



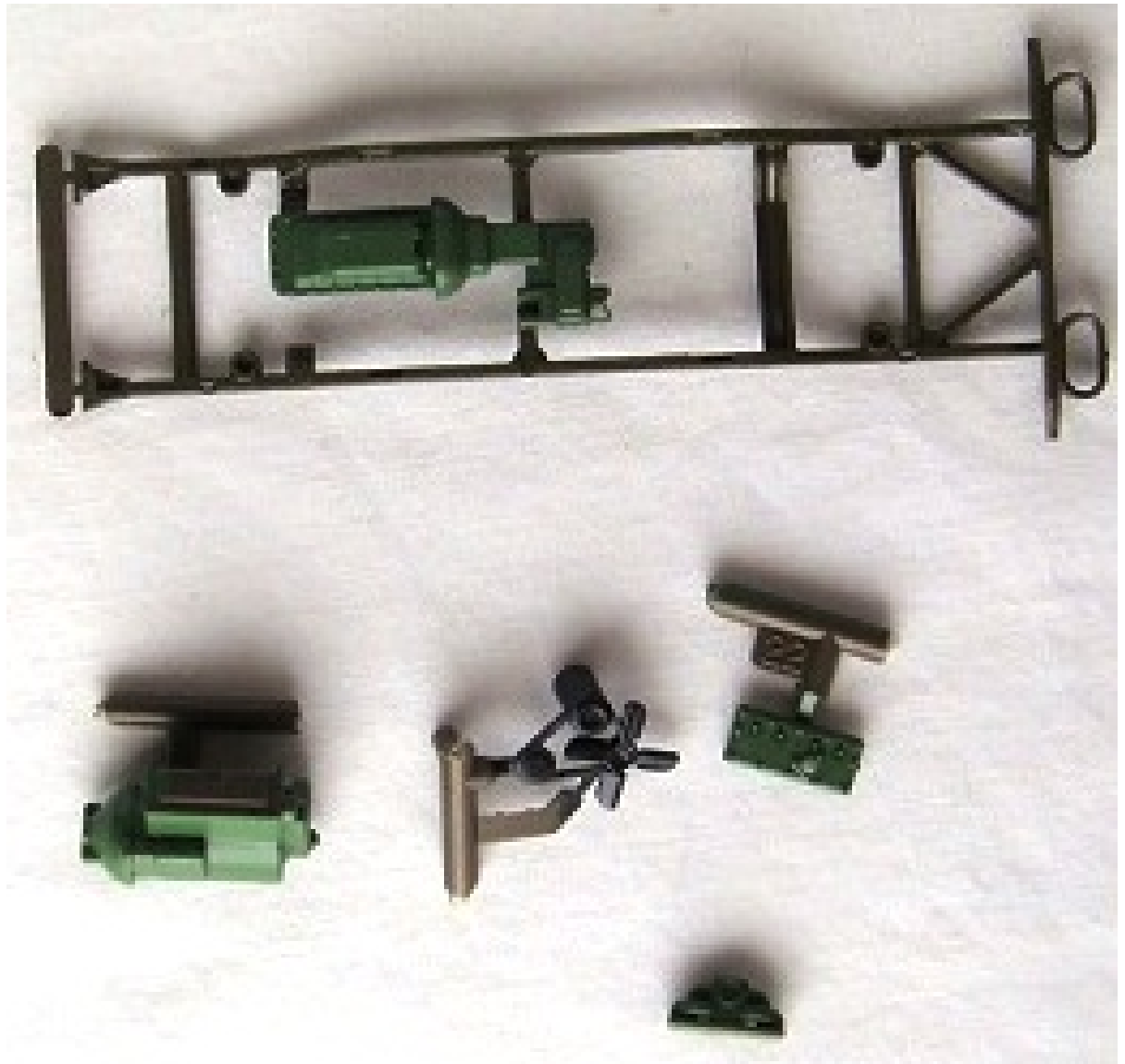
The Jeep was designed in a crash program in 1941 to be used throughout World War II. The iconic 4X4 ¼ ton truck was a blend of designs from Willys-Overland, Bantam and Ford and adapted for many roles throughout the war. By the time it was over, Willys had produced over 300,000 MB's for service to the allies. Dependable and lightweight they provided crucial command and reconnaissance maneuvers in every campaign. The design eventually led to the development of the Jeep CJ (Civilian Jeep) which has become a familiar sight the world over.

For the Modeler: This is the Tamiya kit 35219 that is 1: 35 scale, and a Skill Level 2. The pieces are molded in olive drab, clear, with waterslide decals. There are 97 pieces to this kit and very well laid out instructions. This is a reissue of the 1990's Jeep Willys MB ¼ ton 4X4 Truck. This is one of four variations Tamiya had out for the Jeep Willys body design. The other three versions are U.S. Jeep ¼ ton 4X4 Truck Willys MB with trailer(35015), British Special Air Service Jeep (35033), British SAS Commando Vehicle 1944 (25152). The dimensions are; 3¾ L X 2 1/8 W X 2 H with the machine gun and 3¾ L X 2 1/8 w X 2 1/8 H with the hood up, 3¾ L X 2 1/8 W X 1 7/8 H with the windshield up, 3¾ L X 2 1/8 W X 1¾ H with Soldier and windshield down.

