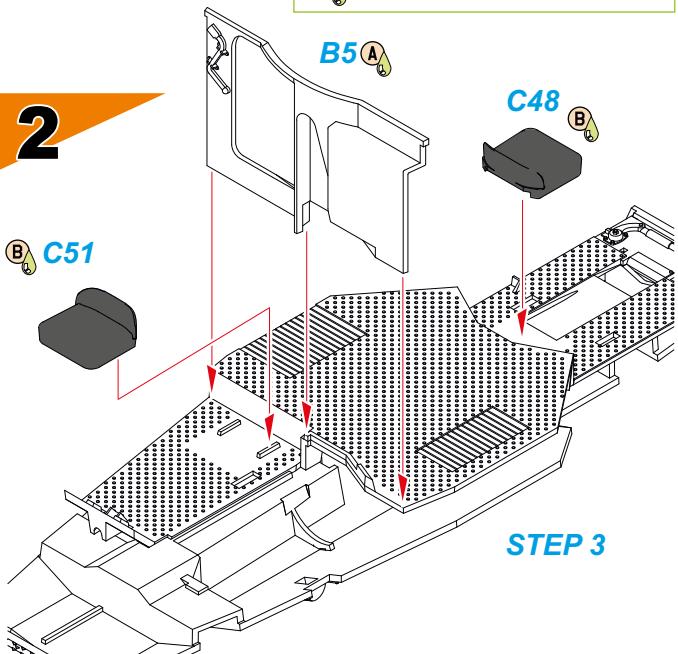
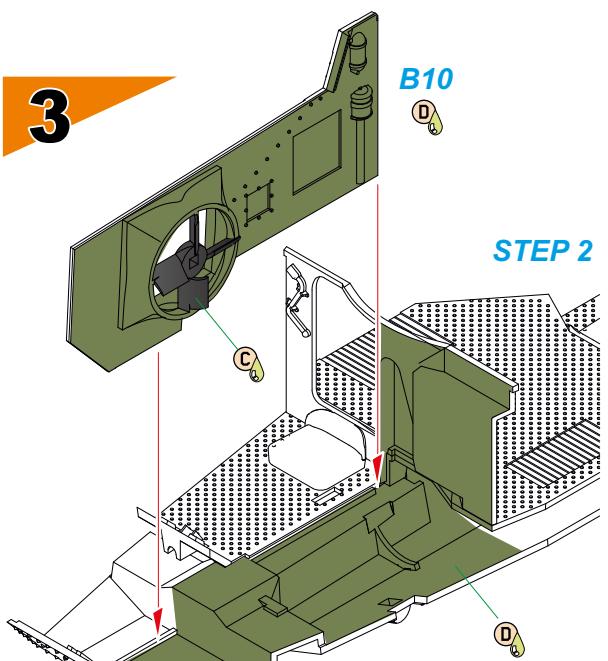
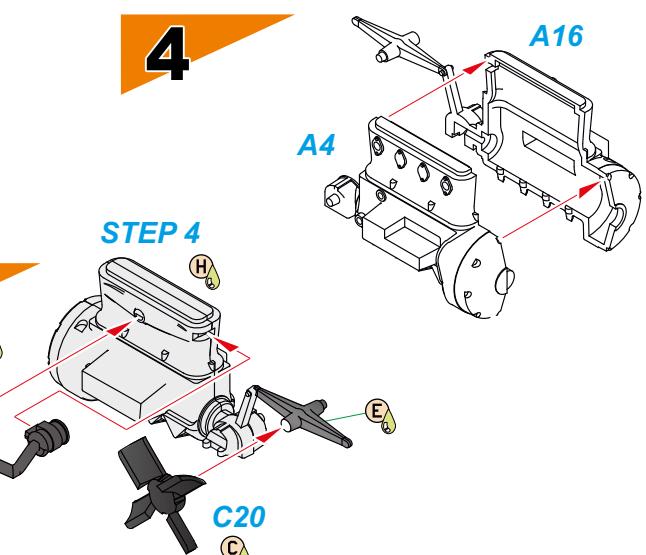
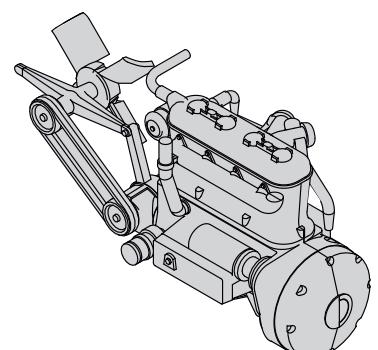
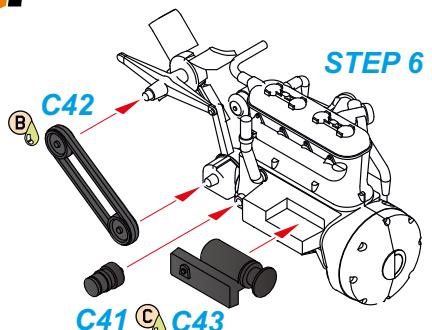
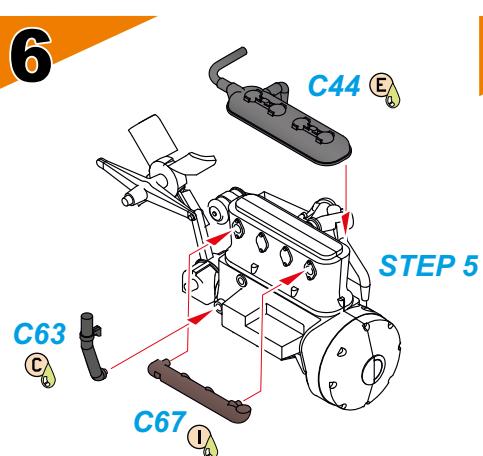
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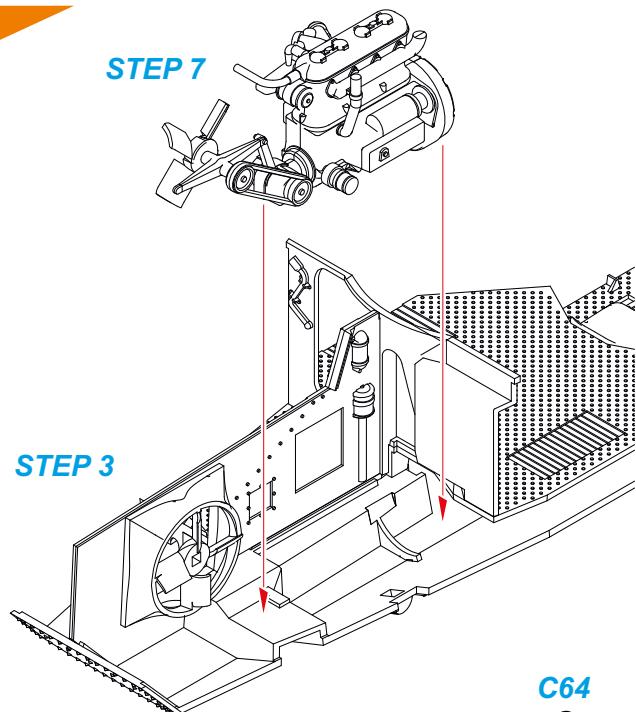
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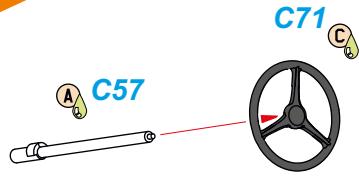
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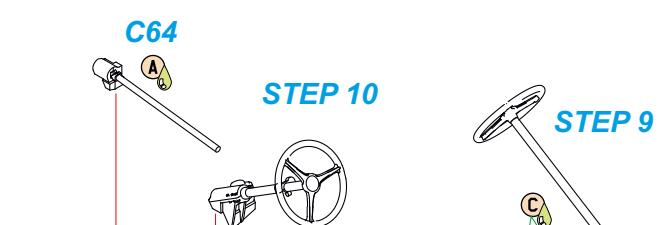


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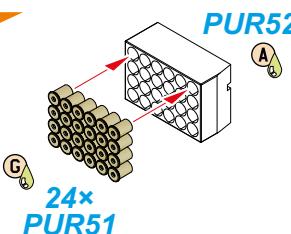
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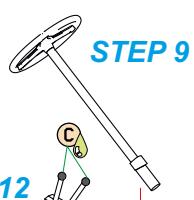


