

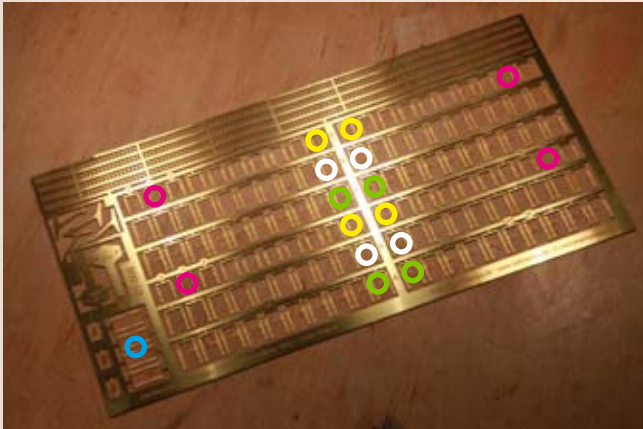


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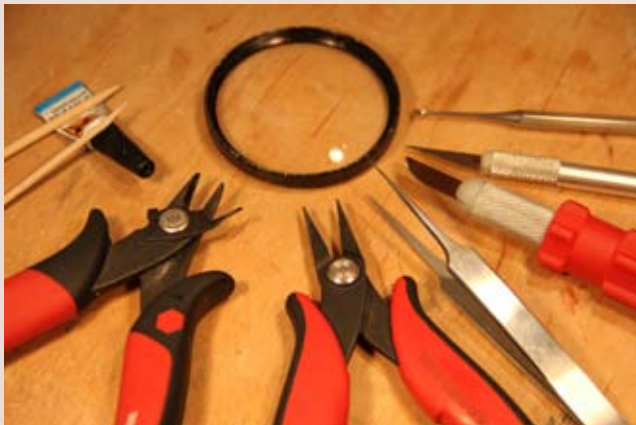
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Gunport lid fittings

Distribution of the different types of gunports. Colour scheme see on the left.



Required tools



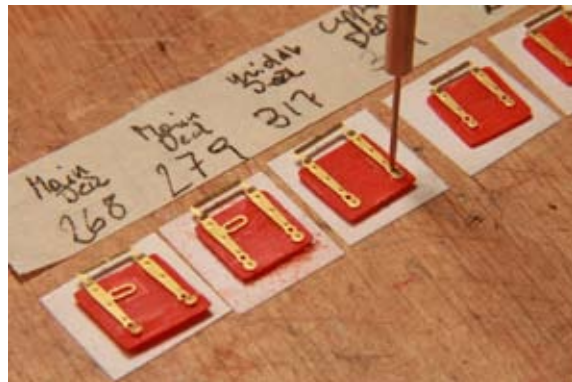


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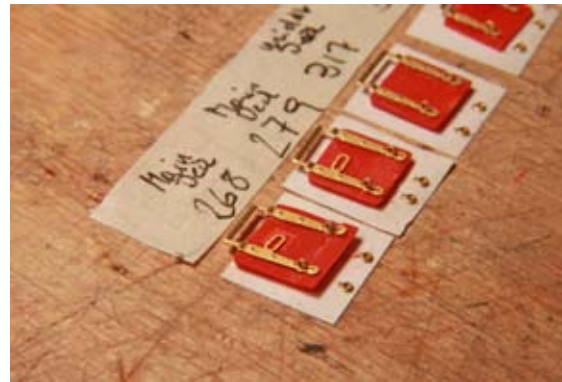
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Gunport lid fittings (1)

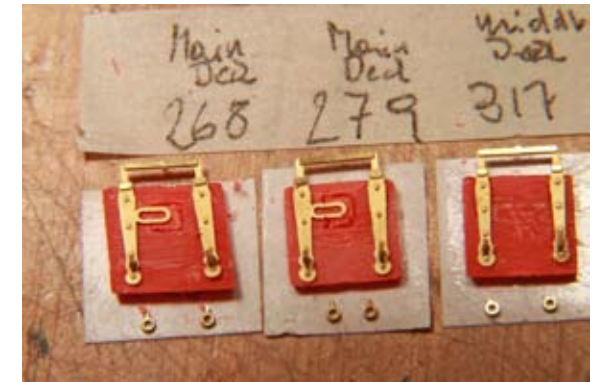
Fix the lids with double sided tape onto the table for stable working conditions. Cut off the etch fittings still leaving them on the inter-connecting spacer. Use little CA to place them onto the lid.