Figure 3100 Here is the kit's box art. Unless stated differently Testors Model Cement in the tube and Testors Enamel paint in the bottle was used for the construction of this model kit. As always, follow the manufacturer's safety recommendations for any product mentioned here.



Figure 3101 There are no part descriptions for this kit there are just part numbers for the three parts trees. A15 is painted Model Master Flat Black and Testors Semi Gloss Black. Parts; A11, A22, and A16 are painted Testors Flat Green. Part A7 is painted Model Master Olive Drab and Testors Flat Green.



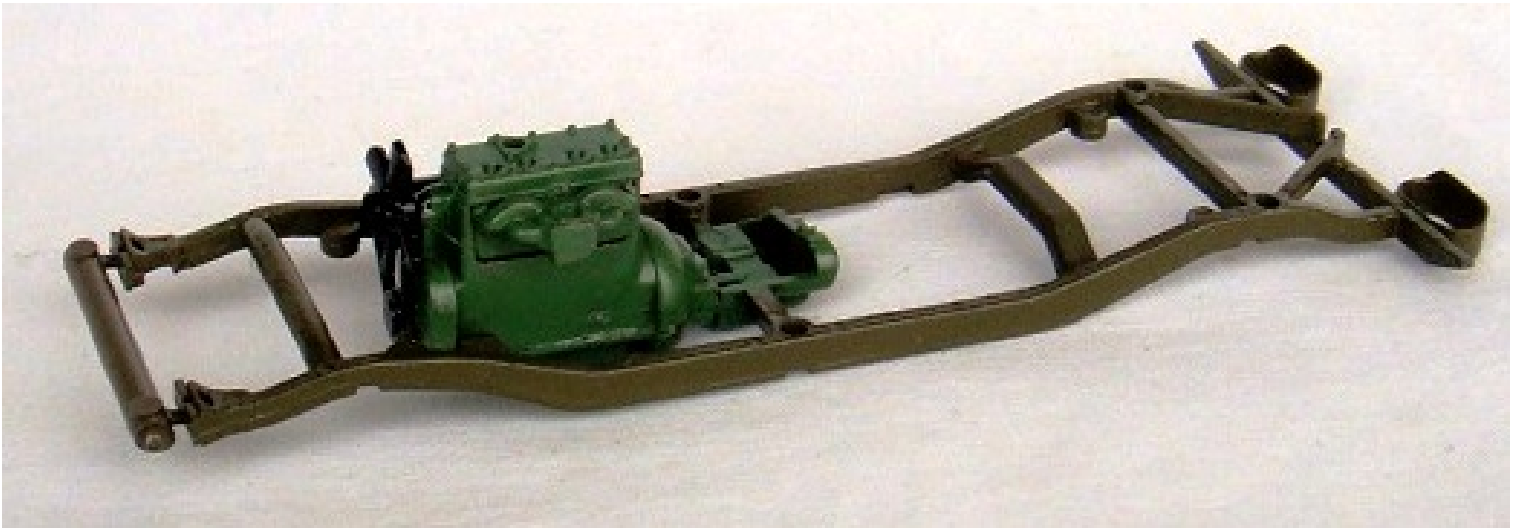


Figure 3102 Parts; A11, A22, and A15 are attached to A16 and then the A16 assembly is installed onto A7.

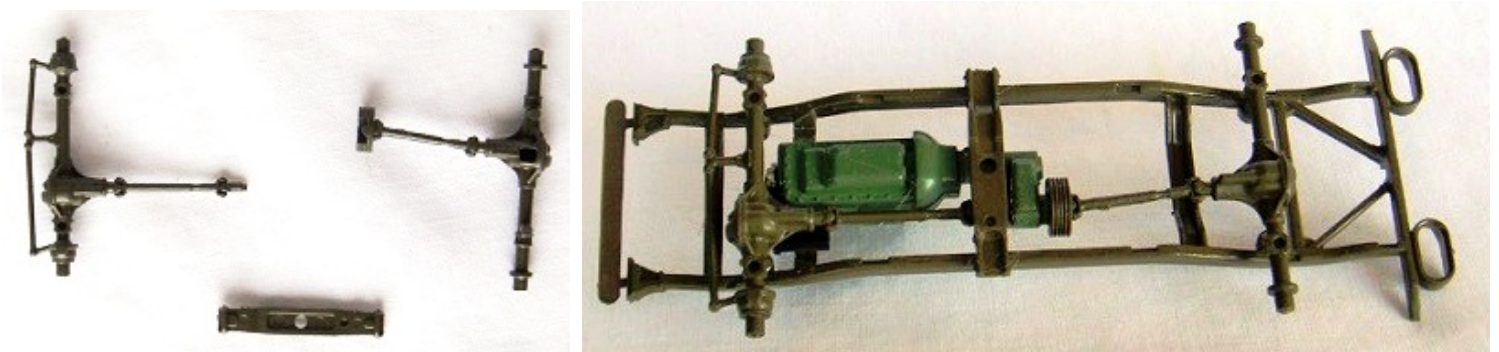


Figure 3103 and Figure 3104 Parts; B14, B18, and A10 are painted Model Master Olive Drab and then they are glued to A7.

