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1:48 WESTLAND SEA KING HAS.1/HAS.5/HU.5



A11006 – Westland Sea King HAS.1/HAS.5/HU.5

Airfix is proud to announce the NEW MOULD 1:48 scale Westland Sea King HAS.1/HAS.5/HU.5!

The new mould **A11006 Westland Sea King HAS.1/HAS.5/HU.5** in 1:48 scale is undoubtedly the most complete Sea King kit ever released, featuring folding rotor blades & tail, retracted undercarriage option, full interior including anti-submarine warfare suite, open/closed door option, two radome types and two hull pieces featuring an open option for the dipping sonar.

Alongside these features, the kit consists of 348 crisply moulded parts and four schemes of XV666, displaying at an overall length of 460mm and a rotor blade width of 397mm. In June 1970, XV666 left the Westland factory to begin a flying career that is still ongoing to this day. Beginning its life as a HAS.1 with 826 NAS, XV666 is still flying with HeliOps in 2023. The four schemes in this kit depicts stages in her varied career, representing over 50 years of service.

The Sea King features a highly detailed external skin with over fully riveted and overlapping panel details, fully detailed cockpit with raised detail on the control instruments and surfaces; including a highly detailed cabin with three different interior layouts to match the schemes included. Amongst these details, the kit also allows for positional search lights and a full aerial fit for each scheme.

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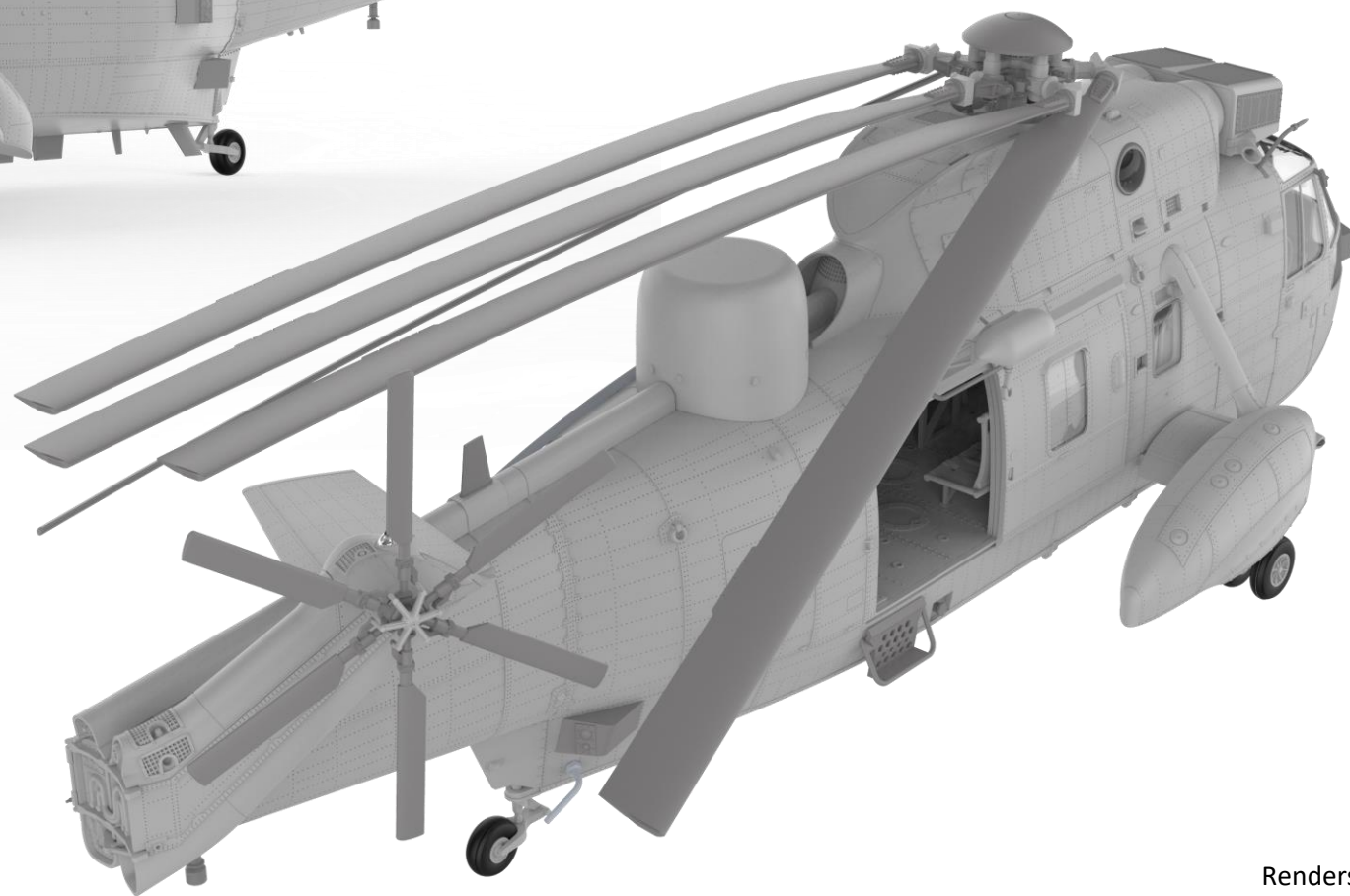