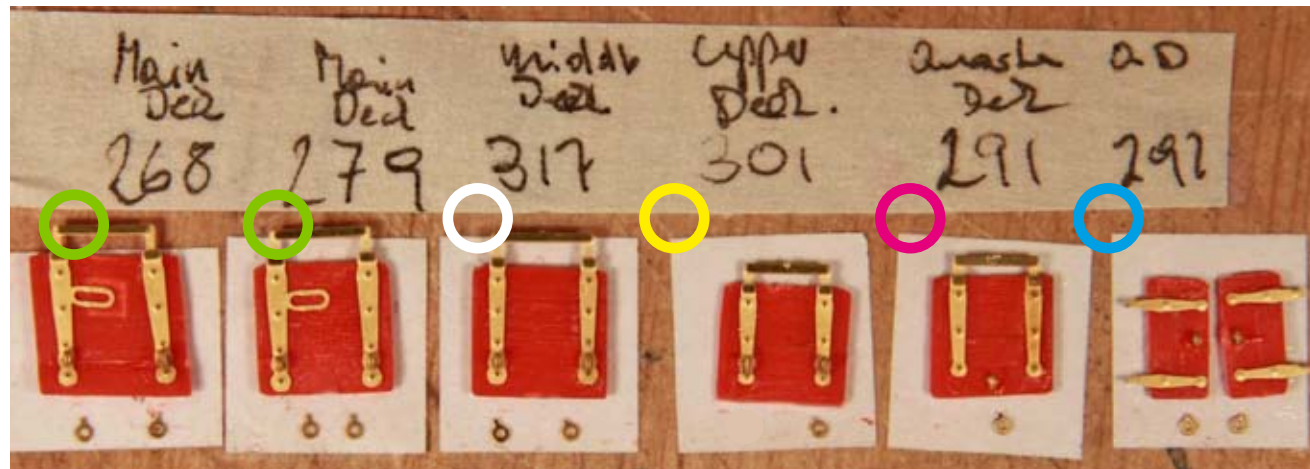
Use a needle to punch a hole for the ring bold through the hole in the fitting ...



... and glue in the rings.



Also use the needle to punch holes on the downside of the lid for the closing eyebolts.



The different types of lids have different numbers of inside bolts, here shown lying underneath the lids. Lower and middle deck lids have two rings, upper and quarter deck have one ring on the inside.



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Gunport lid fittings (2)



Before inserting the lid, cut off the interconnecting spacer. If you want to show the ports open, leave the upper part as long as shown in the circle. If they are meant to be shown shut, cut straight on top of the hinge shown in the red circle.

Very interesting are the lids in the very front and aft - very much shifted. This also includes the small hinge for the airing scuttle.

To imitate the scuttle itself, just use a scalpel. Just *press* it in to create the fine split line. It works better than pulling. Try out first on some spare material.



To show open ports, slide the lid a bit downwards, use a needle to mark the position for the holes, drill a 0,5 mm hole ...



... and just plug in the lid, secure with CA and adjust the angle :-)

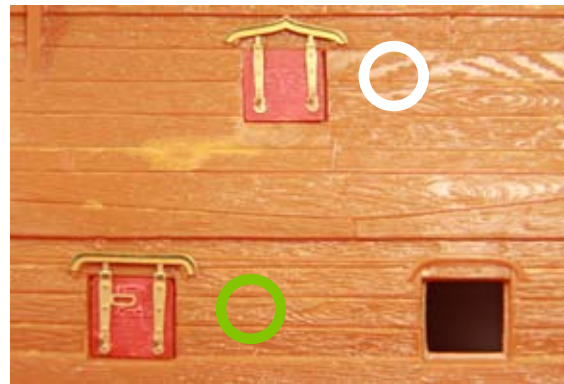
Leave a small gap towards the hull!



