

Swedish Regal Ship VASA

Der schwedische König Gustav II. Adolf erteilte 1625 den Befehl zum Bau der VASA als Flaggschiff seiner Ostseeflotte. Der gerade erst 30 Jahre alte Regent forderte mächtige Schiffe mit überlegener Artillerie zur Abschreckung seiner Gegner. Das Bauholz fand man südlich Stockholms, wo rund 1.000 Eichen anhand von Schablönen ausgesucht und gefällt wurden. Der König drängte auf eine rasche Fertigstellung, so dass rund 400 Handwerker mit dem Bau beschäftigt waren. Sein Schiffbaumeister auf der königlichen Werft von Stockholm, der Niederländer Henrik Hybertson, starb jedoch bereits im Frühjahr 1627. Unter Leitung des holländischen Schiffbaumeisters Hein Jacobsson wurde der Rumpf mit 2 Kanonendecks bis Anfang 1628 vollendet und zu Wasser gelassen. Mit mehr als 700 tüppig vergoldeten sowie bemalten Skulpturen und Verzierungen wurde die VASA anschließend zu einem imposanten Prunkschiff ausgebaut. Die Figuren von Krieger, mythologischen Gestalten und Tieren waren zum Teil lebensgroß. Mit 69 Meter Länge und 72 Kanonen war das nach der herrschenden Königsdynastie benannte Kriegsschiff eines der größten seiner Zeit. Trotz aufkommender Zweifel an seiner Seetüchtigkeit wurde das Flaggschiff für den ersten Einsatz ausgerüstet. Vom König für den Krieg gegen Polen dringend angefordert, setzte die VASA am 10. August 1628 bei mildem Sommerwetter ihre Segel zur festlichen Jungfernfahrt im Hafen von Stockholm. Für ein Salutessen waren alle Stückpforten geöffnet. Nach einer Windböe legte sich das Schiff zu weit über und sofort strömte immer mehr Wasser in das Rumpfinnere. Vor den Augen der versammelten Menschenmenge sank die VASA innerhalb weniger Augenblicke. Alle Versuche das Schiff zu heben schlugen fehl und so beschränkte man sich später nur noch auf die Bergung der wertvollen Bronze-Kanonen. Nach 328 Jahren wurde die VASA im Hafen von Stockholm wiedertotgedeckt, von Tauchern mühsam freigelegt und 1961 aus einer Tiefe von 30 Metern erfolgreich gehoben. Die weitergehende Suche nach Teilen des Schiffes, deren Rekonstruktion und die Konservierung dauert noch heute an. Seit 1990 ist das einzigartige und fast vollständig original erhaltene Schiff im Vasa-Museum Stockholm zu sehen.

Technische Daten:

- Kiellegung: 1626
- Stapellauf: Anfang 1628
- Länge ü. A.: 69 m
- Breite: 11,7 m
- Höhe Kiel-Mastspitze: 52,5 m
- Tiefgang am Heck: 4,8 m
- Verdrängung: 1.210 Tonnen
- Anzahl Segel: 10
- Gesamtsegelfläche: 1.275 qm
- Besatzung: 145 Seeleute und 300 Soldaten
- Hauptbewaffnung: Fünfundsechzig 24-pounder; acht 3-pounder; sechs Hauptitzen; zwei 1-pounder

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In 1625, the Swedish King Gustavus Adolphus II, commissioned the construction of the VASA as the flag ship of his Baltic fleet. The monarch who was only 30 years old needed powerful ships with superior artillery to scare off his enemies. The wood for construction was found to the south of Stockholm, where about 1,000 oaks were selected and felled on the basis of patterns. The king demanded speedy completion, so about 400 craftsmen were ordered to do the work. However, the master shipbuilder at the royal shipyard in Stockholm, a Dutchman called Henrik Hybertson, died in the spring of 1627. Under the leadership of another Dutch shipbuilder, Hein Jacobsson, the hull with 2 gun decks was completed and launched by the beginning of 1628. With over 700 opulently gilded and painted sculptures and ornamentation, the VASA was then fitted out to become a ship of impressive splendour. Some of the figures of warriors, mythological characters and animals were life size. With a length of 69 m and 72 cannon, this warship called after the reigning royal dynasty was one of the largest of her time. Despite emerging doubts about her seaworthiness, the flag ship was equipped for her first voyage. Urgently needed by the king for his war against the Poles, on 10th August 1628, the VASA set sail in mild summer weather on her festive maiden voyage in Stockholm harbour. All the gun ports were open to fire a salute. After a squall of wind the ship heeled too far over and water immediately flowed into the hull. Within a few moments, the VASA had sunk before the eyes of the assembled crowds. All attempts the raise the ship failed, so it was only possible to salvage the valuable bronze cannon at a later date. After 328 years the VASA was rediscovered in Stockholm harbour, carefully exposed and in 1961 she was successfully raised from a depth of 30 m. The extensive search for parts of the ship, her reconstruction and conservation is still ongoing today. Since 1990 this unique and almost completely original ship has been on show in the Vasa Museum at Stockholm.

Technical data:

- Keel laid: 1626
- Launched: beginning 1628
- Length overall: 69 m
- Beam: 11.7 m
- Height keel to tip of mainmast: 52.5 m
- Draught aft: 4.8 m
- Displacement: 1,210 tonnes
- Number of sails: 10
- Total sail area: 1,275 m²
- Crew: 145 seamen and 300 soldiers
- Main armament: sixty five 24-pounders, eight 3-pounders, six howitzers, two 1-pounders