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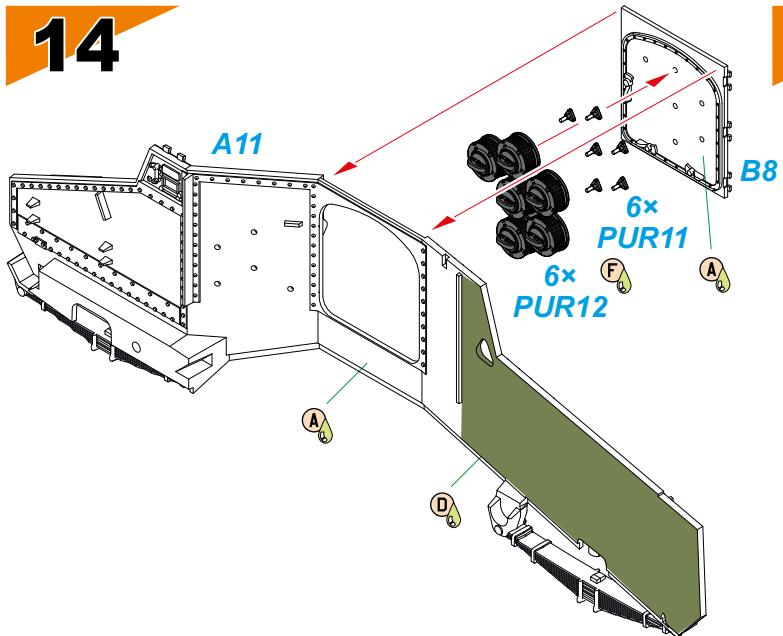
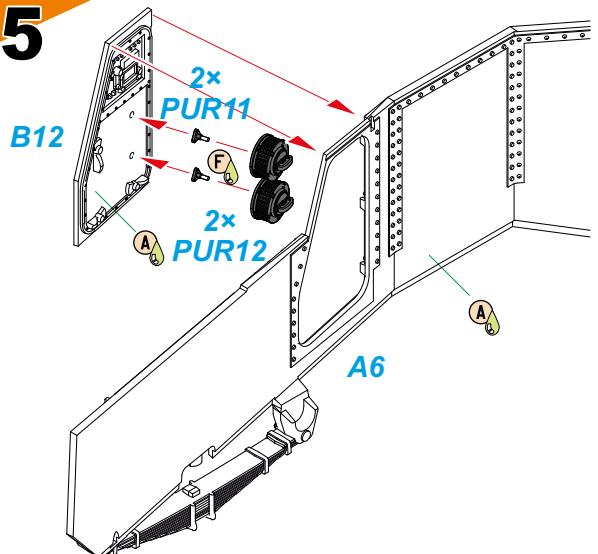
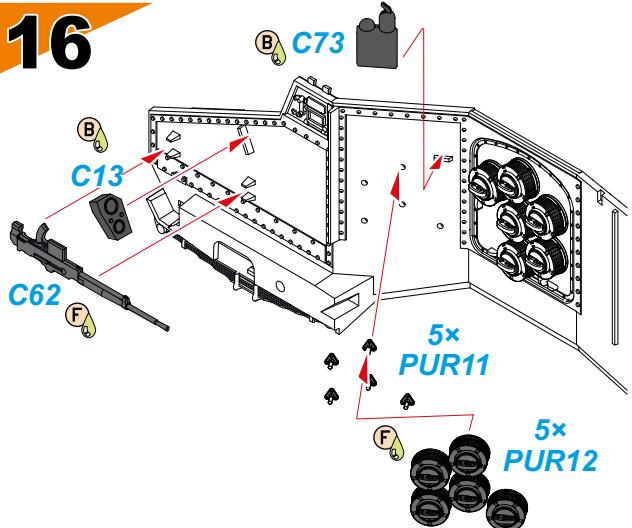
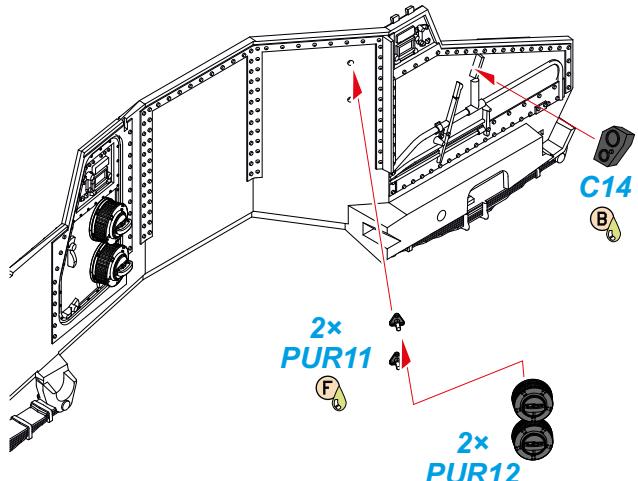
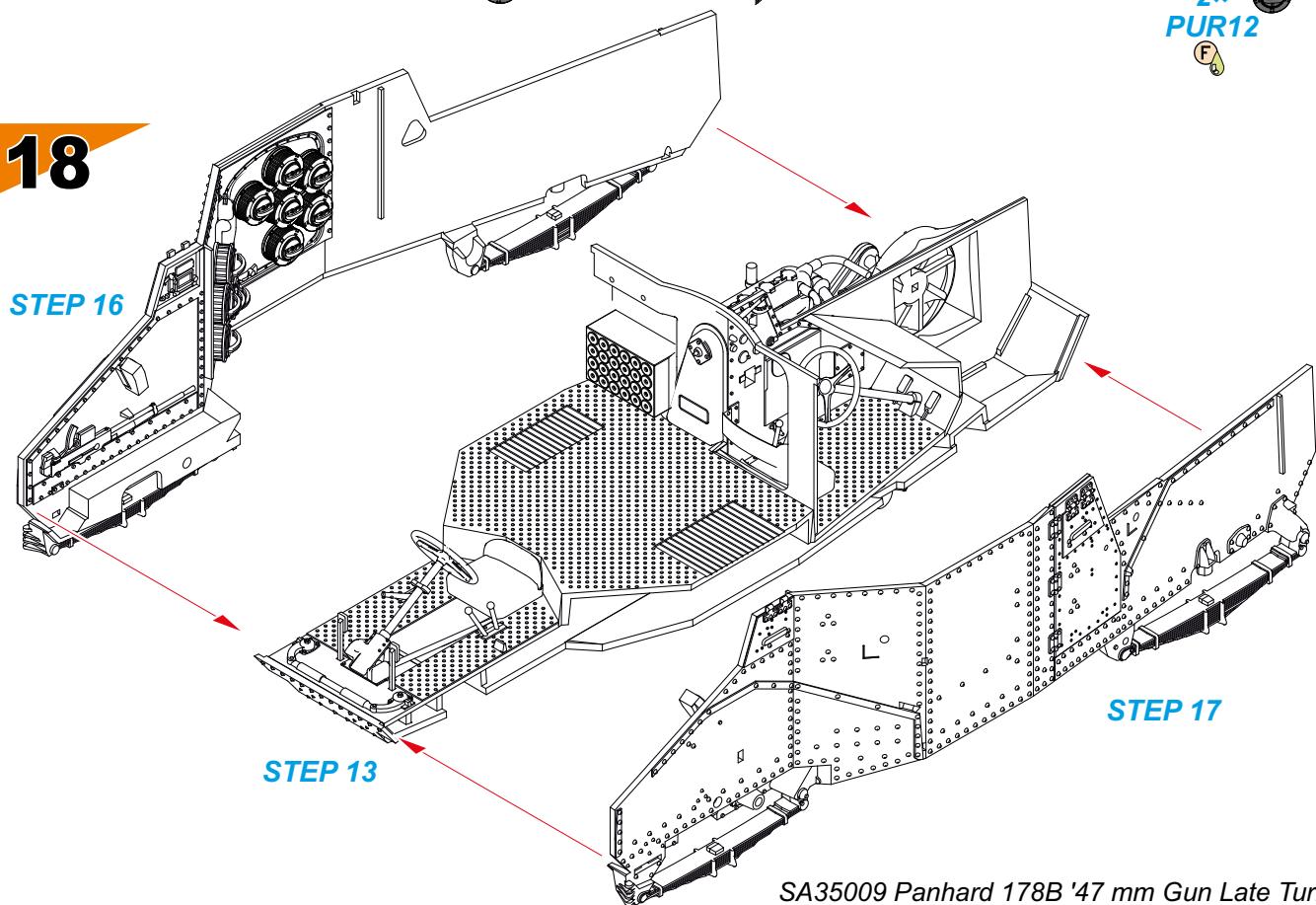
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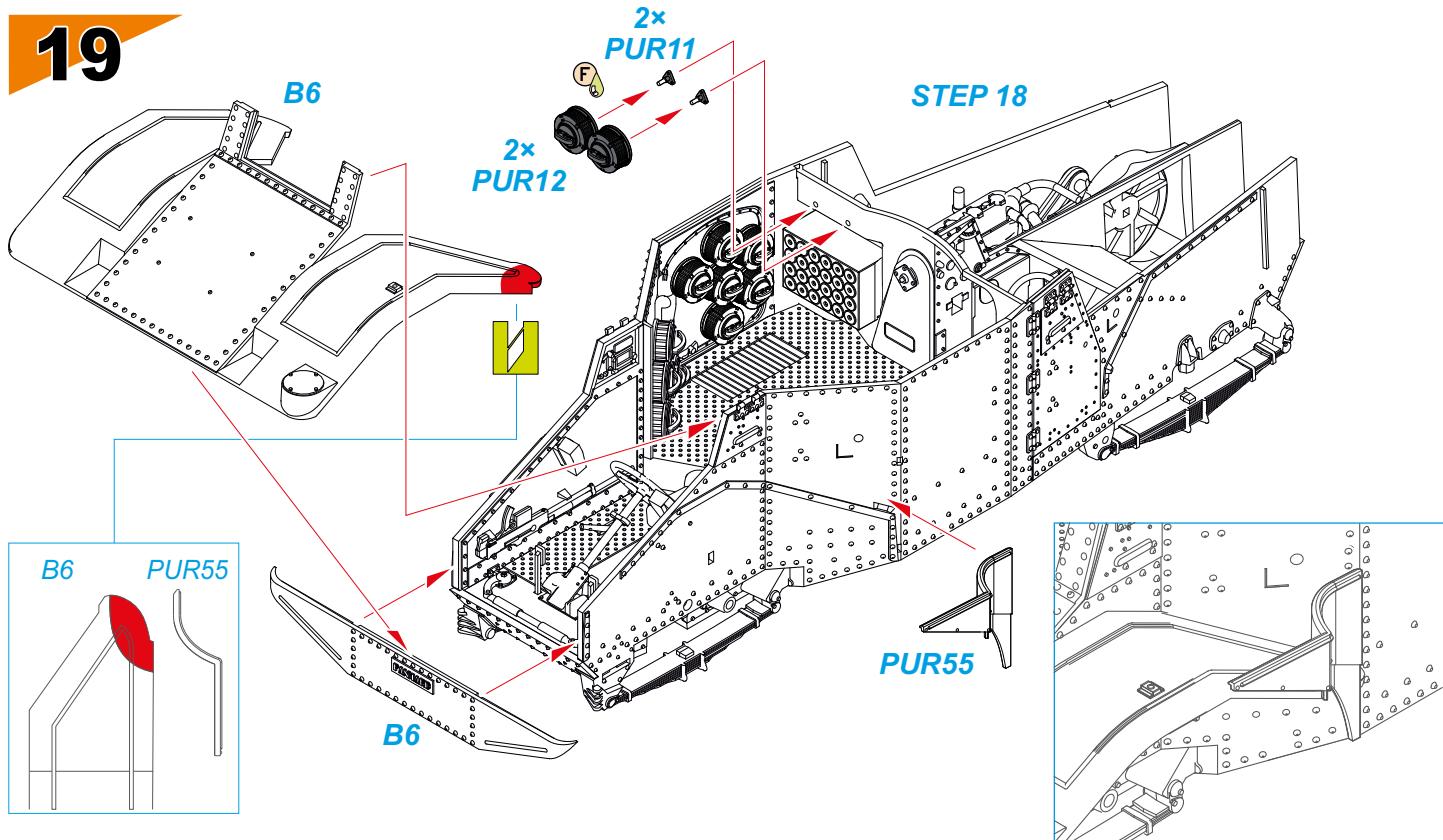
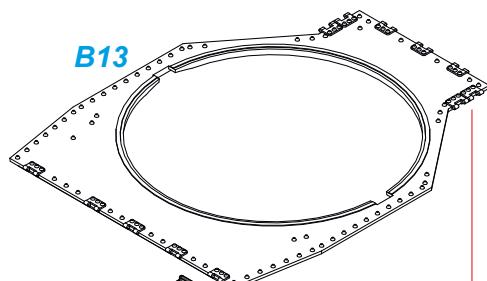
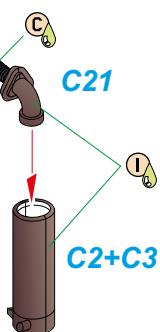