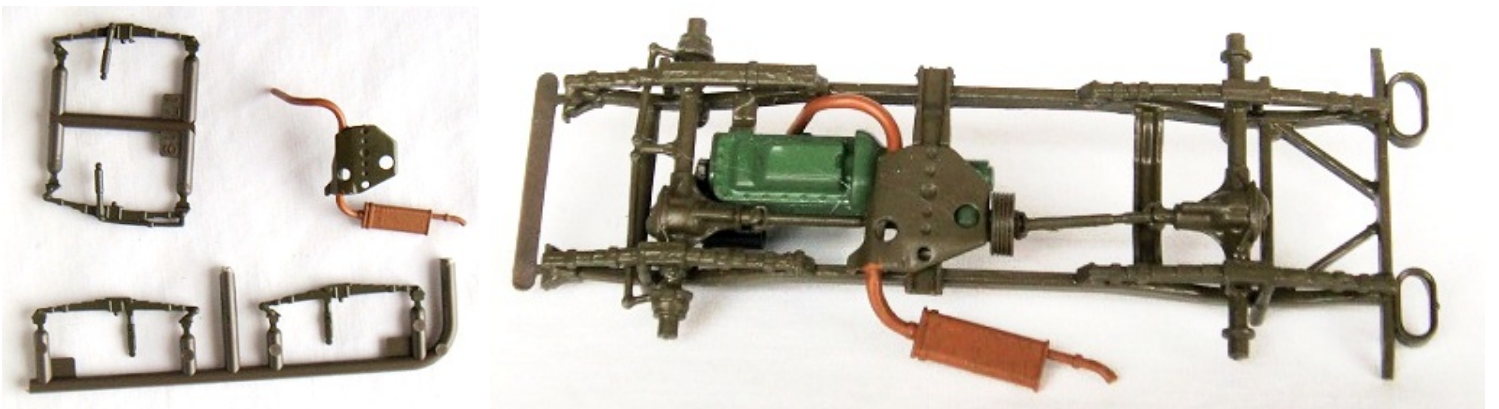
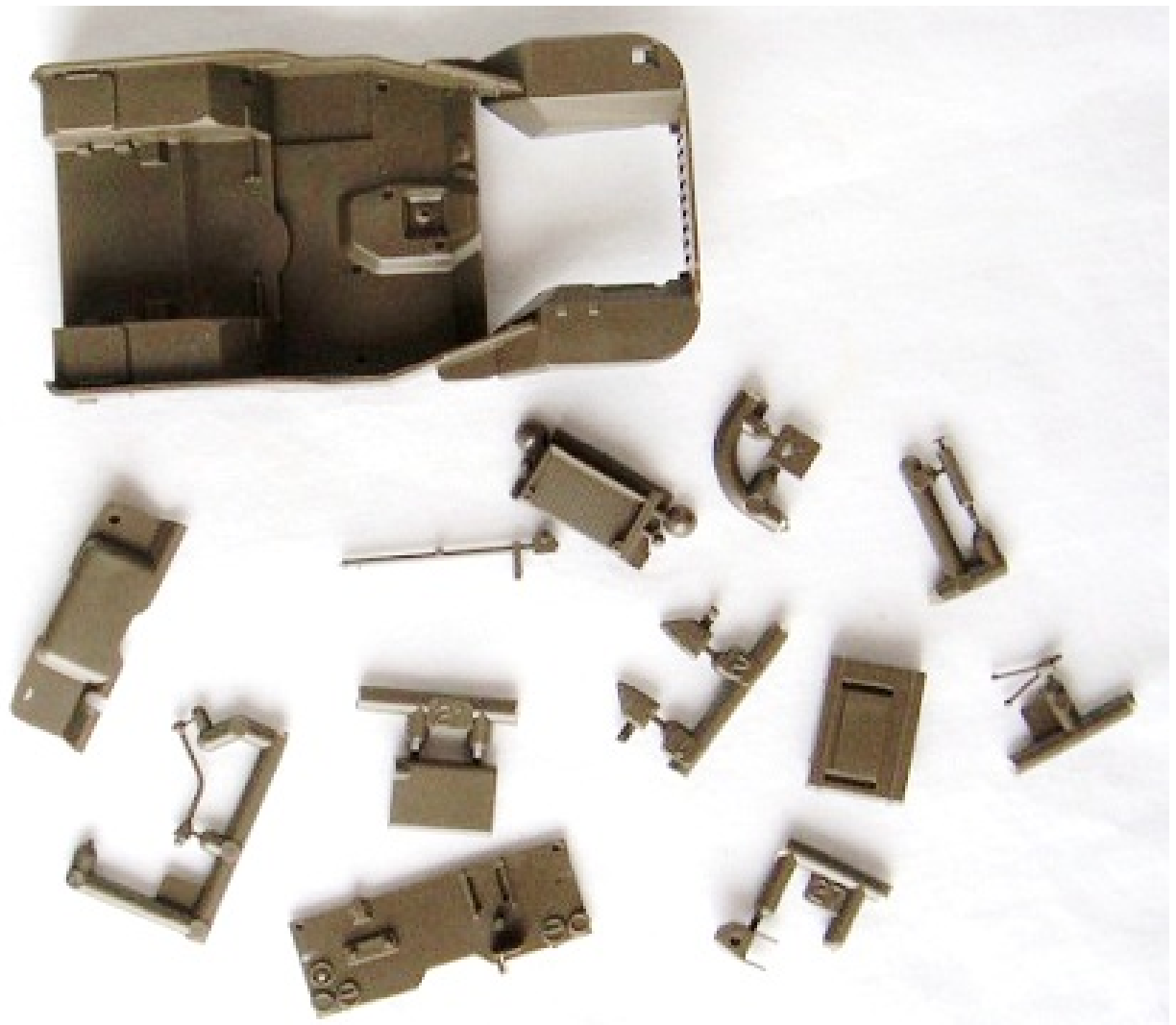