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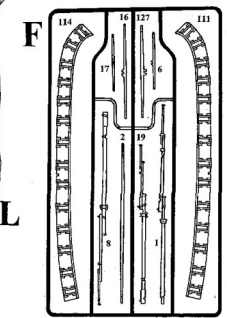
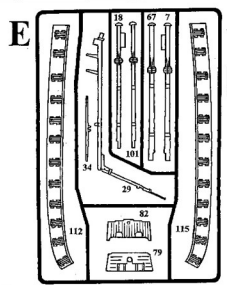
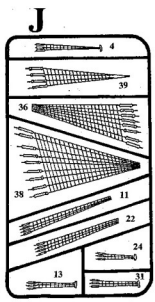
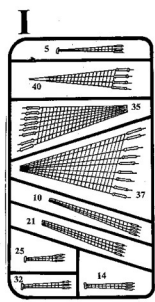
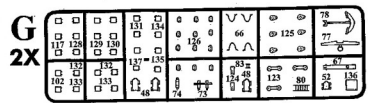
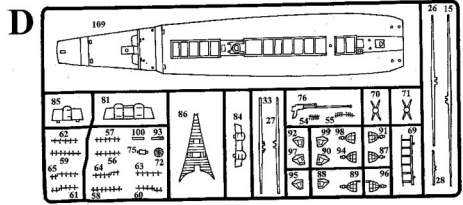
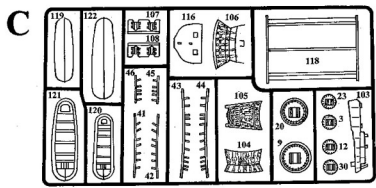
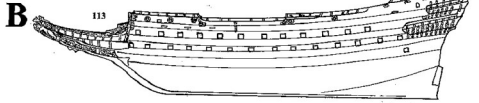
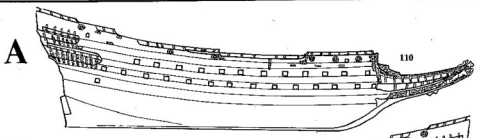
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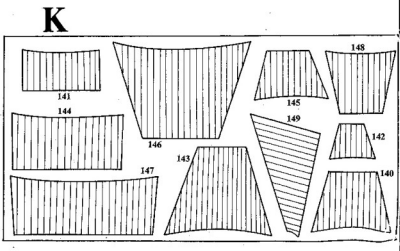
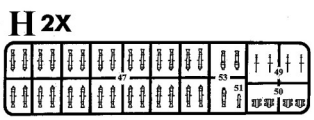
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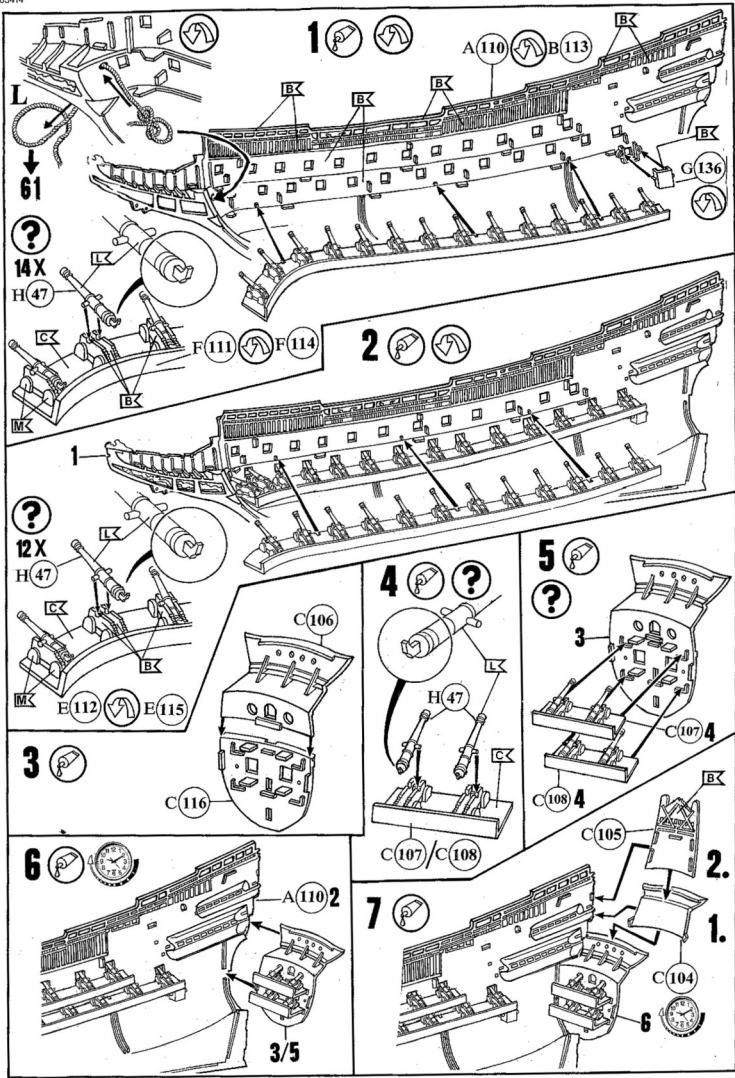
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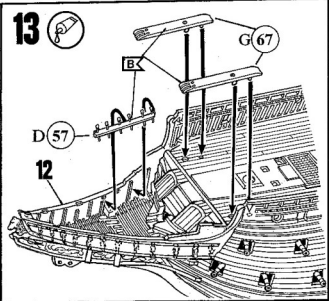
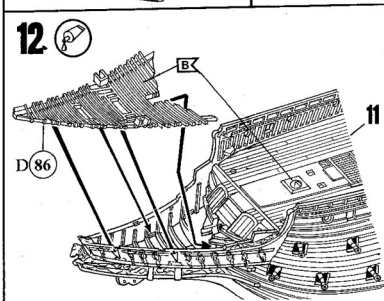
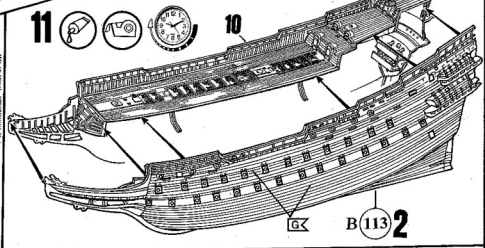
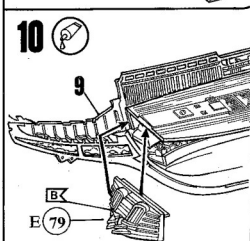
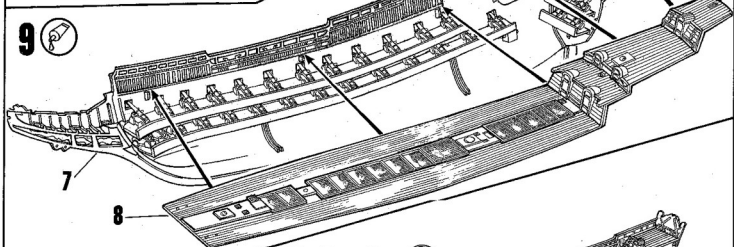
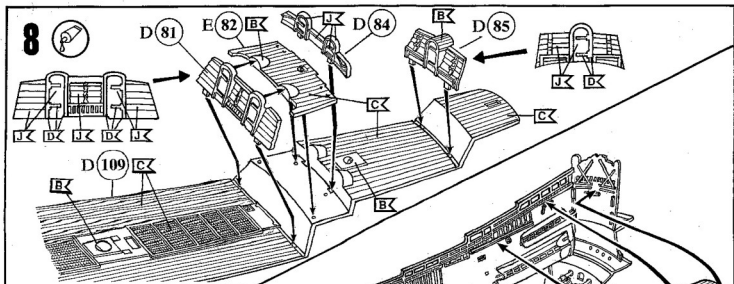
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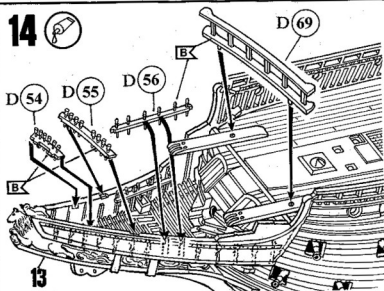
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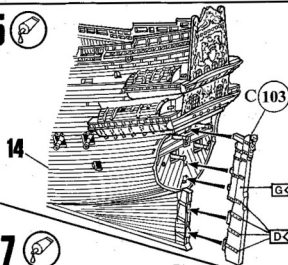




