

Star Wars Episode I Trade Federation  
**Droid Fighters**™

ERTL Kit 30118 1/48 Scale

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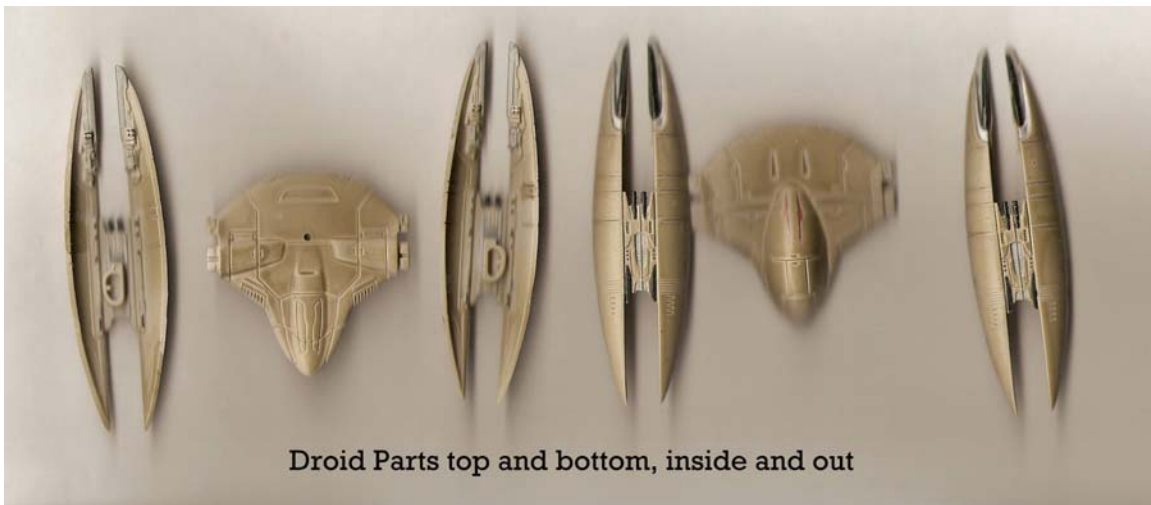


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This is a very simple snap kit totaling about a 16 parts. Each Droid Fighter is composed of 4 pieces, the central nacelle/fuselage halves and 2 side engine/armament pods. Nevertheless it makes into a nice representation. I tried to get a worn, “in use” appearance which George Lucas has stated is correct for his universe.

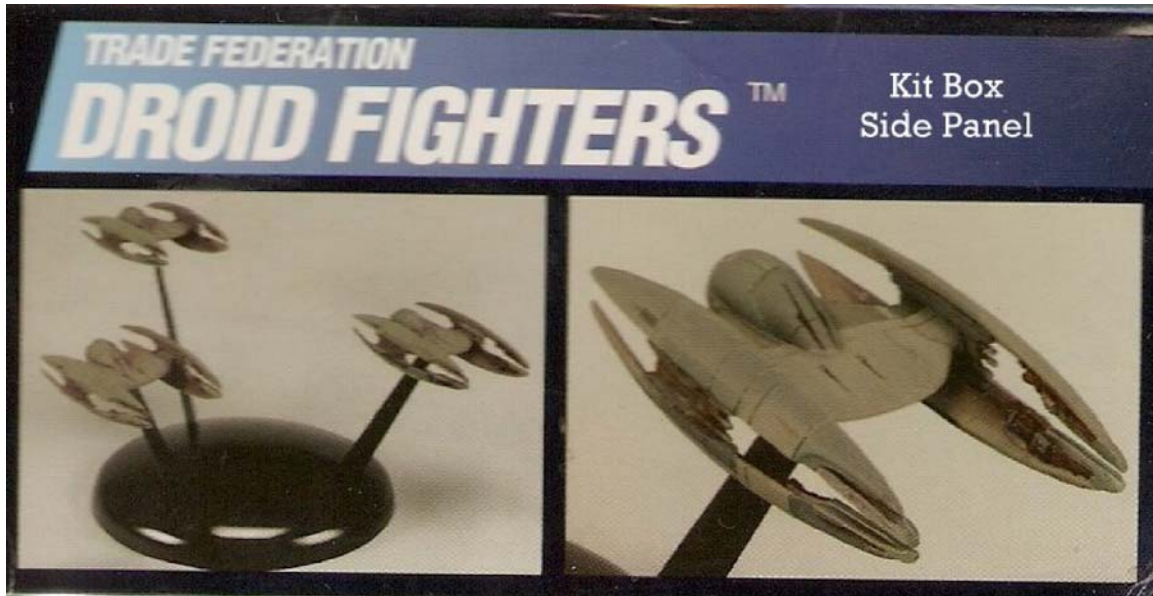


The stand arms were bent a bit out of stock positions to get more of an action pose. This caused some problems, as 2 of the arms broke. One such incident occurred (of course) while setting up at NOREASTCON. All the arms have now been drilled out at the bottom and re-enforced with steel wire.



It's been a while since I built these, but as well as I can recall the basic color was Pactra Military Green, oversprayed with a haze of Aeromaster

RLM 02. Panel lines were enhanced with an ordinary but very sharp lead pencil. The nose areas and the gun bays of the pods are Flat Aluminum with Gloss Black details. The iridescent “eyes” of the cockpit were done with nail polish appropriated from my girlfriend, the exact shade unfortunately lost in the mists of time along with the girlfriend.



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