Figure 3105 and Figure 3106 Parts; B16, B20, B17, and B19 are painted Model Master Olive Drab. Part A23 is painted Model Master Olive Drab and Testors Flat Brown. B16 is attached to the right rear of A7, B20 is attached to the left rear of A7, B17 is attached to right front of A7 and B19 is attached to the left front of A7. A23 is attached to the center of A7 with a piece attaching to A11.

Figure 3107 The following parts are painted Model Master Olive Drab; A21, A3, Body, A18, A27, A33, A5, A9. On the bottom of the body parts; A21 and A3 are attached. Then part A27 is attached to A33 before or after A33 is glued to the body. The next group of parts; A9, A18, and A5 are attached to the top of the body in the cab section. Parts; B21 and B15 are painted Model Master Olive Drab and detailed with Model Master



Flat Black. B15 is glued to A9 and B21 is glued to the body beside A9. A1 and A2 are painted both Model Master Olive Drab and Model Master Faded Olive Drab before they are installed onto the body assembly. A19 is painted Model Master Olive Drab, Testors Semi Gloss Black, and Testors Silver. Both parts C1 are installed into A19 with Testors Clear Parts Cement & Window Maker. The A19 assembly is installed into the body assembly. B42 is painted Testors Gold then Decal 12 is applied to B42. Testors Dull Coat Lacquer is used on B42 once the decal is dry and then B42 is installed onto the body assembly.



Figure 3108 and Figure 3109 A front and rear view of the body assembly up to Step 4.

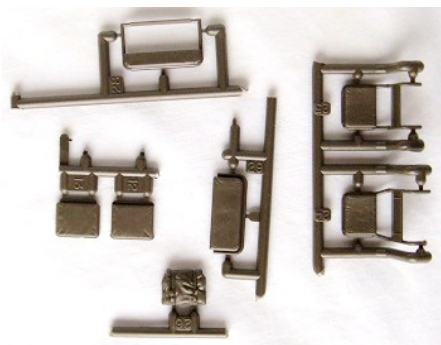


Figure 3110 and Figure 3111 Here the parts A12, A13, A29, A28, A24 and A25 are painted Model Master Olive Drab and detailed with Model Master Faded Olive Drab. A13 and A26 are attached to A25. A12 is glued to A24 and A29 is glued to A28.

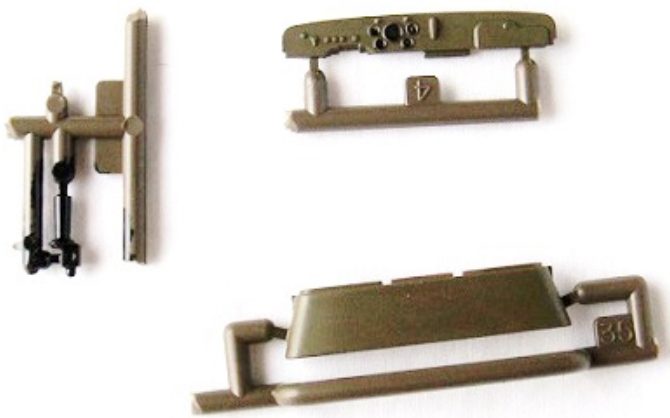


Figure 3112 and Figure 3113 A35 and A4 are painted Model Master Olive Drab. A14 is painted Testors Semi Gloss Black. A4 is detailed with Testors Semi Gloss Black. A4 is glued to A35 and then Decal 13 is applied to the A4 section. Testors Dull Coat Lacquer is applied to A4 to not only secure the decal to A4 but to dull down the finish of the decal. A14, A35, A25, A24, and A28 (Figure 3111) are attached to the body assembly



Figure 3114 If you use the machine gun for this kit the hole for it must be opened up on the body before the body assembly is attached to the chassis assembly.