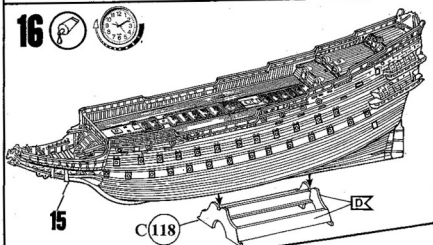
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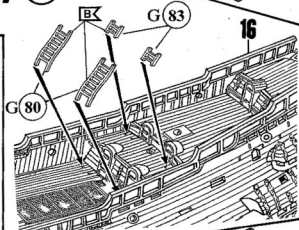
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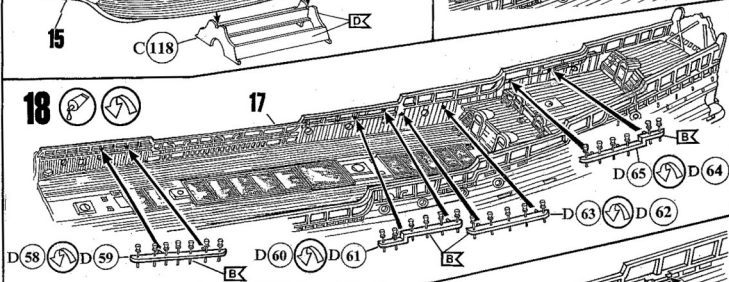
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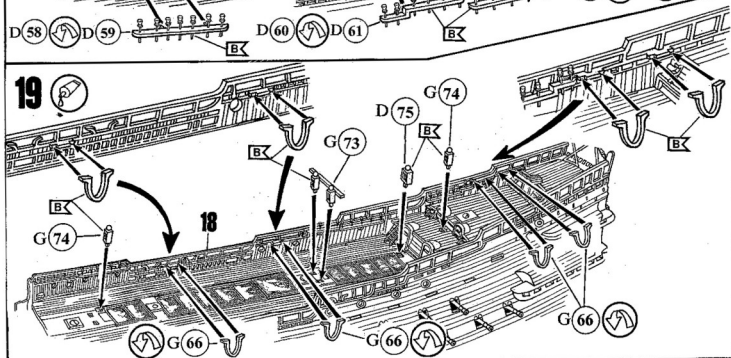
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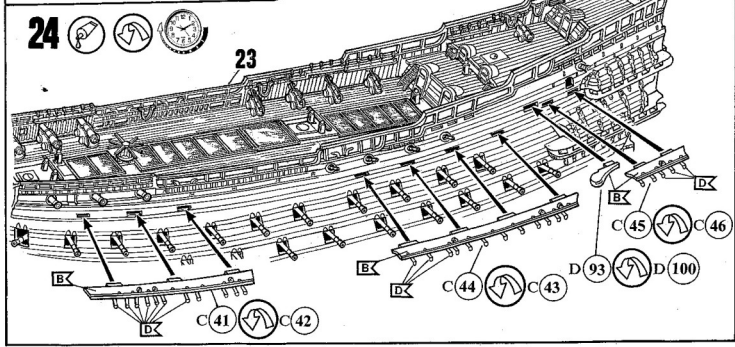
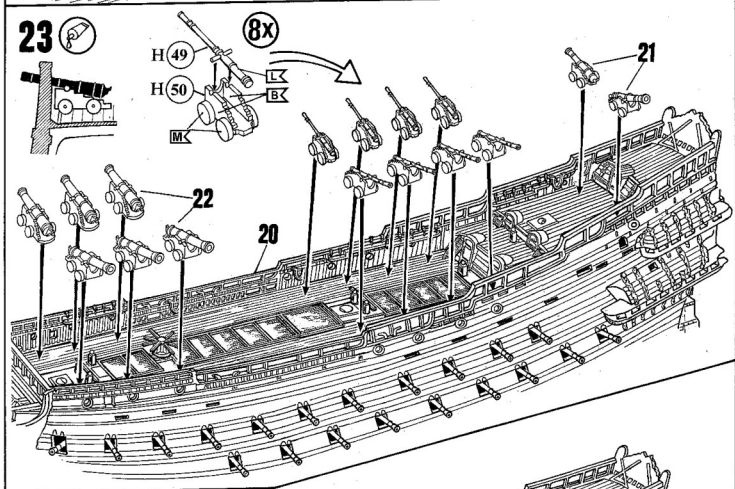
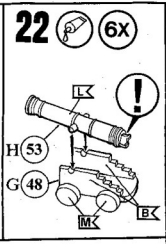
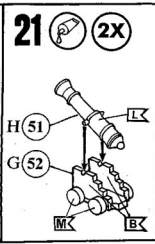
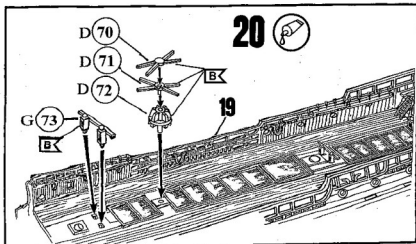