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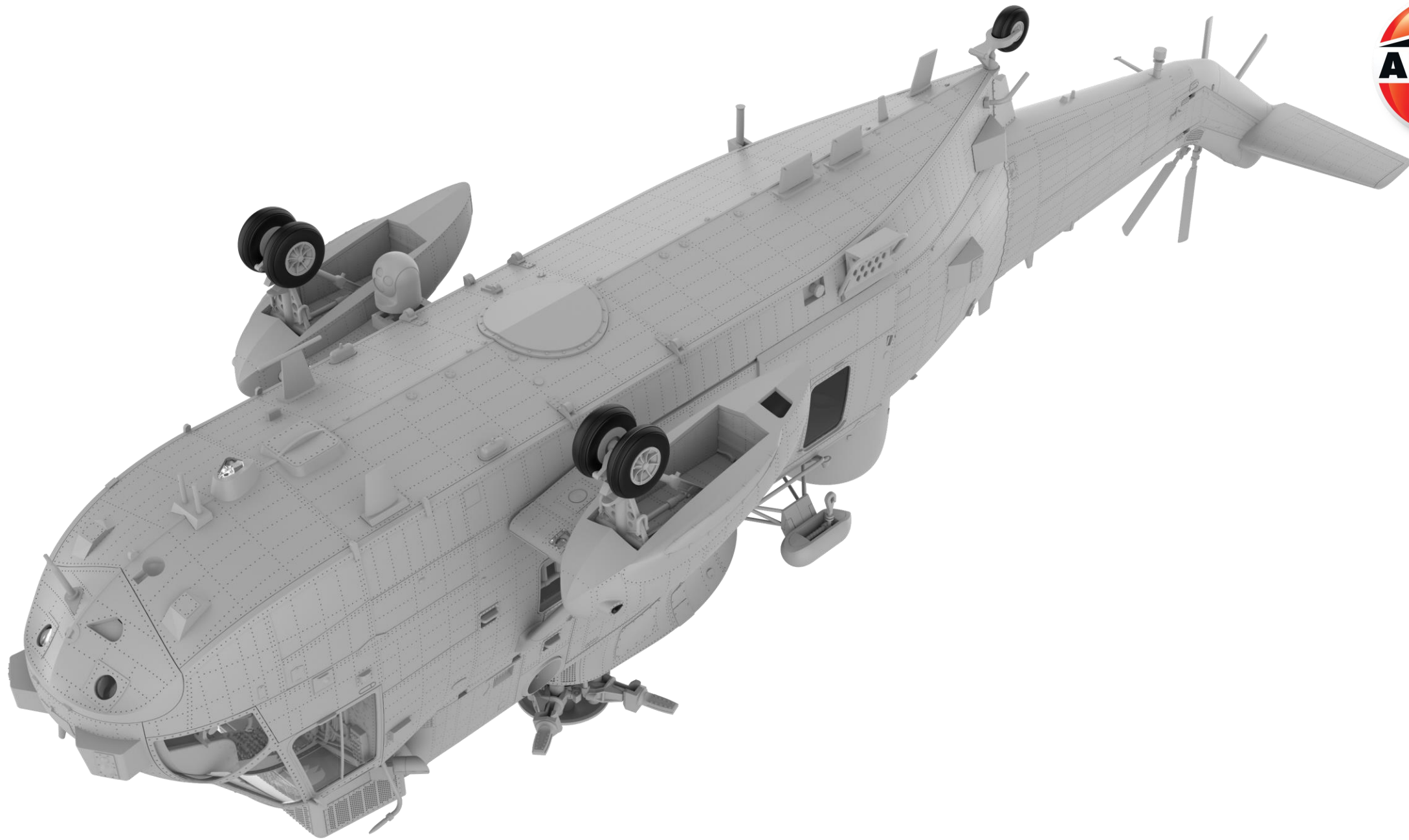
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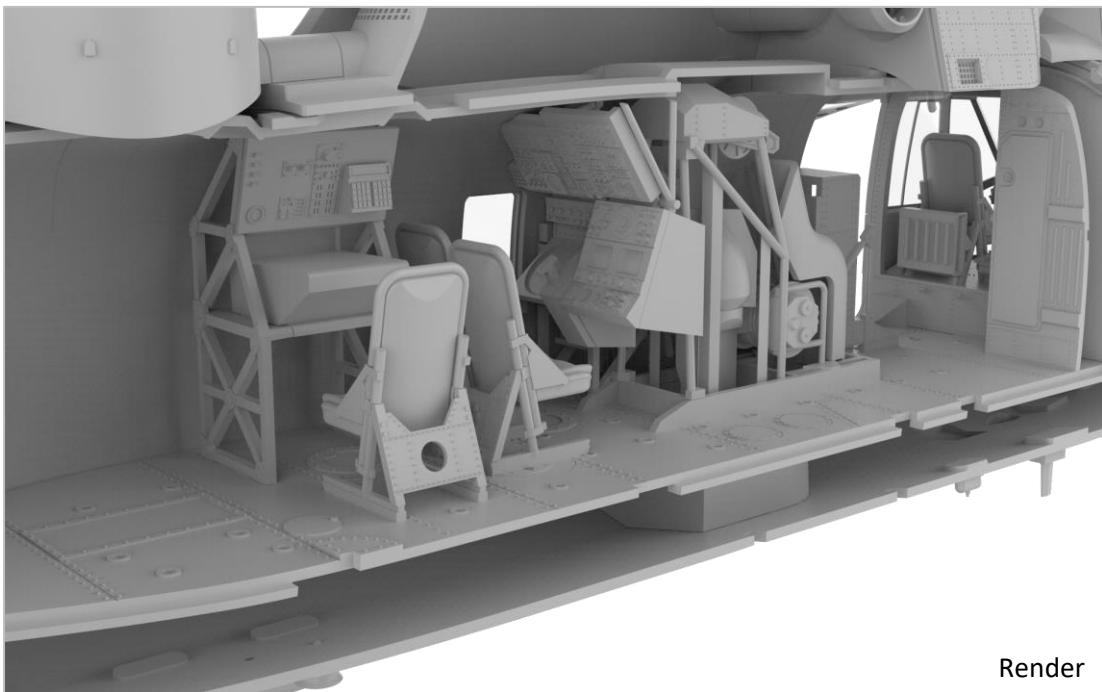
- The most complete Sea King kit ever released – 348 pieces
- The 4 schemes follow the life of one aircraft from its first flight to its current livery
- Highly detailed external – over lapping panels and fully riveted
- Fully detailed cockpit – raised detail on control and instrument surfaces
- Highly detailed cabin – 3 different interior layouts to match the schemes
- Full aerial fit for each scheme
- Folded main rotor blades option
- Folded tail option
- Dipping sonar rig
- Cabin and cockpit door can both be posed open
- Poseable search lights
- Retracted undercarriage option