Figure 3115 Tamiya Weathering Master Set A (sand) is applied to the fender wells.



Figure 3116 and Figure 3117 B28, B29 (2 each), B30 (2 each), B25 and B26 (4 each) are painted Model Master Olive Drab and Model Master Flat Black. B25 is installed into B28, B26 (2 each) are installed into B29 (2 each) and B26 (2 each) are installed into B30 (2 each).

Figure 3118 A17 is painted Testors Flat Green, Testors Aluminum, and Testors Semi Gloss Black before it is attached to; A22, A11, and A19. The following parts are painted Model Master Olive Drab before they are attached to the body assembly; B27, B1, both B39's, A31, A30, and A34. The fuel can (B36, B35, and B49) is assembled before it is installed onto the body.

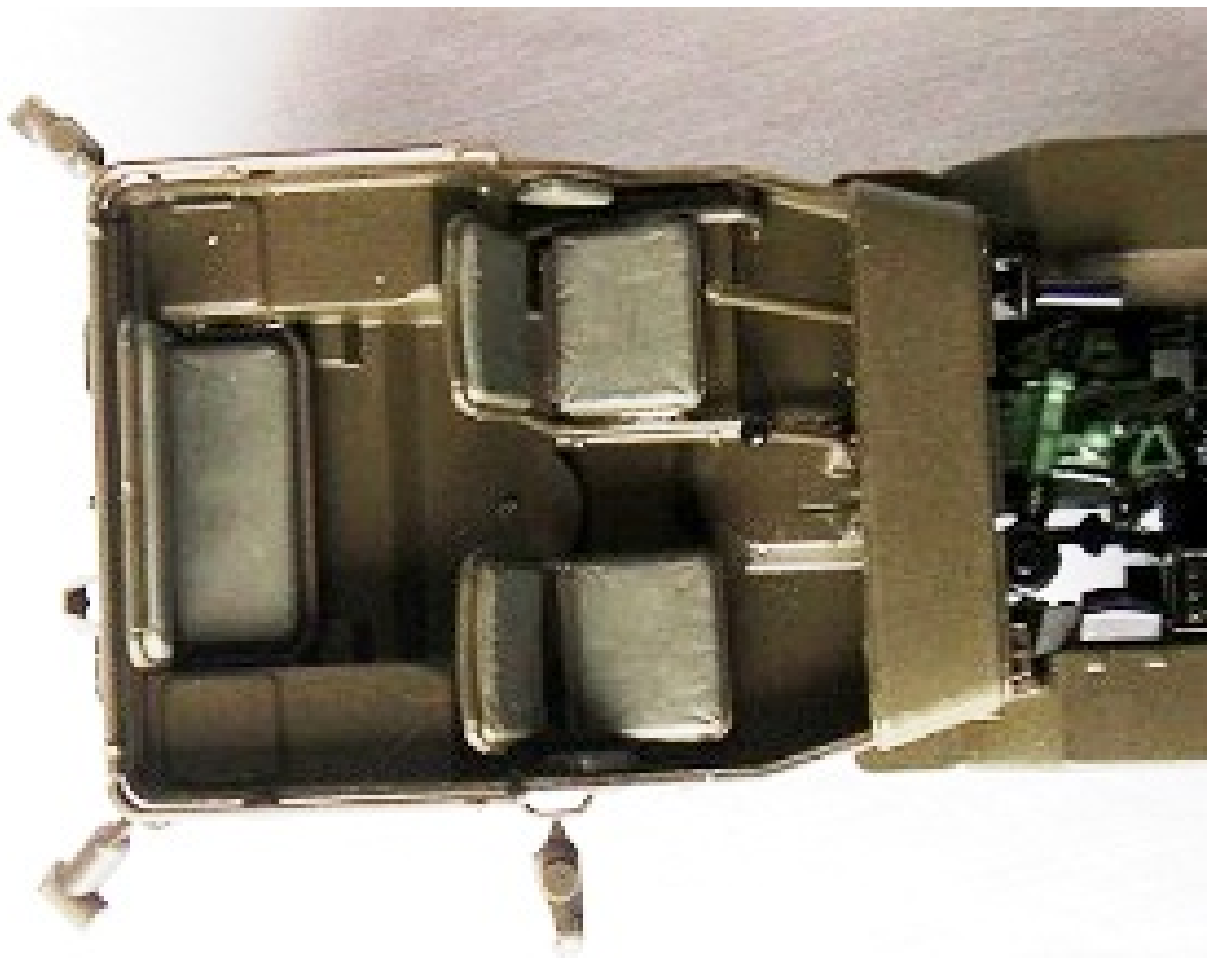
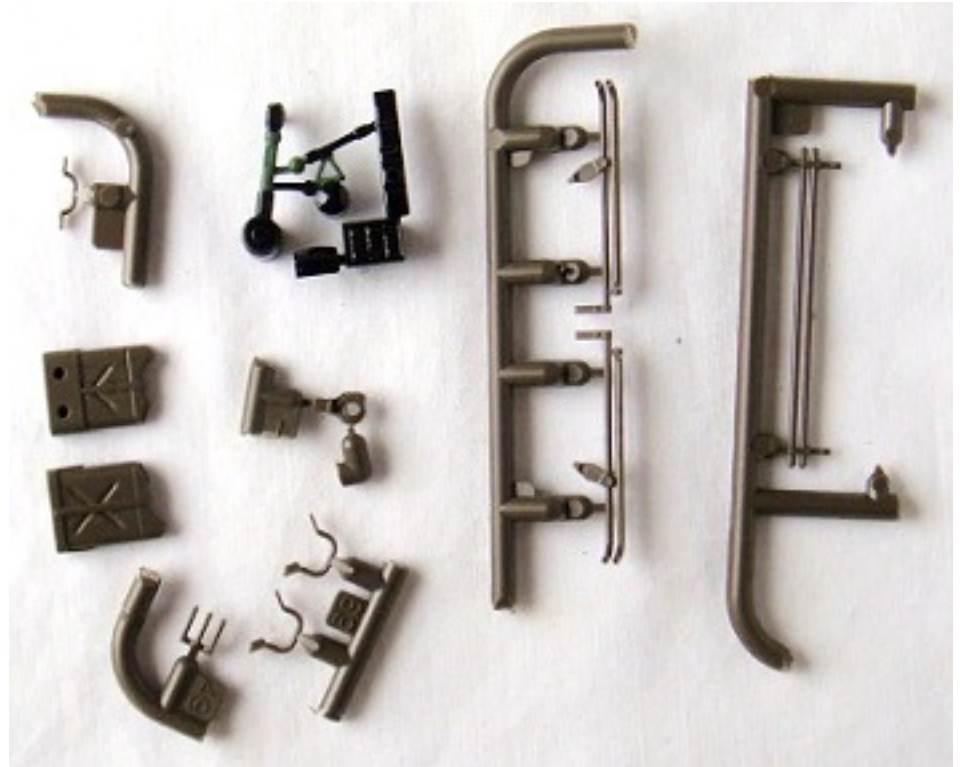