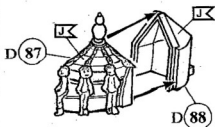
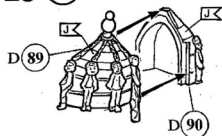
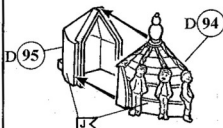
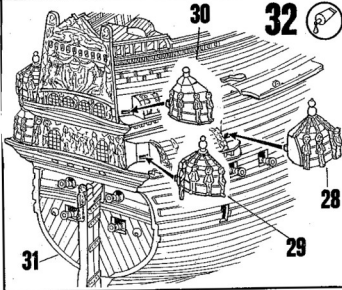
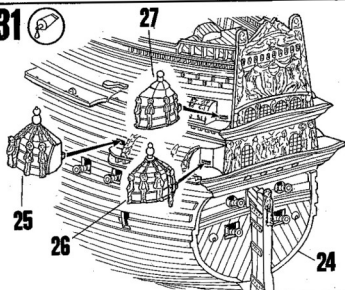



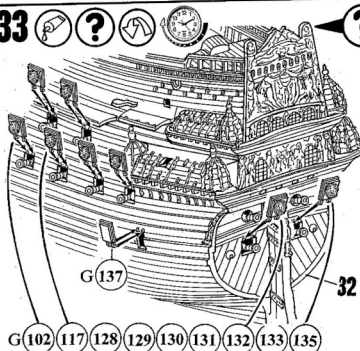

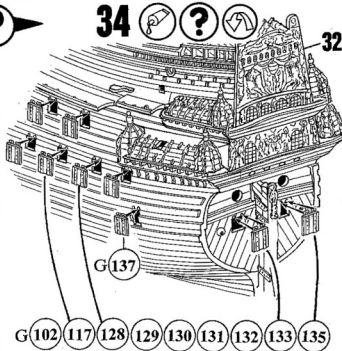
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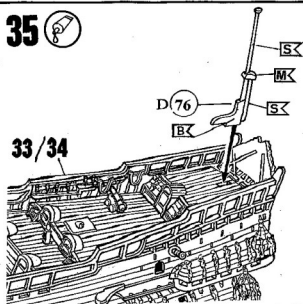




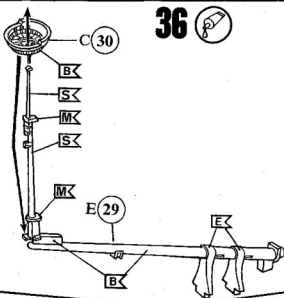
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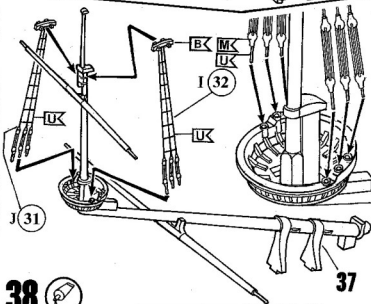
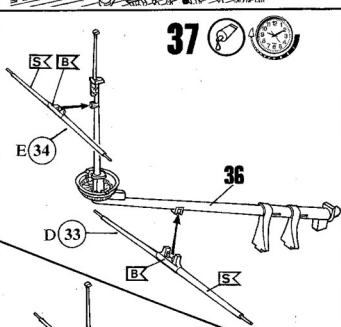
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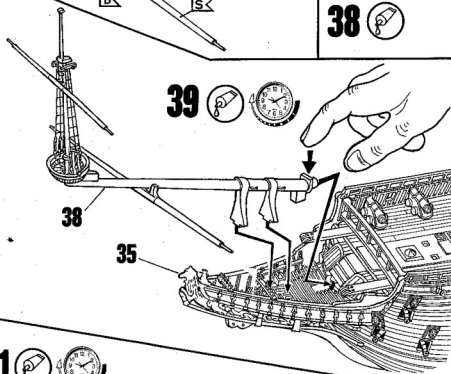


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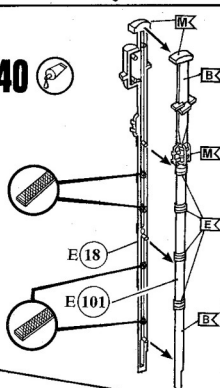