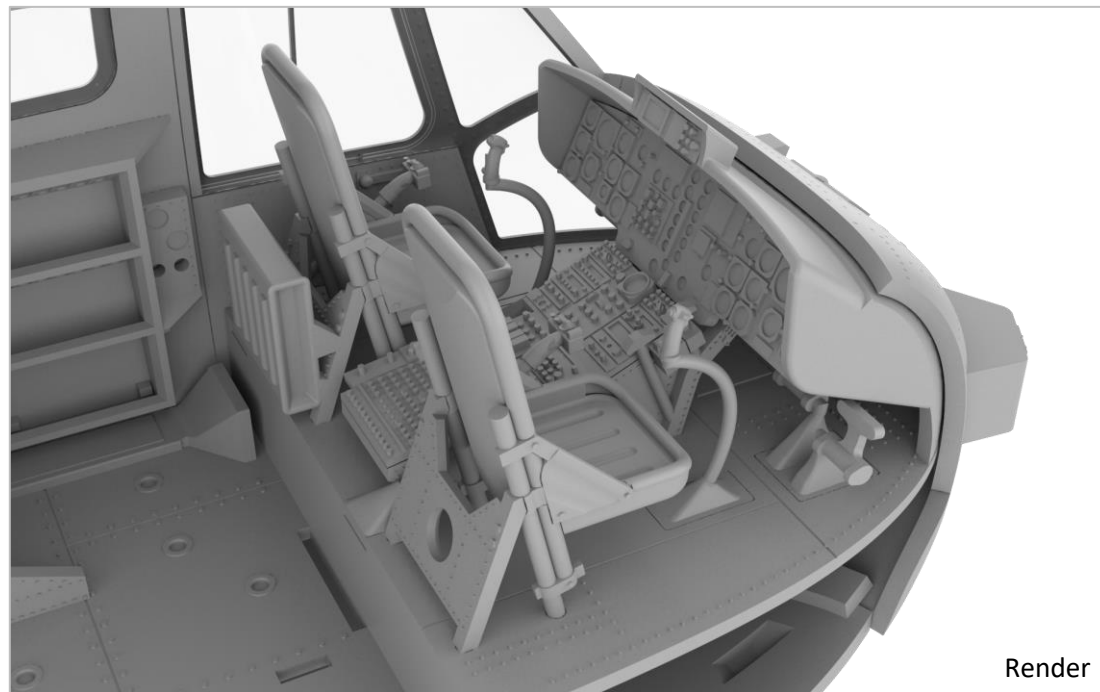


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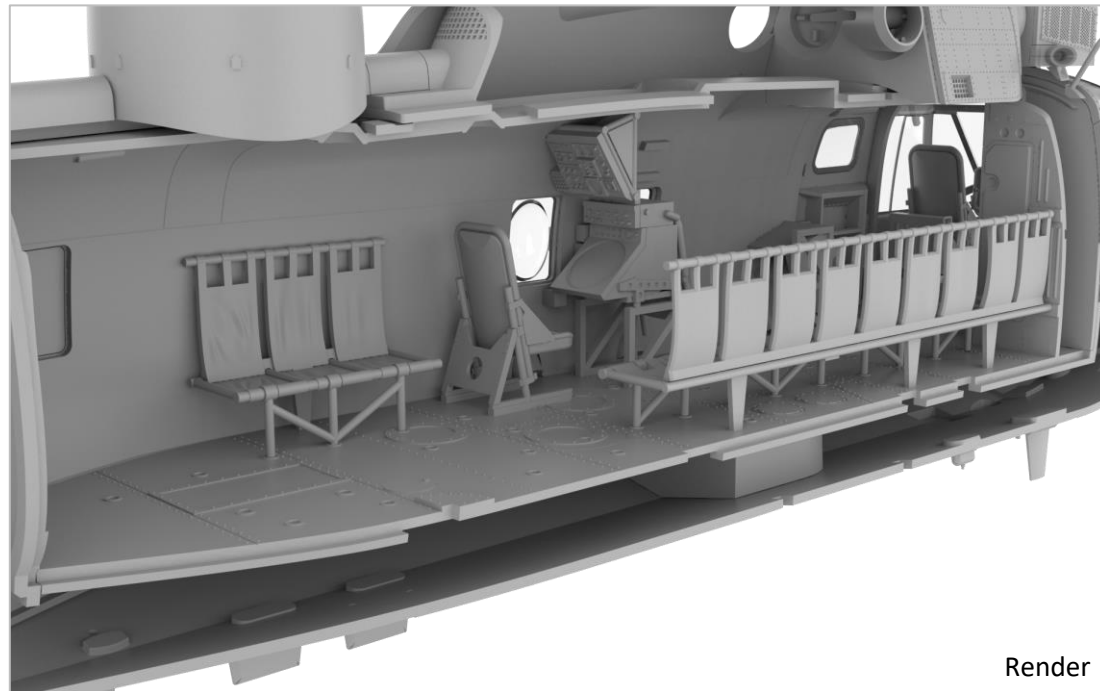
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Westland Sea King