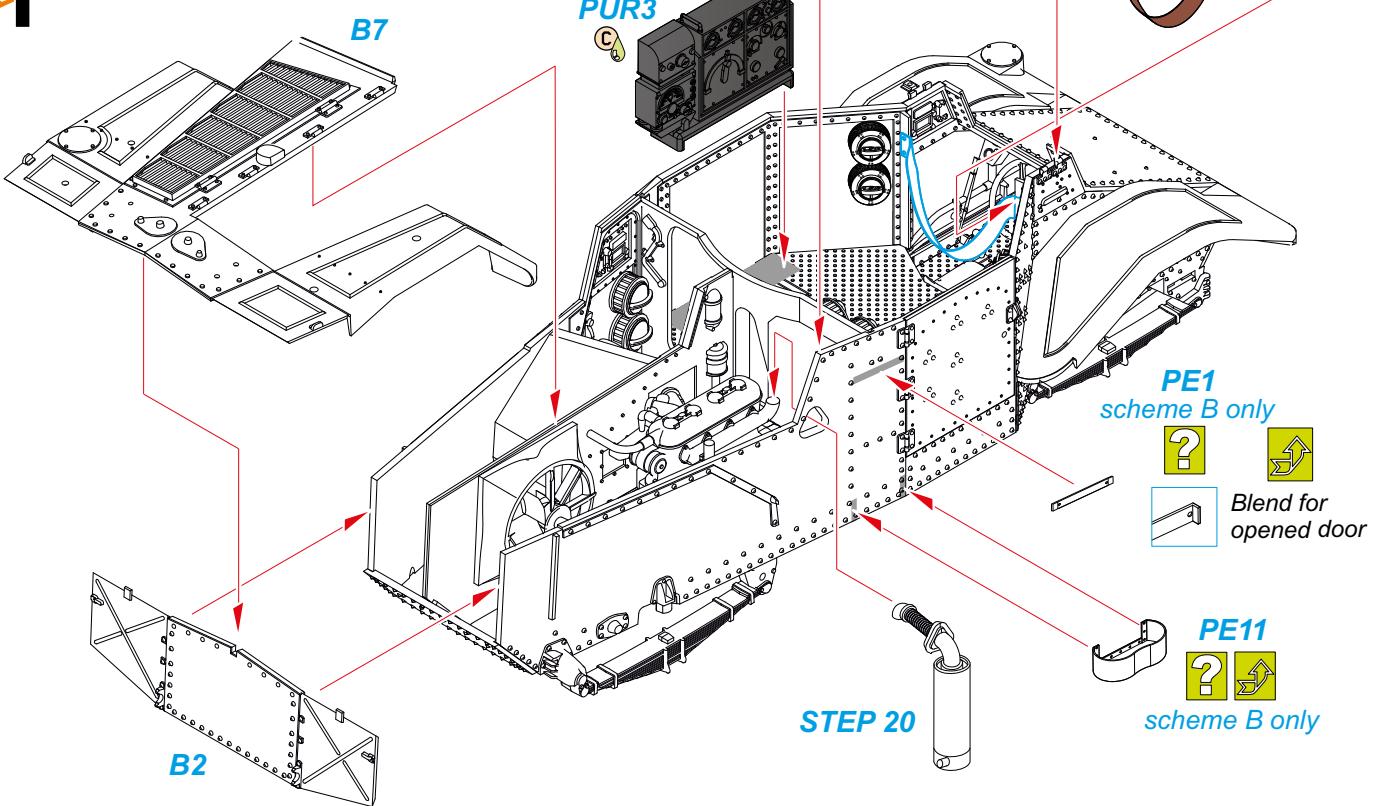
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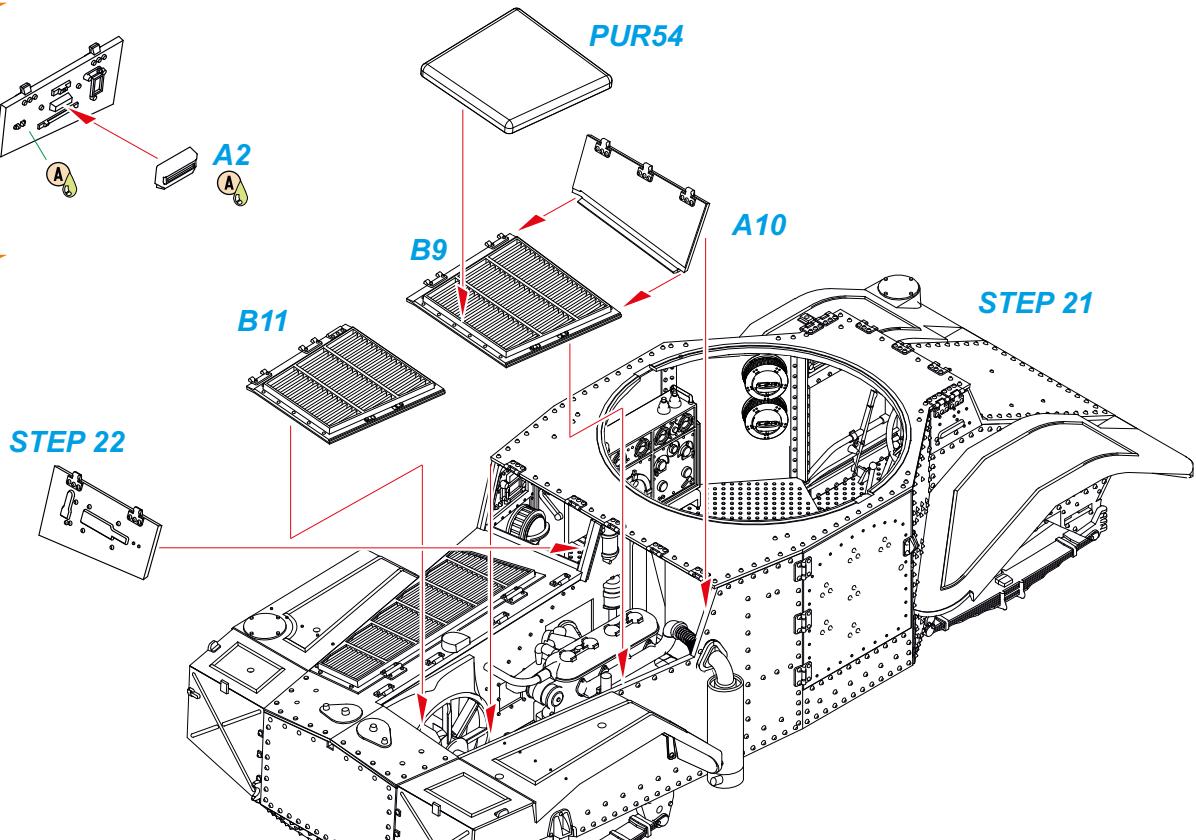
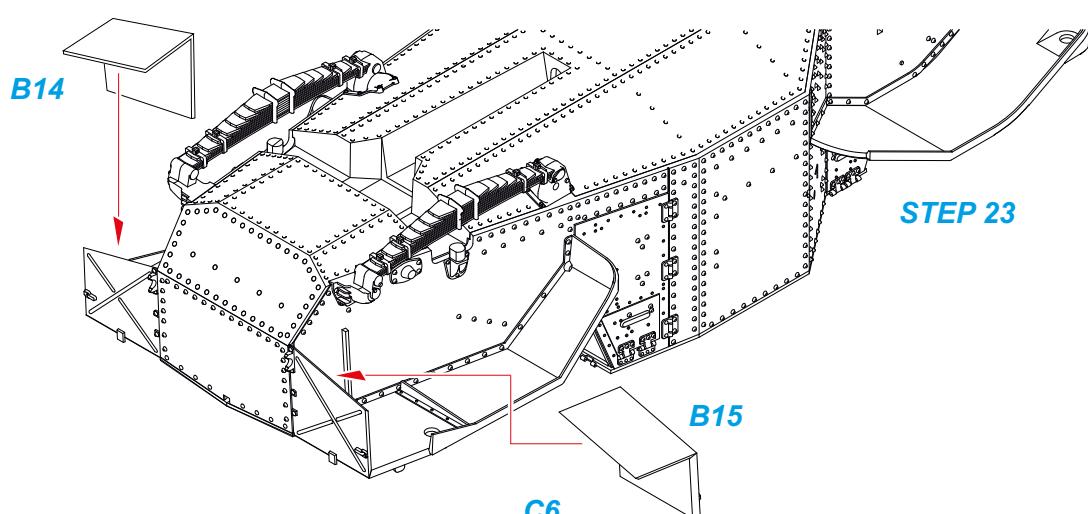
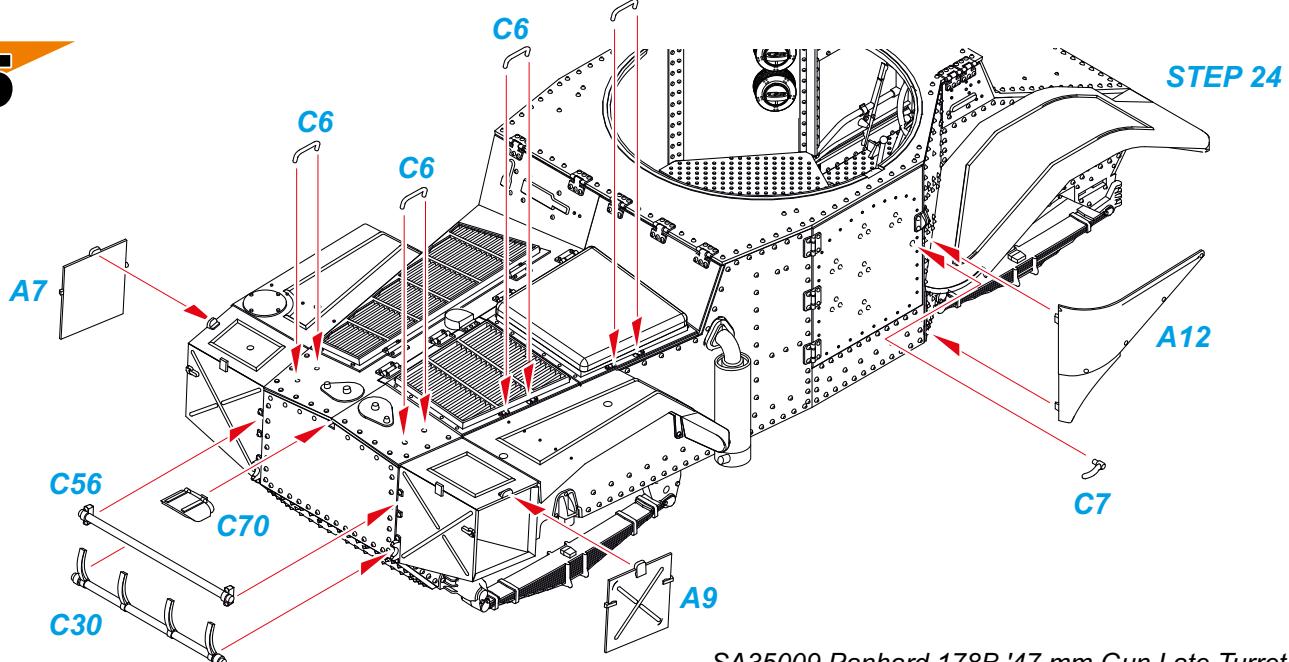
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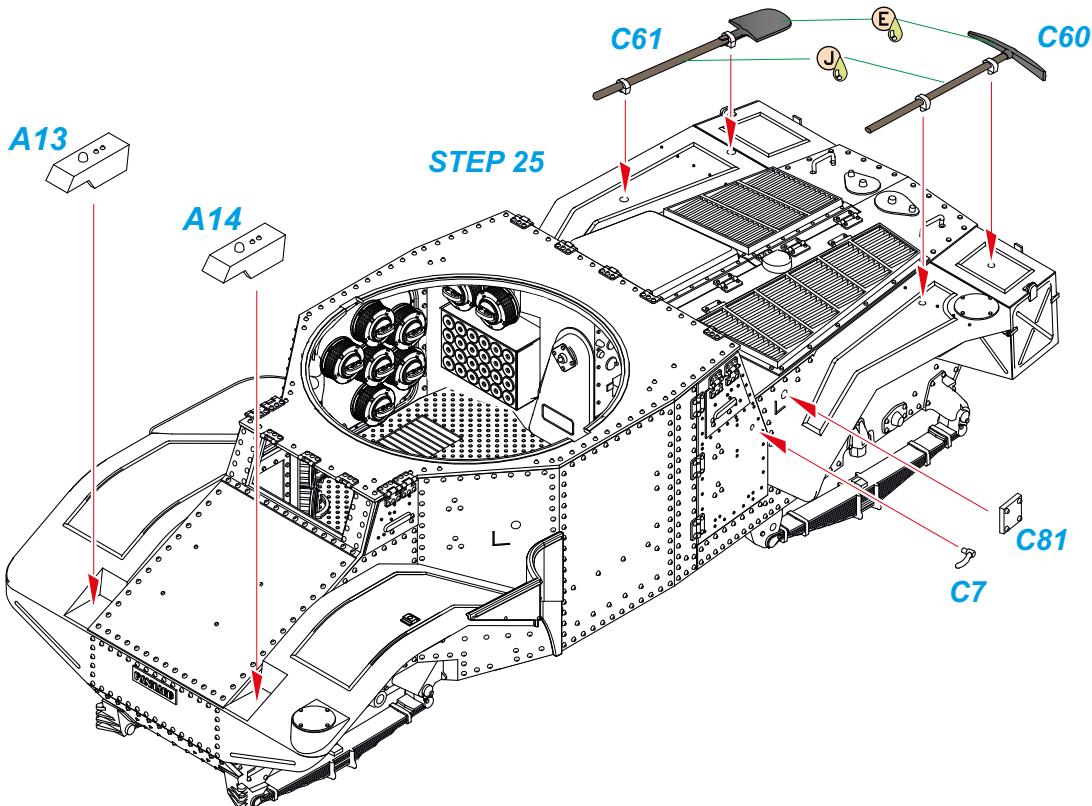
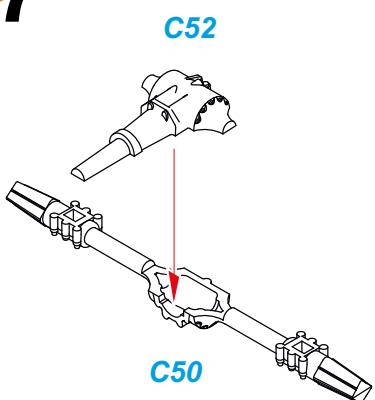
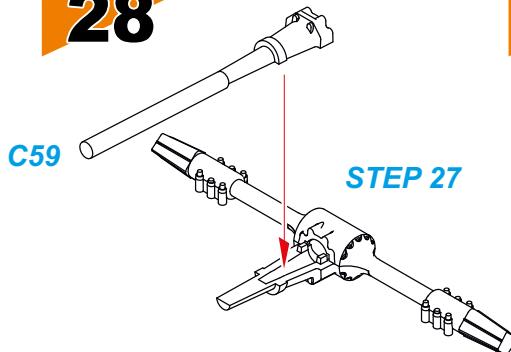
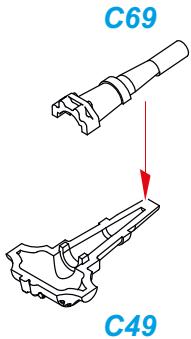