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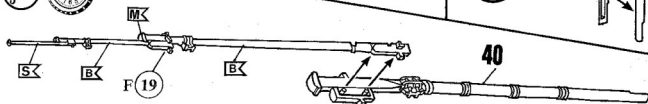
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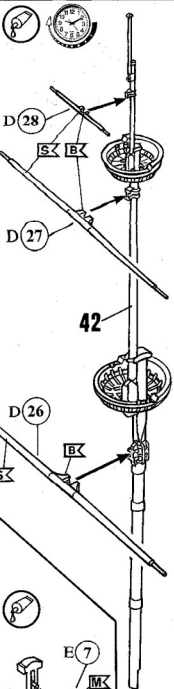
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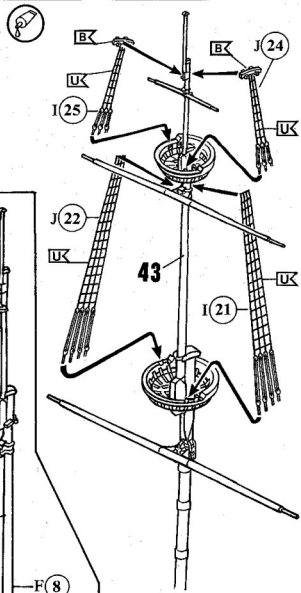
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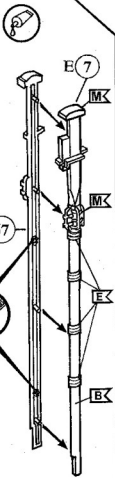
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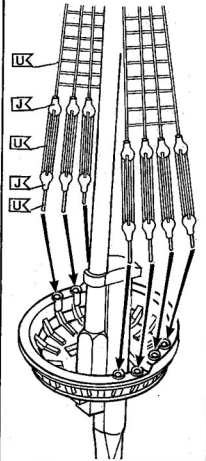
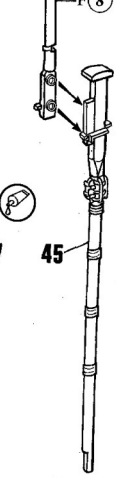
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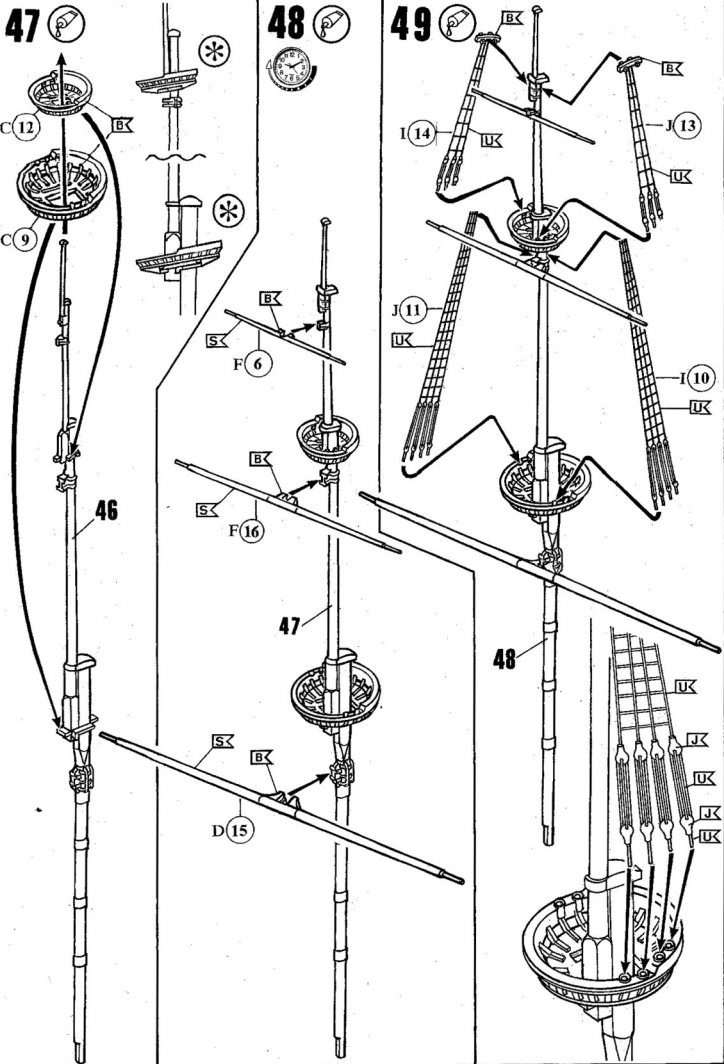


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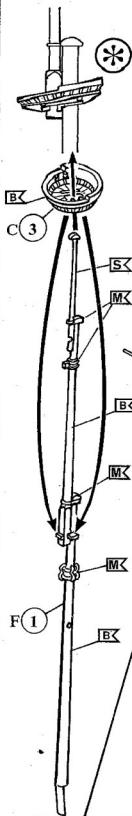


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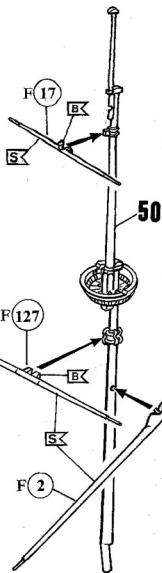