HAS.1/HAS.5/HU.5

History behind the schemes

XV666 was built as a HAS.1 in 1970 and delivered to RNAS Culdrose the same year, entering service with 826 NAS. XV666, AKA Damien, has been continually upgraded throughout the years including a change of equipment/role to become a HU.5 conducting the SAR (Search and Rescue) role.

XV666 is now operated by HeliOperations out of Portland (formerly HMS Osprey) and is tasked with training German crews on the venerable Sea King.

The schemes in this kit reflect the service life of this very special airframe!



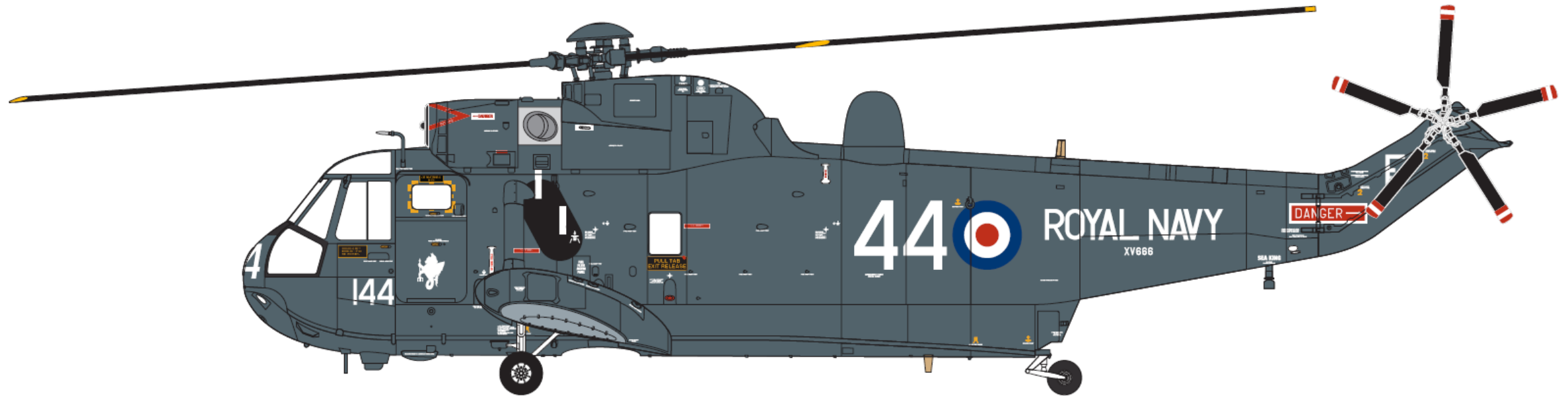


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Decal Scheme A

Westland Sea King HAS.1 XV666

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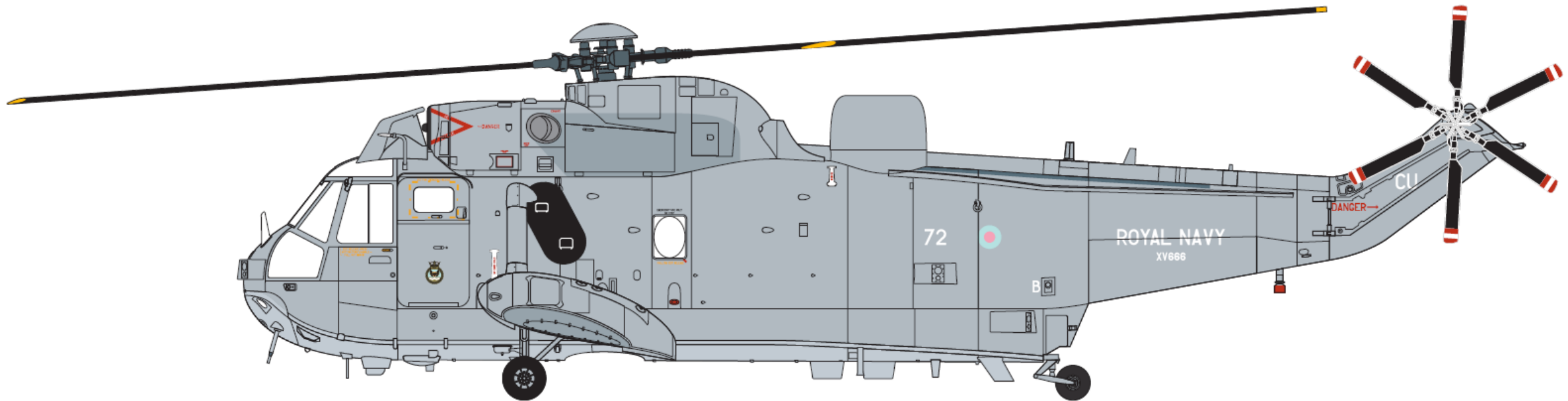