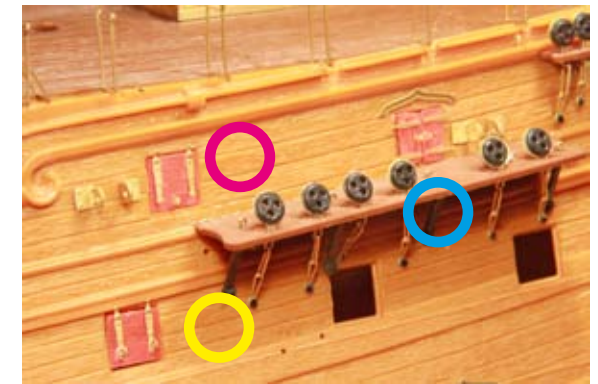


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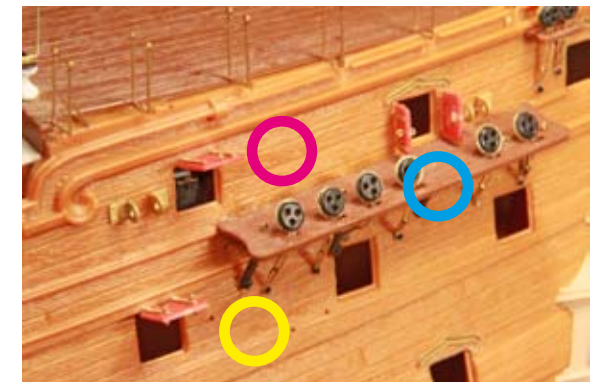
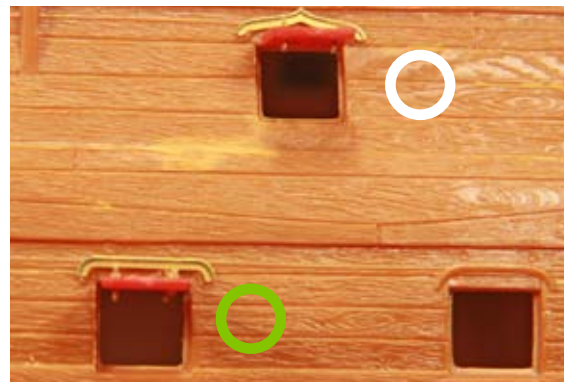
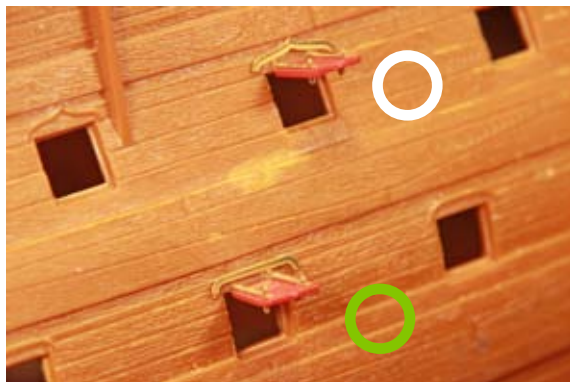
Gunport lid fittings (3)



The hinges of the scuttles of the lower deck lids are meant to point forwards as incoming waves are meant to slam the scuttle shut.



Here the upper two decks, closed ...



... and open.



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The kit is missing one of the support brackets on the main channels. Always glue two parts together to get the required thickness and reposition all of them.



For the spindle of the carronade drill a hole of 0,5 mm through the breech. While inserting a wire of the same thickness, slide the handle onto it from underneath.



Hint: The hinges for the stern ports lids have to be cut out of pink fittings. Just shorten them.

Spacers for the drilling of the holes for the lanyards. Hold spacer well, use a needle to mark the holes, remove the spacer and drill the holes accordingly.