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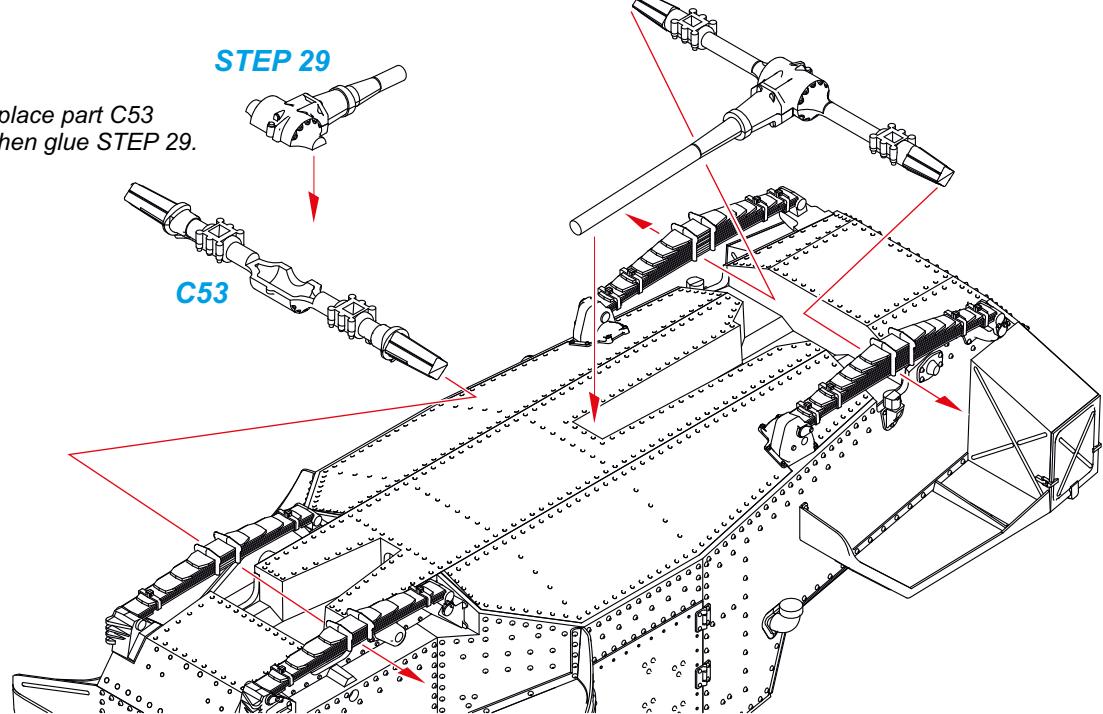
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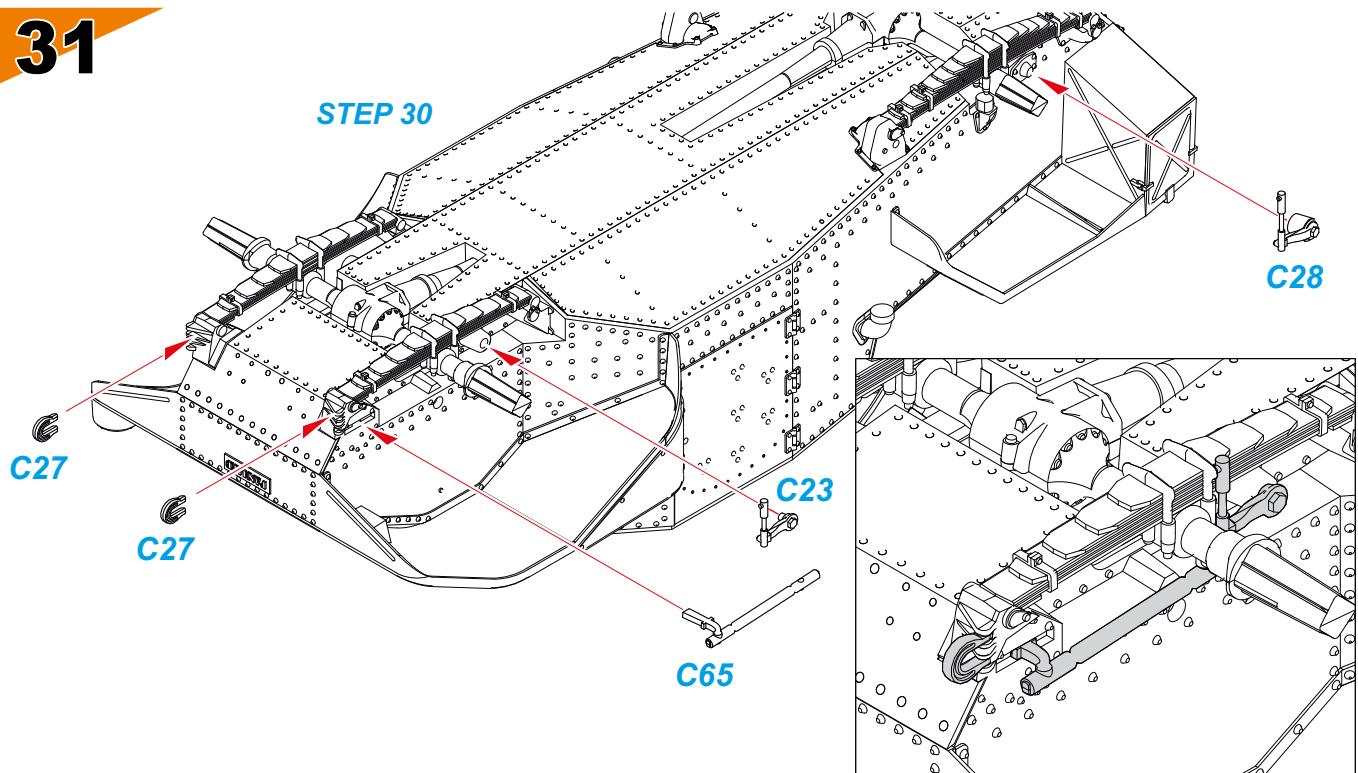
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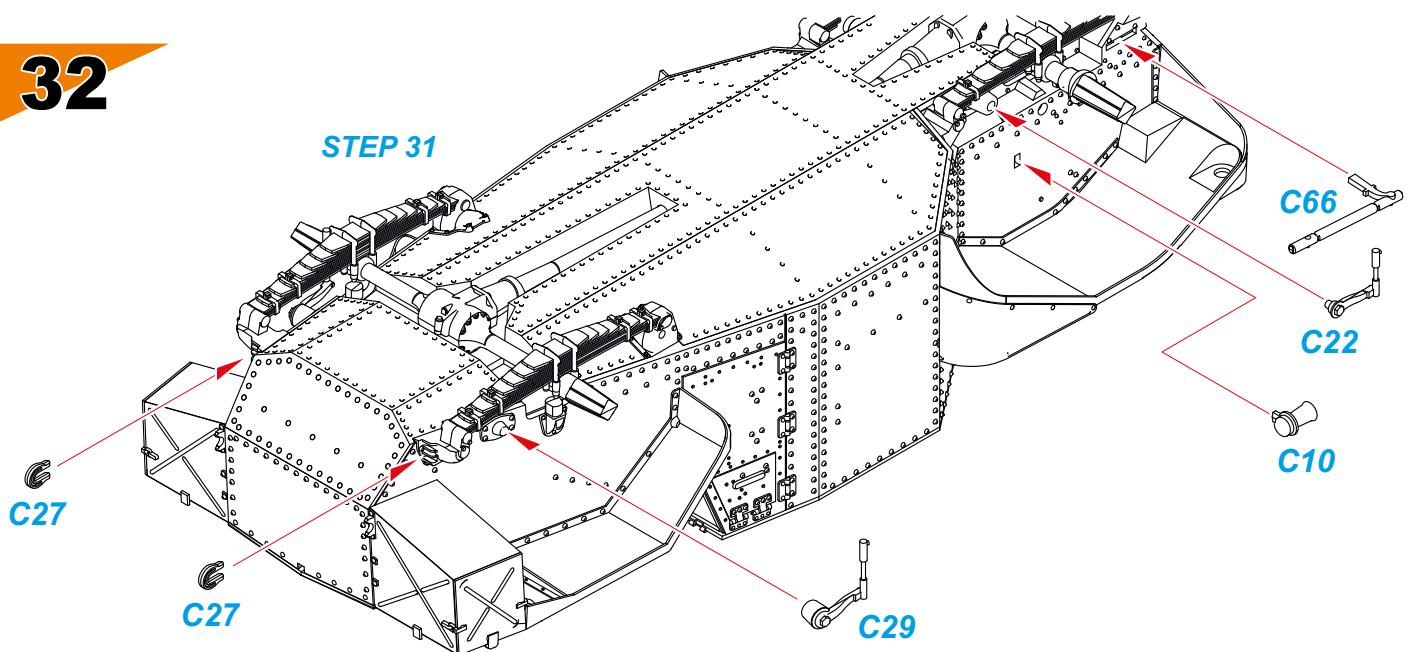
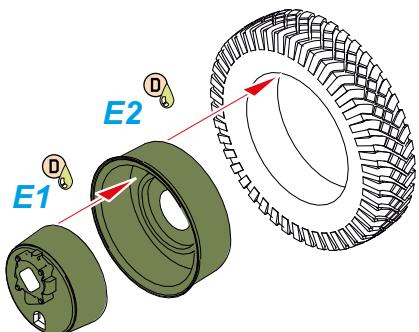
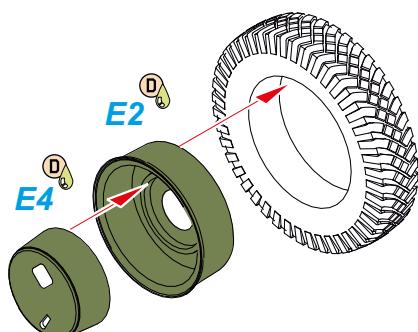
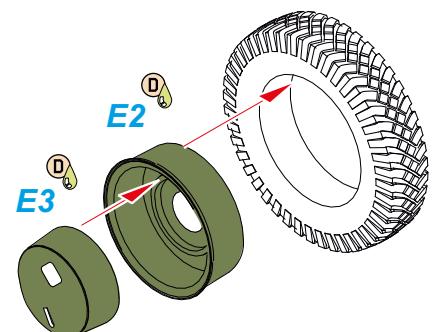