Figure 3119 For Both B39's, and B27 I left a part of the sprue on for easier installation. The sprues can be removed once the glue is dry and the parts can be touched up with paint.



Figure 3120 The tires (Figure 3117) and the parts from Figure 3118 are installed onto the body assembly.

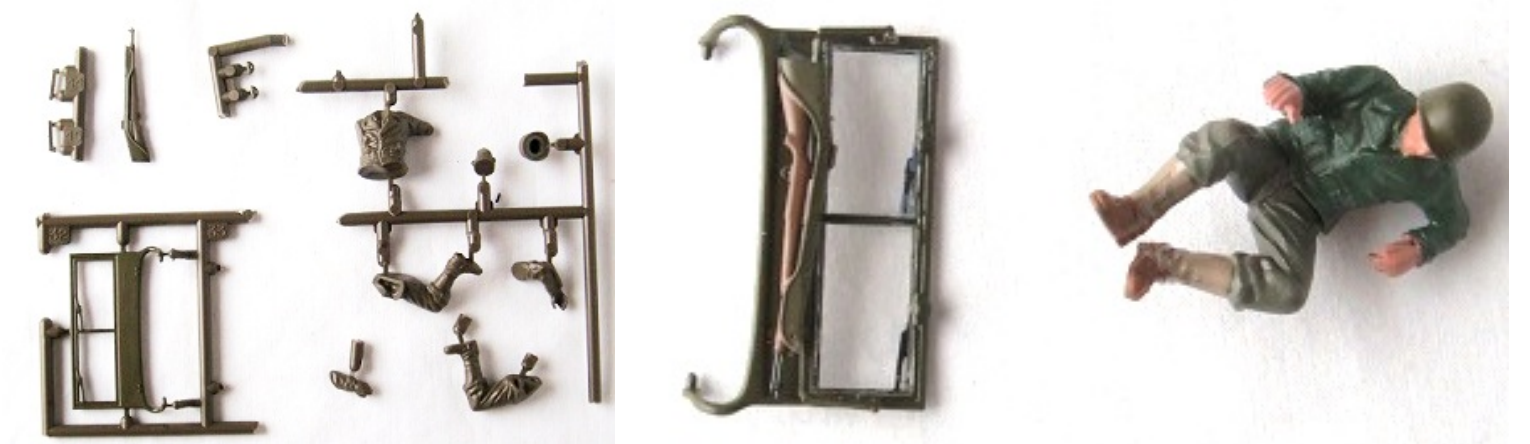


Figure 3121 and Figure 3122 The following parts are painted Model Master Olive Drab; A32, B44, B45, and both B48's. Both C2's are installed into A32 with Testors Clear Parts Cement & Window Maker. B44, B45 and both B48's are attached to A32. B9 is painted Model Master Olive Drab, Model Master Gun Metal, and Model Master Military Brown and then attached it to A32. B32 is glued to B31 then B22 is attached to the B32/B31 assembly. B23, B33, and B34 are attached to B22. B24 is glued to B23. The soldier assembly is painted; Model Master Acryl Skin Tone Warm Tint, Model Master Sand Beige, Testors Flat Brown, Model Master Faded Olive Drab, Model Master Olive Drab, and Model Master Italian Olive Green.