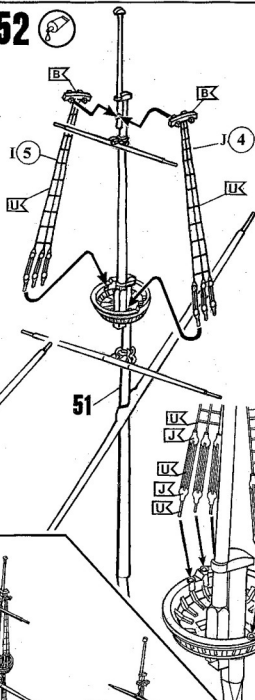
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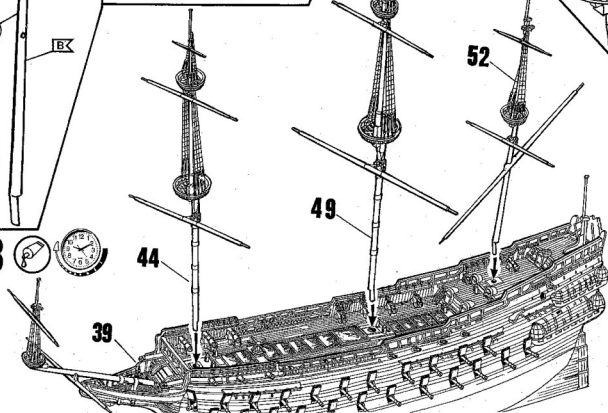
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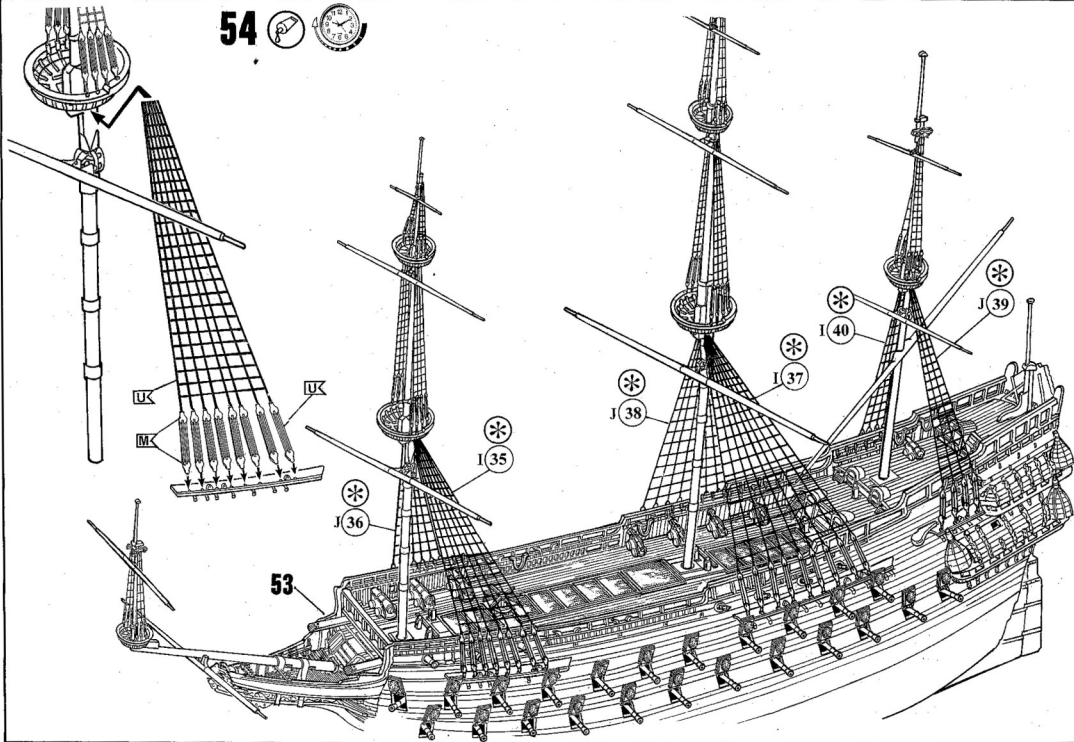
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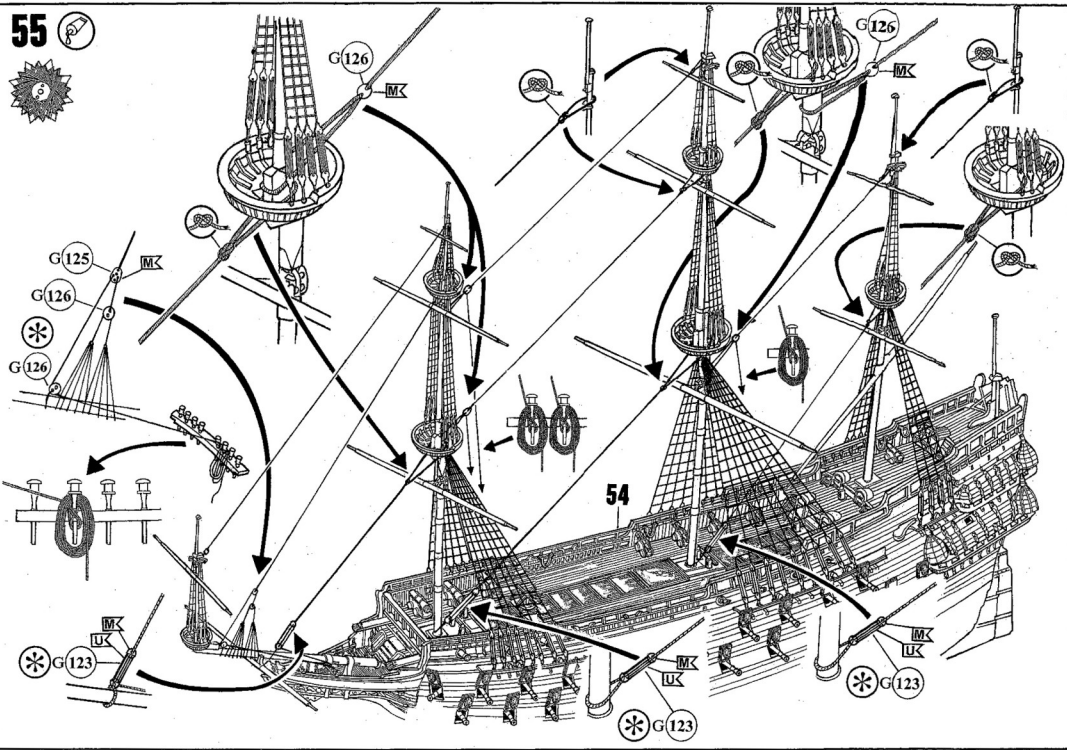
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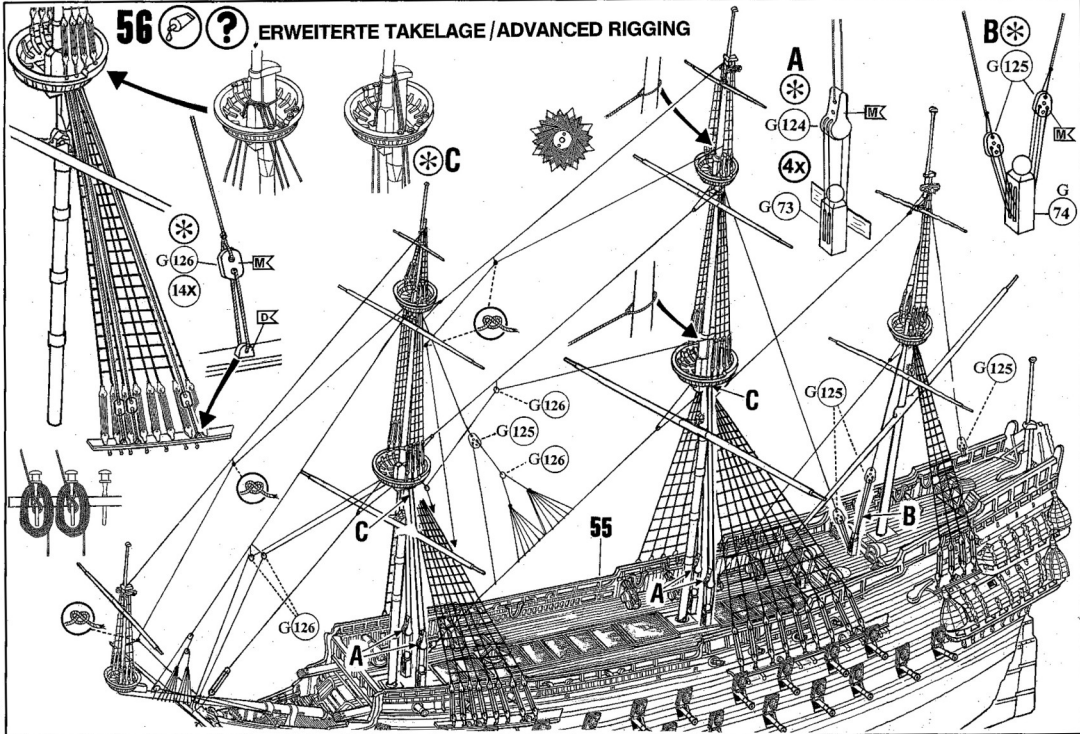
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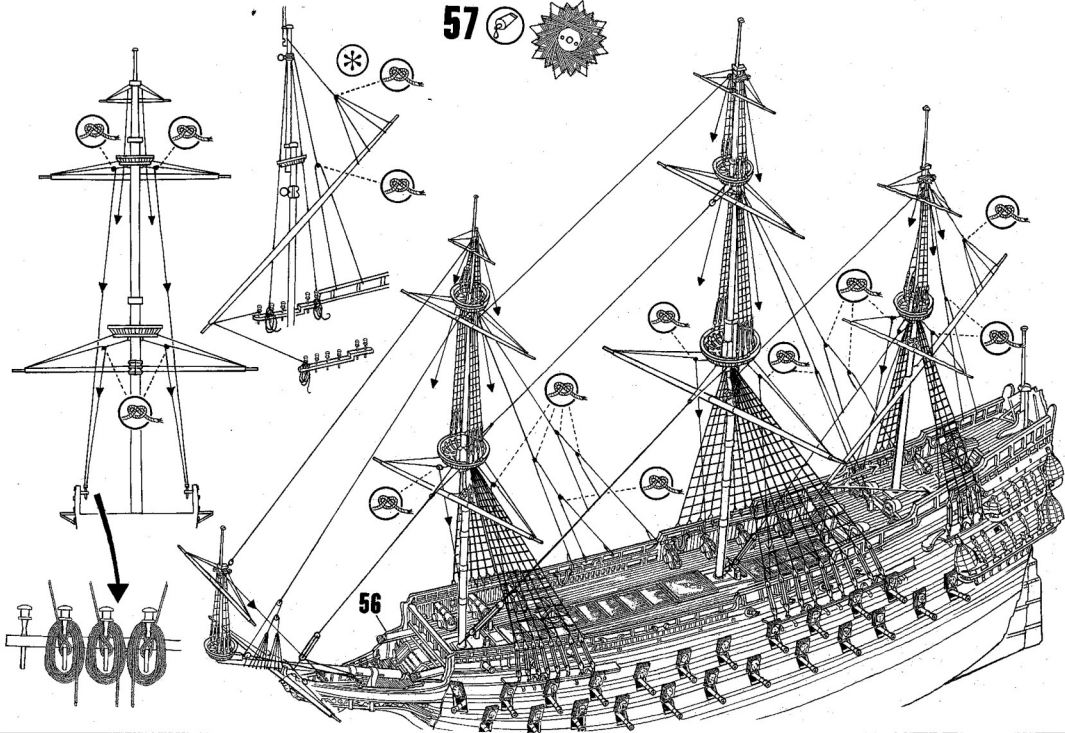
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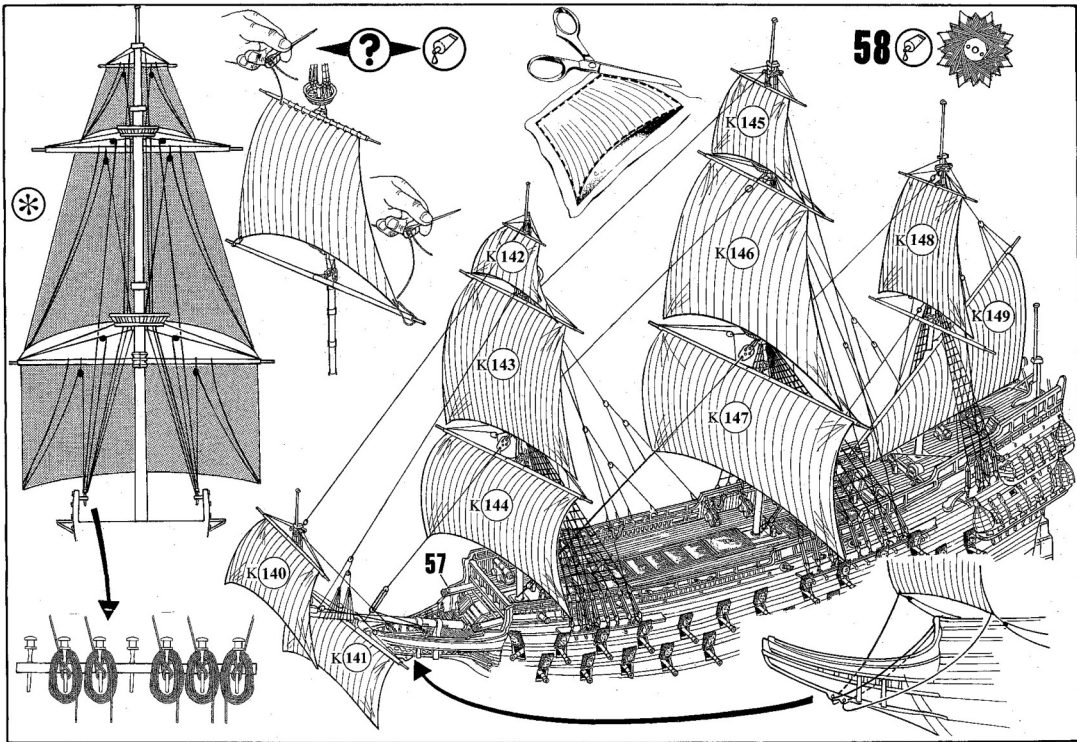