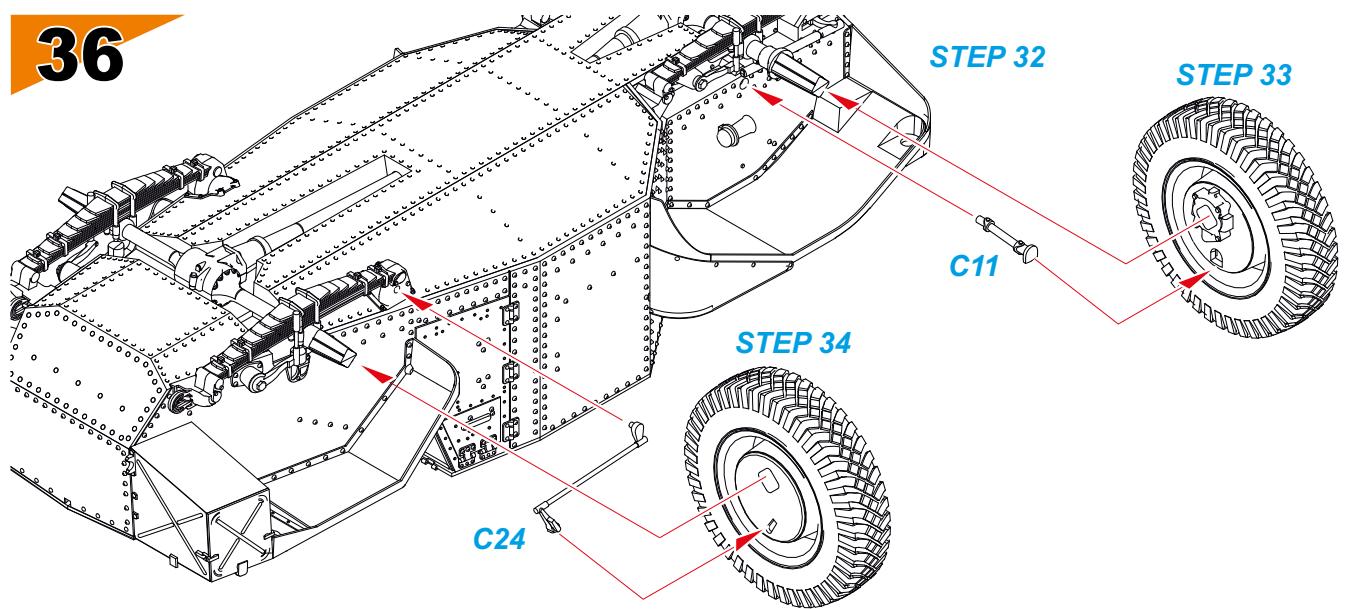
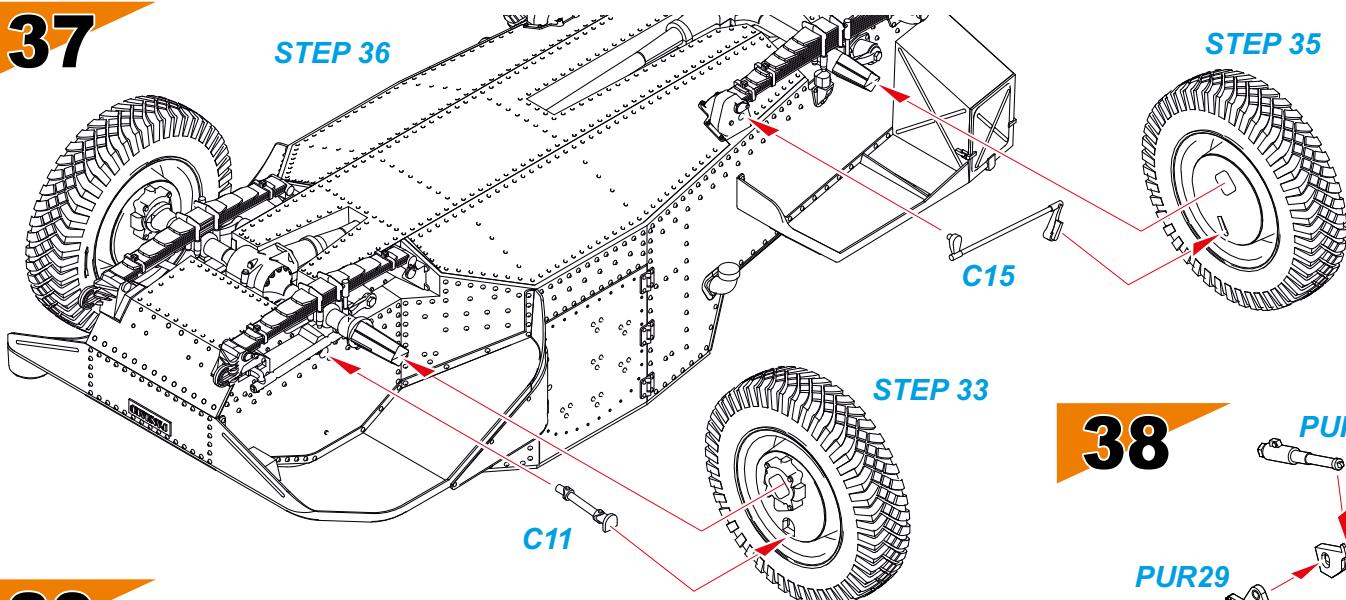
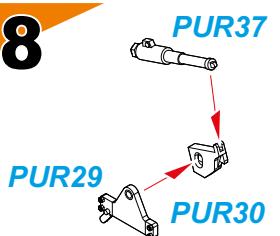
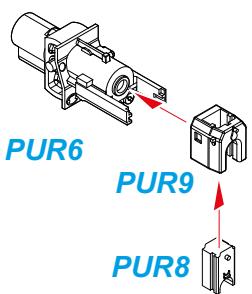
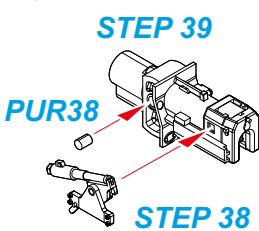
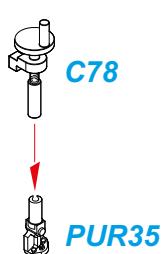
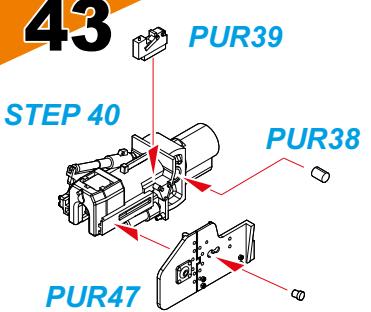
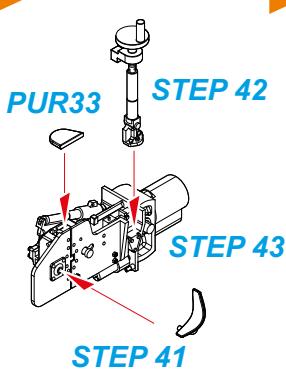
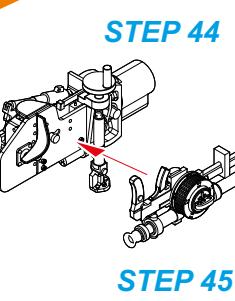
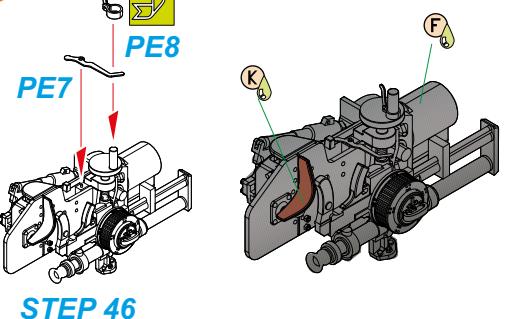
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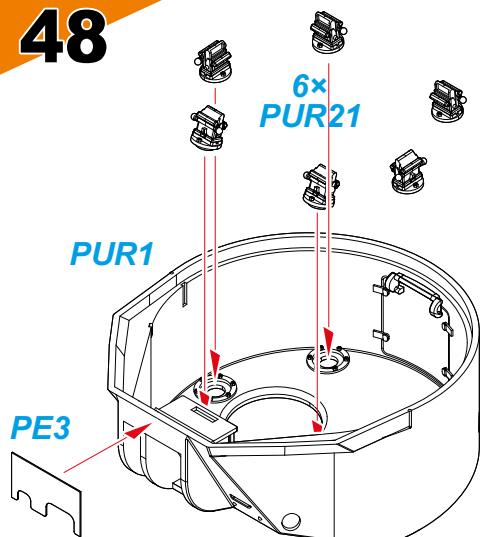
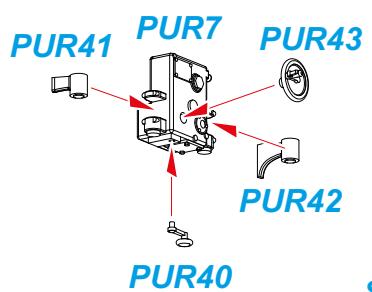
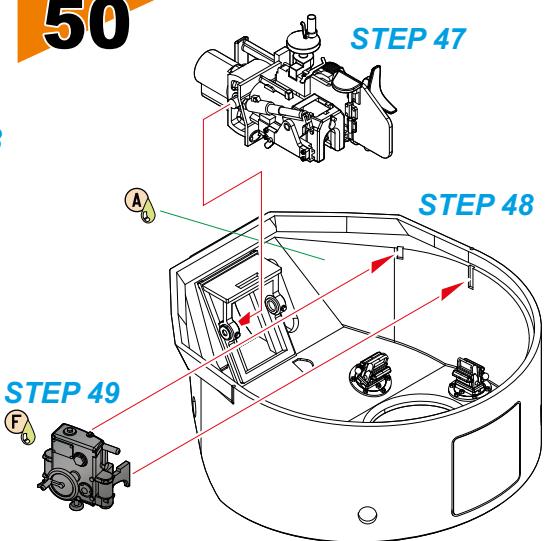
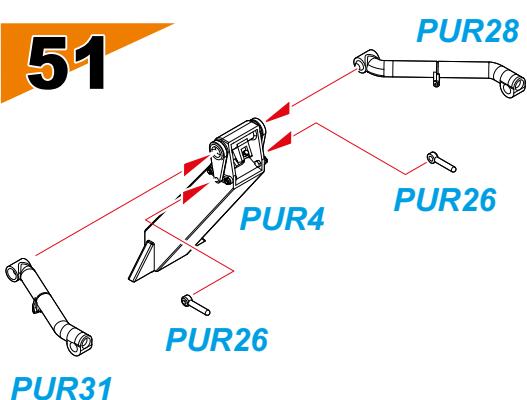
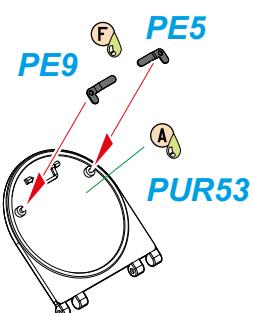
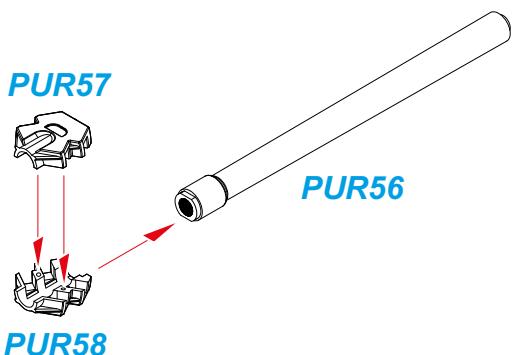
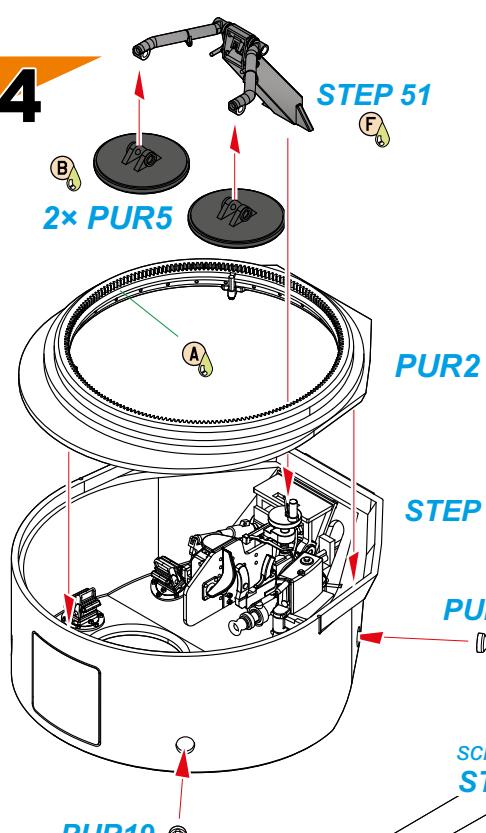
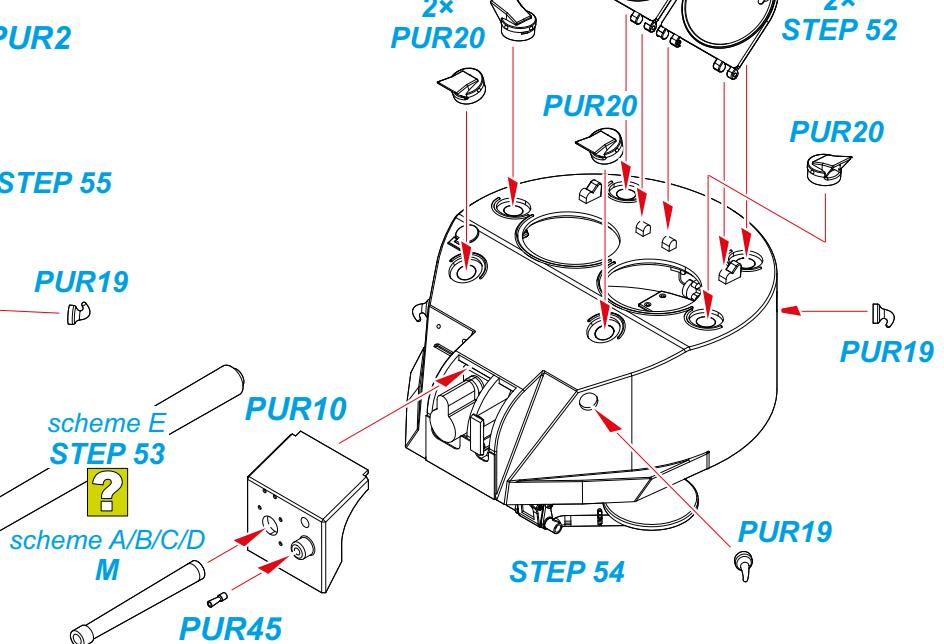
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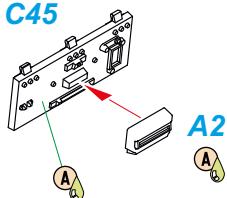