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Westland Sea King HAS.5 XV666

No.814 Naval Air Squadron, Royal Naval Station Culdrose, Cornwall, England, 1988.





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Westland Sea King HU.5 XV666

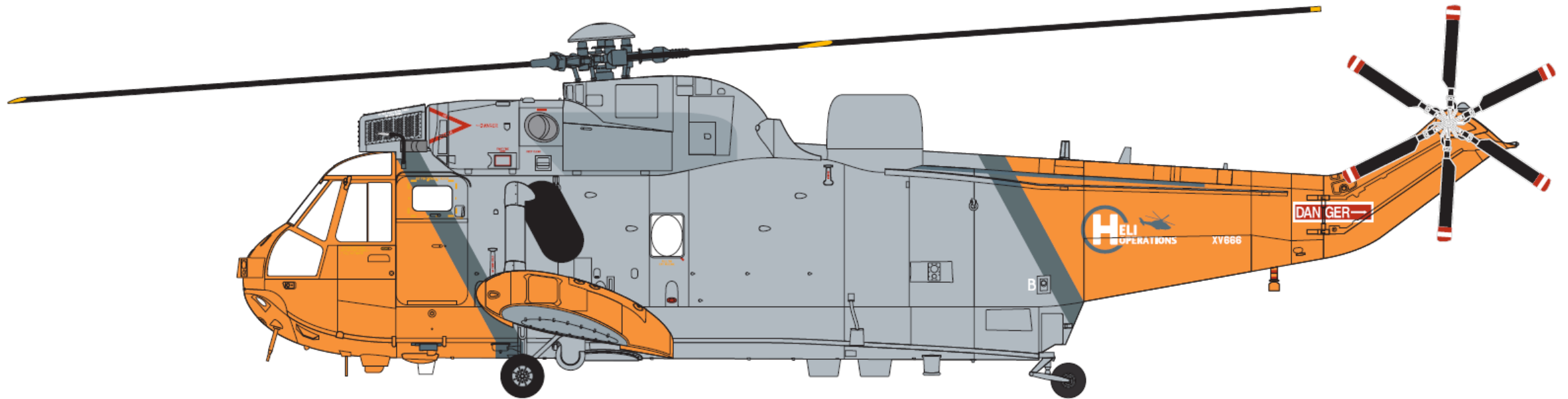
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Westland Sea King HU.5 XV666
Heli-Operations, Portland, Dorset, England, 2022.



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In June 2018 20046 left the Westland factory to begin a flying career that is still ongoing to this day. Beginning life as a HAS.1 with R26 W5, '44' was still flying with 4400h in 2020. The four rotors in this kit depict changes in her varied career, representing over 50 years of service.

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