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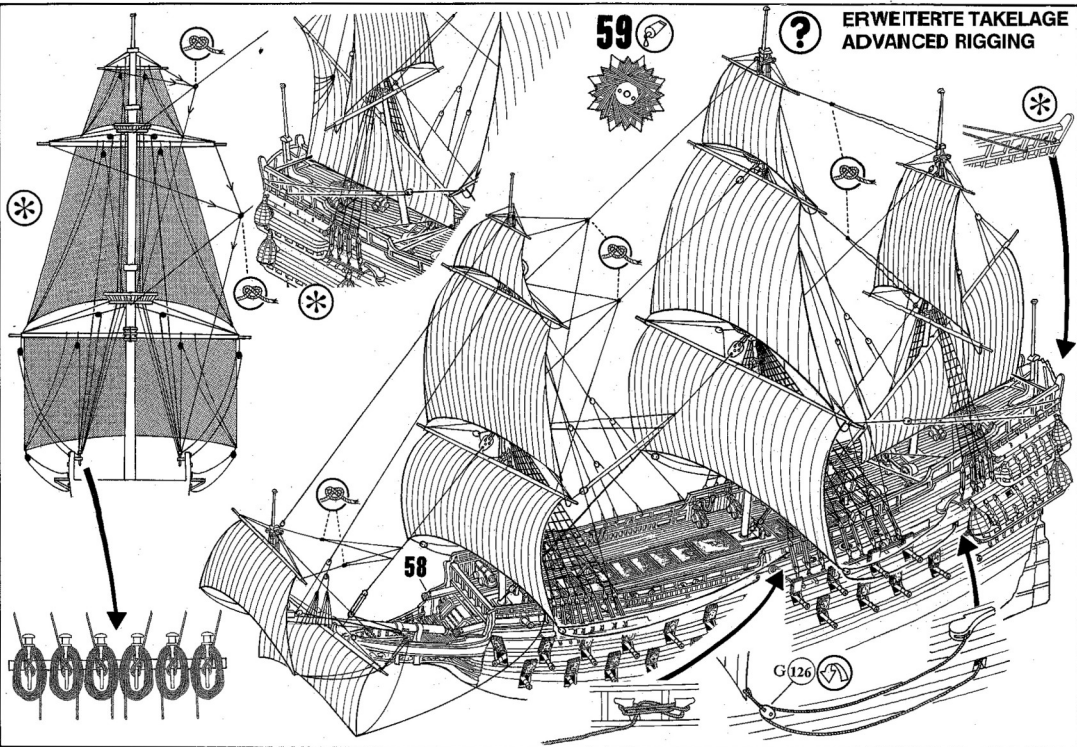