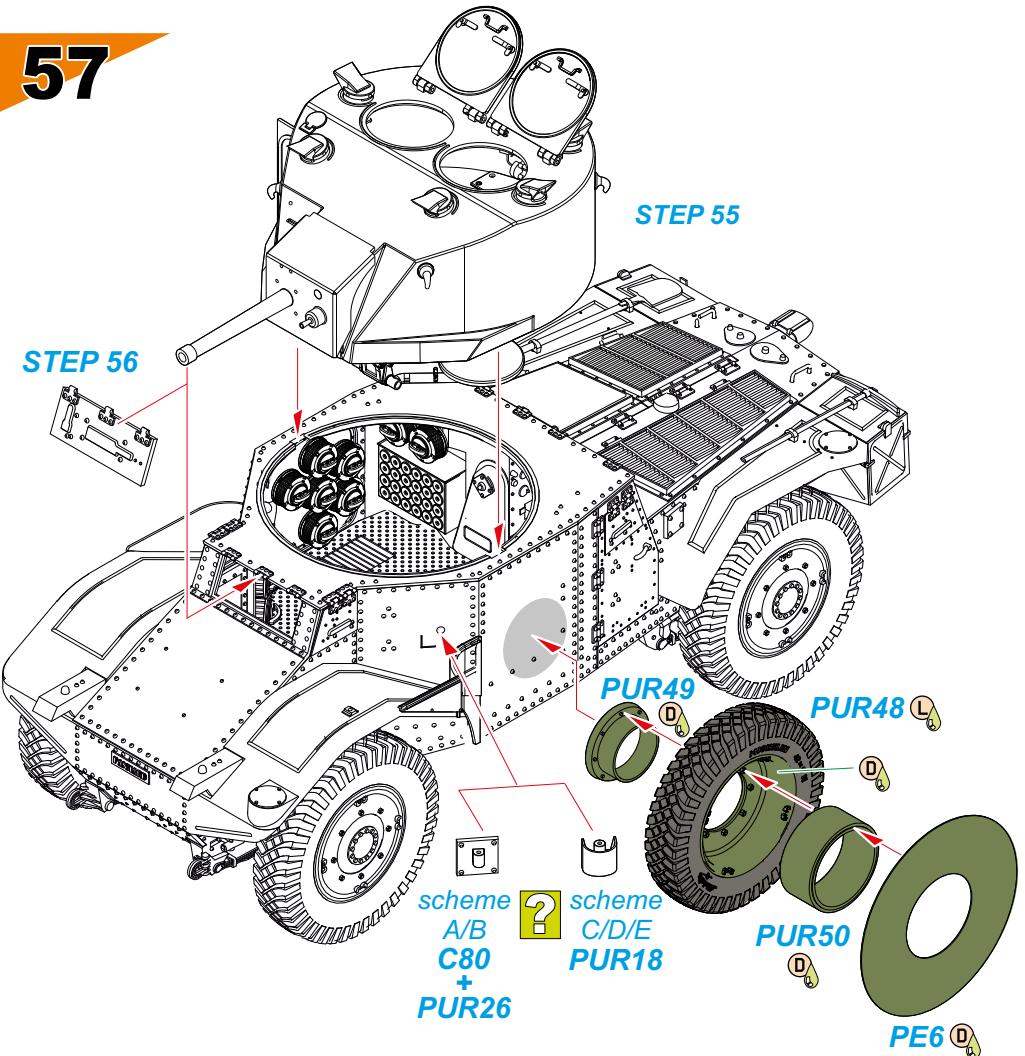
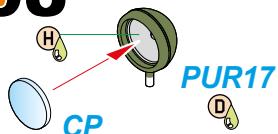
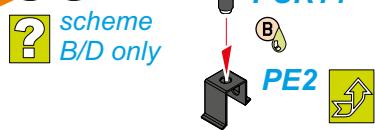
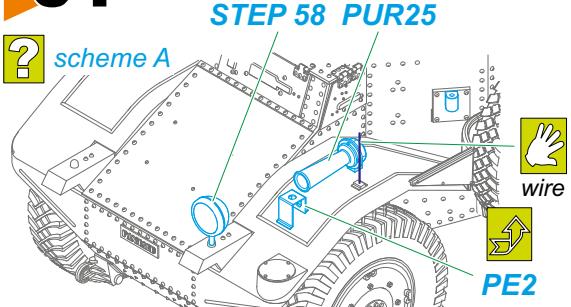
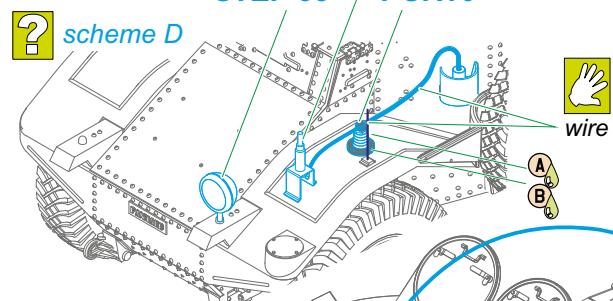
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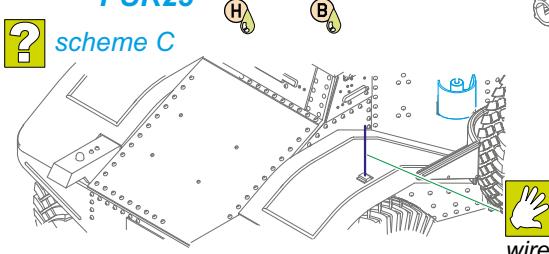
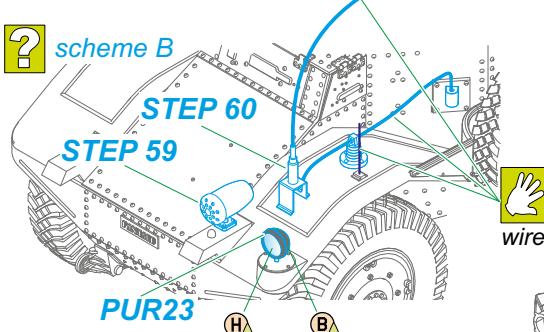
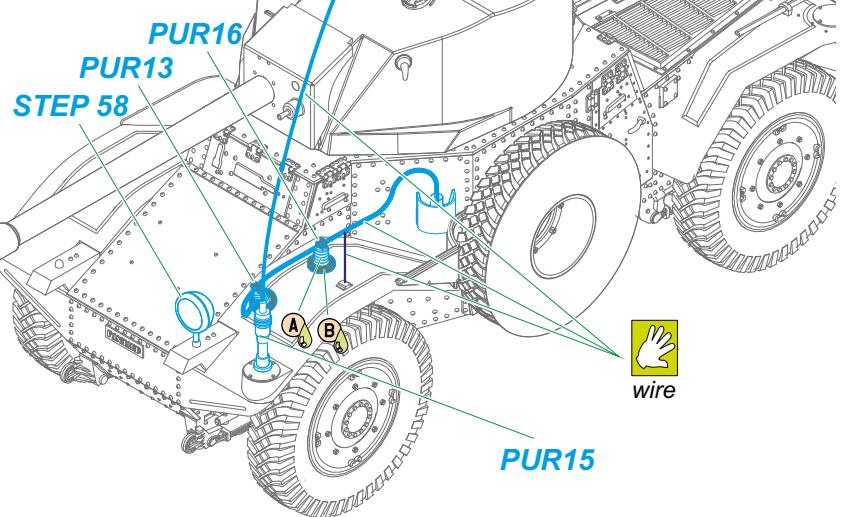
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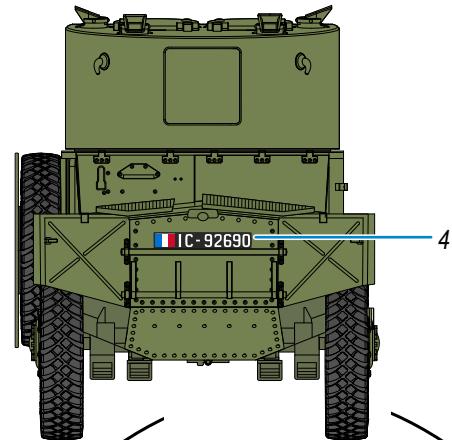
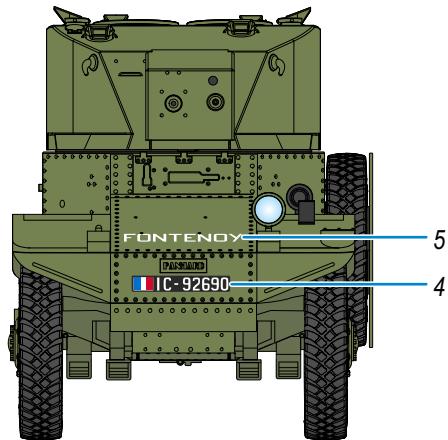
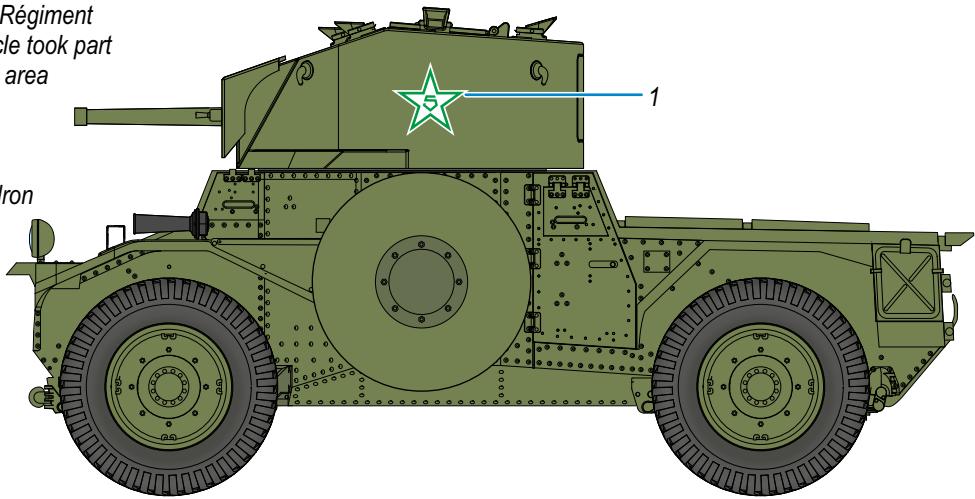
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Panhard 178B, vehicle IC-92690, dubbed Fontenoy, 1er peloton du I/5e RSM (1er Escadron du 5e Régiment de Spahis Marocains), French Army. The vehicle took part in the Operation Karamako in the Raung Veng area of present day Cambodia, June 1952.