Figure 3123 In Figure 3123 the parts B40, A8, B27, B3, A6, B43, and B46 painted Model Master Olive Drab. B47 is painted Model Master Flat Black. B38 and B37 are painted Model Master Military Brown and Tamiya XF-56 Metallic Grey. Decal 35 is applied to A6 at this time and a thin layer of Testors Dull Coat Lacquer is applied to A6.

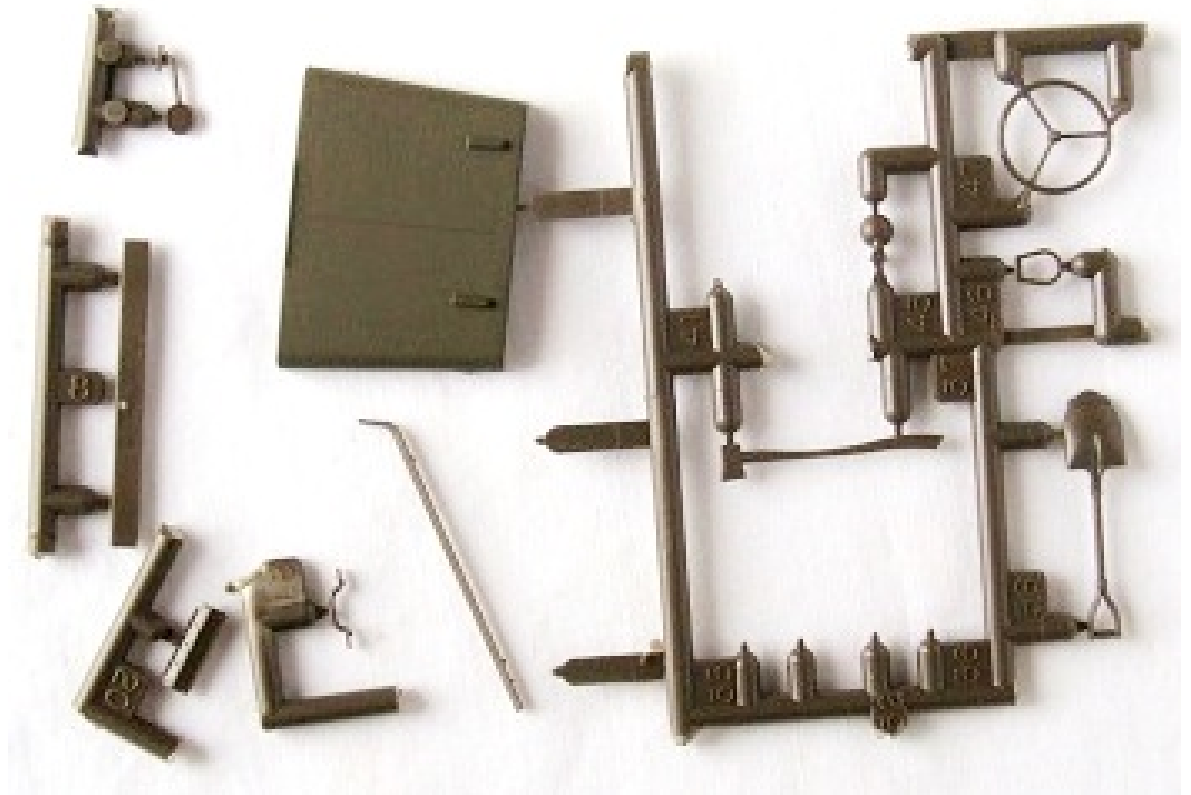


Figure 3124 In this figure the parts from Figure 3122 and Figure 3123 are added to the body assembly. B3 was left off and will be added later on in the build.

Figure 3125 B10 is painted Model Master Military Brown, Model Master Gunmetal, and Testors Flat Brown. B8 is painted Model Master Gunmetal. B41 is painted Model Master Light Grey, Decal 11 is applied, and then B41 is painted Testors Dull Coat Lacquer. The following parts are painted Model Master Olive Drab; B12, B6, B7, B5, and B11. B11 is glued to B12 trapping B8 in place between them. B6 is attached to B7 and B5 is glued to the top of B6/B7.