Panhard 178B, vůz IC-92690, pojmenovaný Fontenoy, 1er peloton du I/5e RSM (1er Escadron du 5e Régiment de Spahis Marocains), Francouzská armáda. Vůz se zúčastnil operace Karamako v oblasti Raung Veng v dnešní Kambodži v červnu 1952.

Scheme A

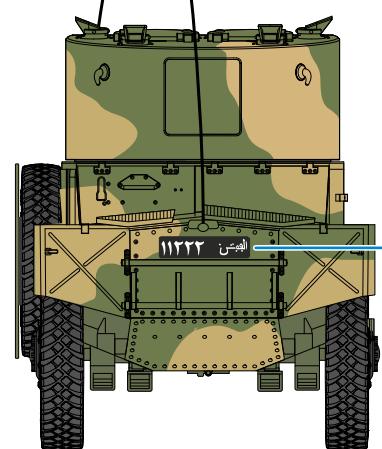
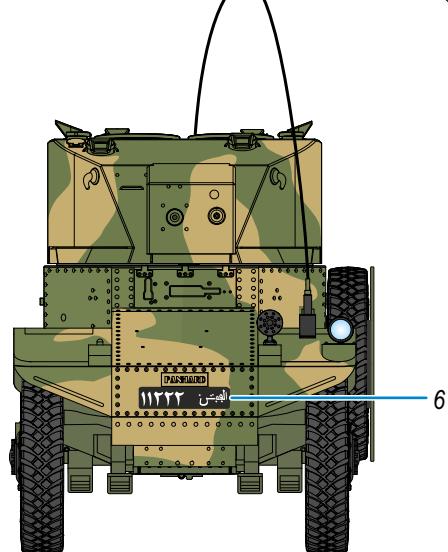
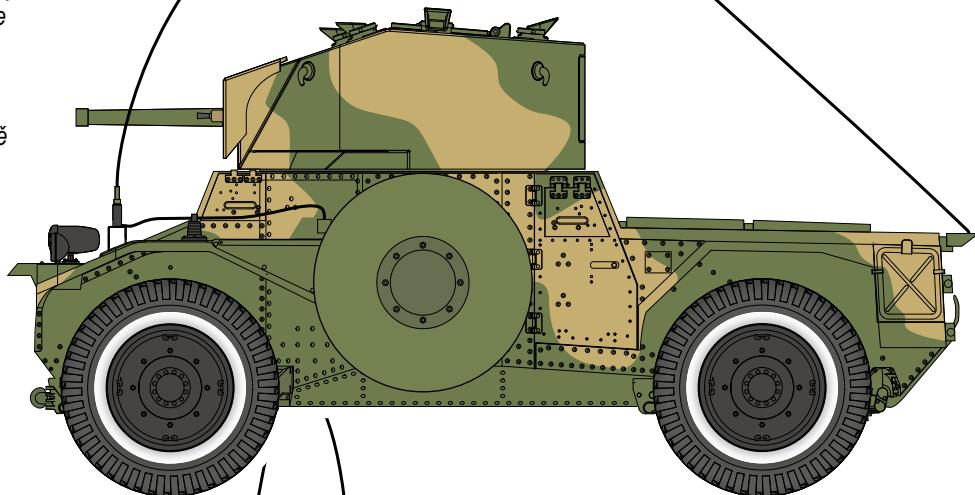


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H/C340

Panhard 178B, vehicle 11222, Syrian Arab Army, 1960s. As portrayed here, the vehicle was seen in one of the military parades.

Panhard 178B, vůz 11222, Syrská armáda, šedesátá léta 20. století. Stroj se v této podobě zúčastnil jedné z vojenských přehlídek.

Scheme B



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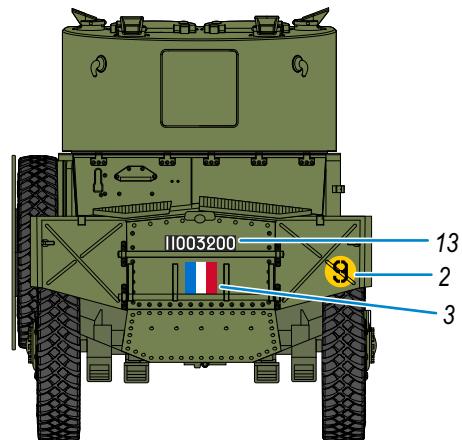
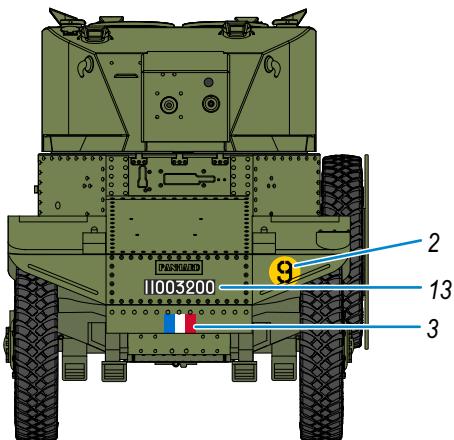
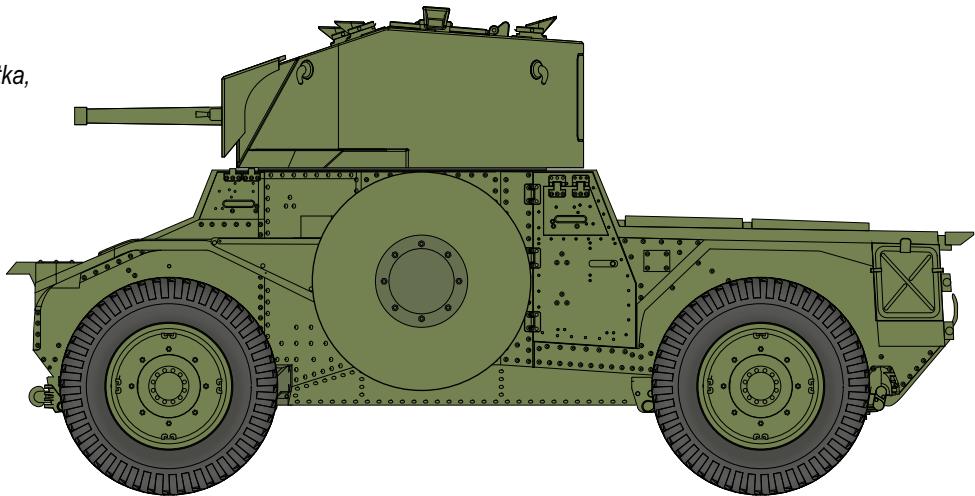
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White
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Panhard 178B, vehicle I1003200, unknown unit,
France, probably 1945.

Panhard 178B, vůz I1003200, neznámá jednotka,
Francie, pravděpodobně 1945.

Scheme C

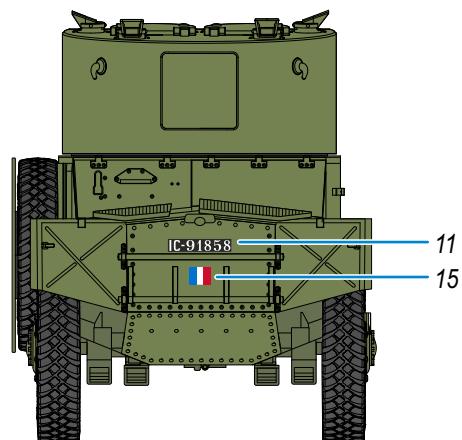
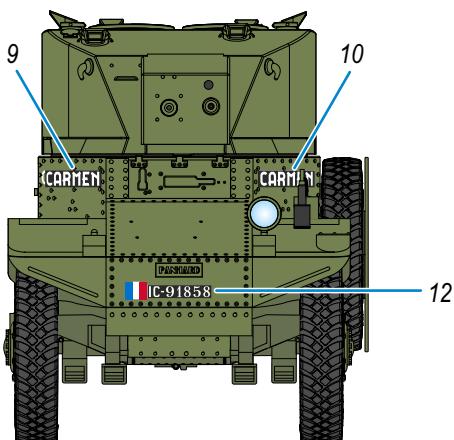
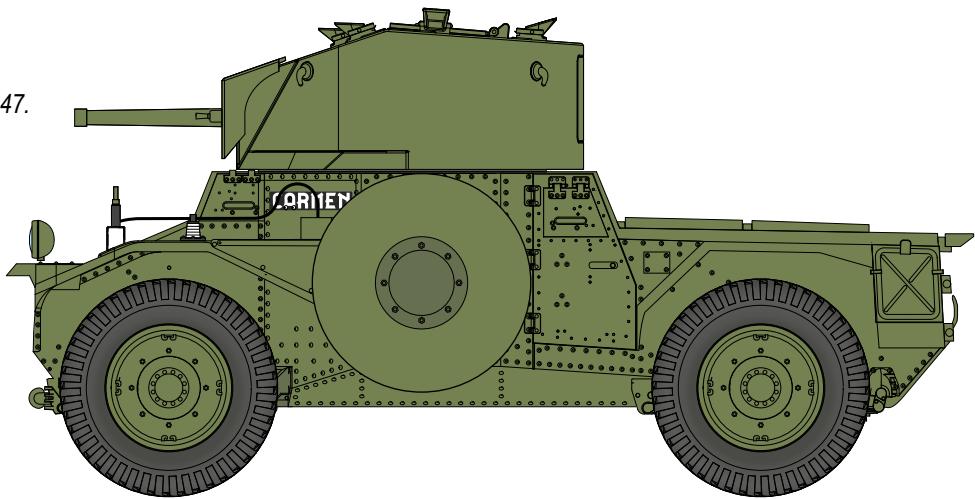


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Panhard 178B, vehicle IC-91858, named Carmen,
unknown unit, North Africa, 1947.

Panhard 178B, vůz IC-91858, pojmenovaný
Carmen, neznámá jednotka, severní Afrika, 1947.

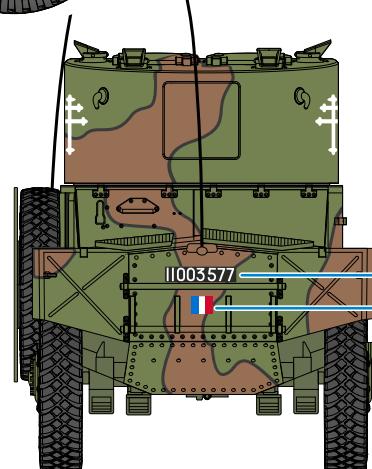
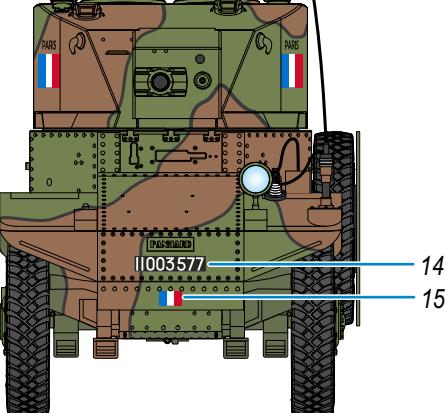
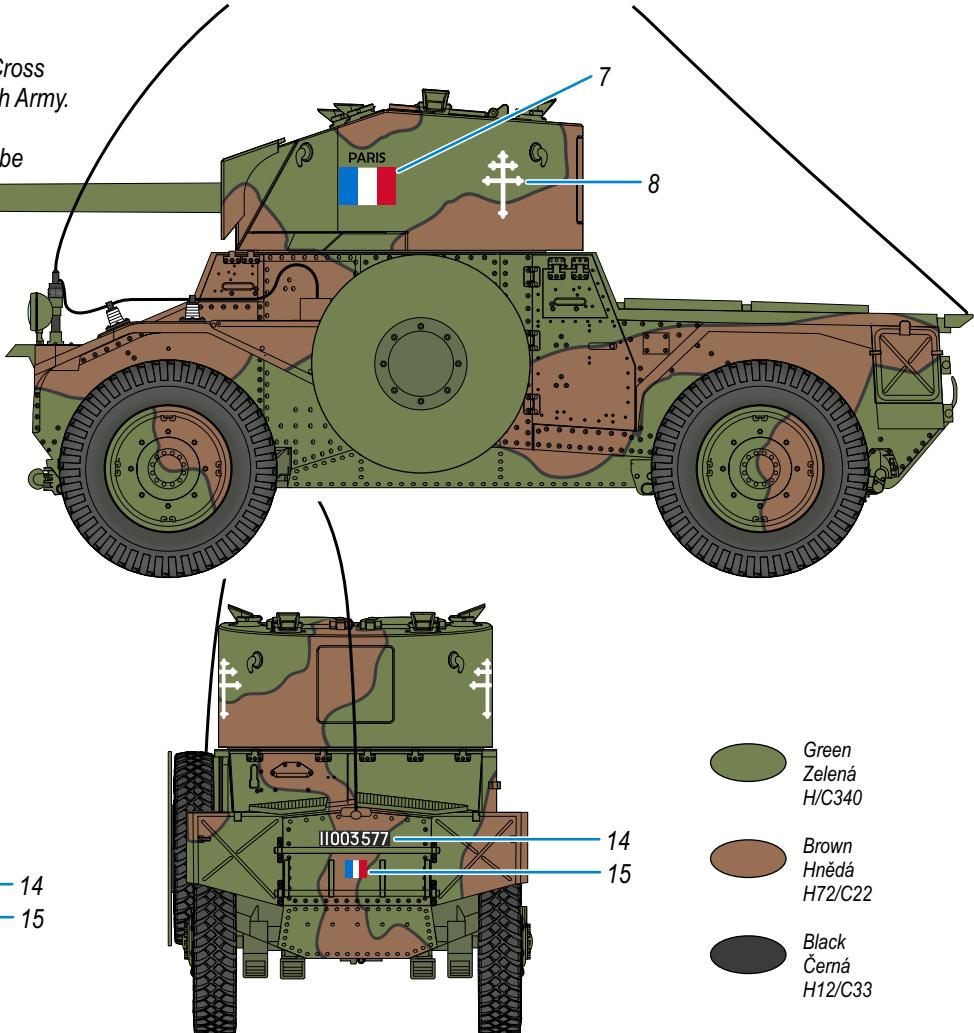
Scheme D



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Panhart 178B, vehicle 11003577 bearing the Cross of Lorraine markings, fictitious unit of the French Army. A what if machine armed with the 75mm gun. Panhard 178B vehicles similar to this one can be seen and fight with in the famous computer game.

Panhart 178B, vůz 11003577, označený lotrinskými kříži, fiktivní jednotka francouzské armády. What-if podoba stroje s kanónem 75 mm. S podobnými Panhardy 178B je možné se utkat ve známé počítačové hře.



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- Brown Hnědá H72/C22
- Black Černá H12/C33

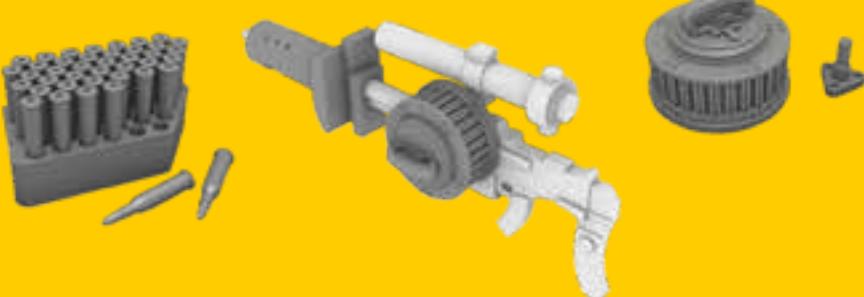
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