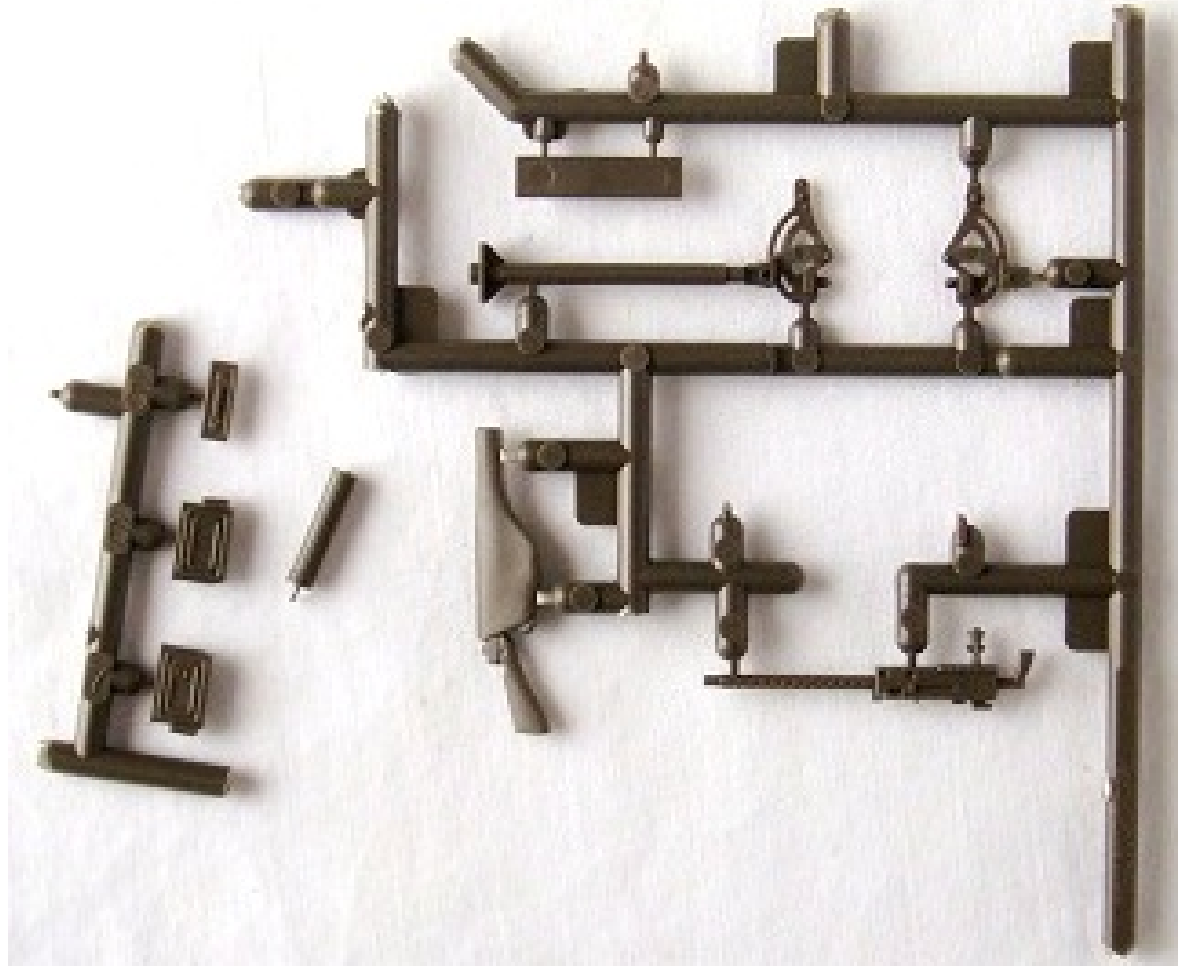


Figure 3126 and Figure 3127 B3 from Figure 3123 is attached to the front bumper. B10, B41, and the machine gun assembly are installed onto the body assembly. The Jeep is decaled to match the 7th Armored Division 814th Tank Destroyer Battalion Reconnaissance Company NO. 22 stationed in Belgium in January 1945. Decals 4, 18, 19 (2 each), and 15 are applied to the left side of the body. Decals; 36, 16, and 32 are applied to the front of the body. Decals; 29 and 32 are applied to the rear of the body. Decals; 5, 18, 19 (2each), and 15 are applied to the right side of the body. After the decals are cured they are covered with Testors Dull Coat Lacquer to dull the finish of the decals.



Figure 3129 To add detail to this kit I used Tamiya weathering Master Set A Mud to all the decals to dirty them up and then I added the sand from the same set to the body and the wheels.



Figure 3130 and Figure 3131 The fuel can has a seam that can be corrected with Tamiya Putty. I used the Basic Type.

Figure 3132 Here are the extra decals for this kit that can be used to replicate four other types of units the jeep was used in. there are extra parts as well to create different options, such as the tow bar for the front, the hinge to have the hood open and the convoy commander sign.



Figure 9999 Conclusion: This is a must have for any military collector and classic automobile collector. I really enjoyed building this kit even with the instructions being as simple as they were. There were only three parts trees in the kit making it an easy build. I wish that there would have been part descriptions as well as the part numbers in the kit though. I am now searching for the other version kits so that I can have them in my collection as well.