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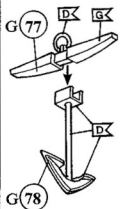




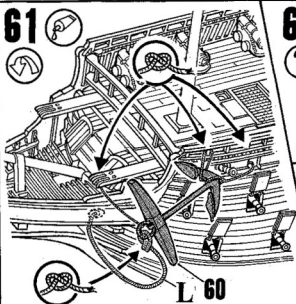
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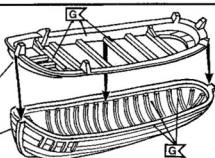


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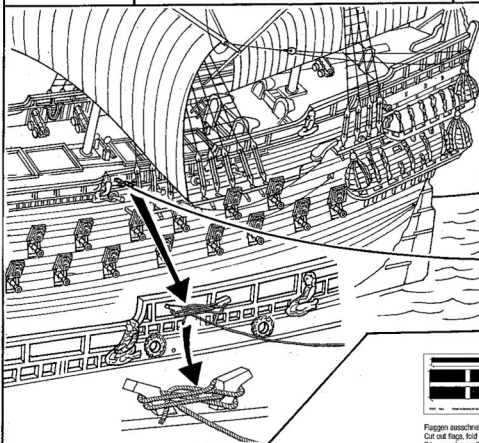
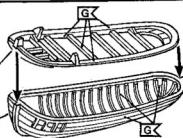


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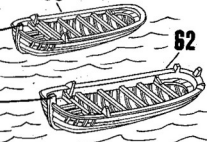
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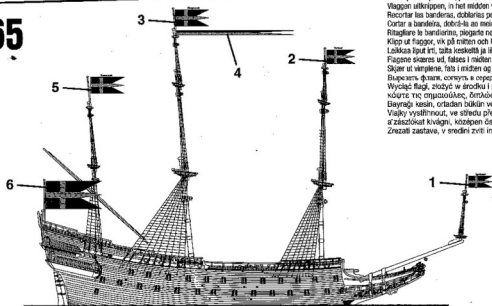
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Flaggen anschnitten, in der Mitte festsitzen und am Faden zusammenkleben
 Cut out flags, fold in the middle and stick together at thread
 Découper les pavillons, plier dans le milieu et coller au niveau du fil
 Vlaggen uitknippen, in het midden vouwen en op de draad aan elkaar lijmen
 Recortar los banderines, doblarlas por la mitad y pegarlas al hilo
 Cortar a bandeira, dobrá-la ao meio e colar ao fio
 Ritagliare le bandierine, piegare nella metà e incollarle sul filo
 Klipp ut flagge, vik på mitten och klämma samman runt tråden
 Lõikake lüpsid äri, süta keskele ja liimta nende ühelele ühtele
 Flagene skæres ud, faldes i midten og limes omkring tråden
 Skjær ut væpene, fald i midten og læt sammen på snora
 Разрезать флажки, сложить в середине и склеить по нитке
 Wytnąć flagi, złożyc w środku i przykleić do nitki
 κόψτε τις σημαούλες, διπλώστε τις στη μέση και κολλήστε τις στην κλωστή
 Bajrağı kesin, ortadan bükün ve ipile yapıştırın
 Valjky vyřezt'nout, ve středu přeložit a na vlásku slepit
 Ažsáčekat kvádrni, kôžepen ôszszehajrtani és a forrálnál ôszszegazsartani
 Zvezati zasztaava, v sredini zvit i zaspleti za nit

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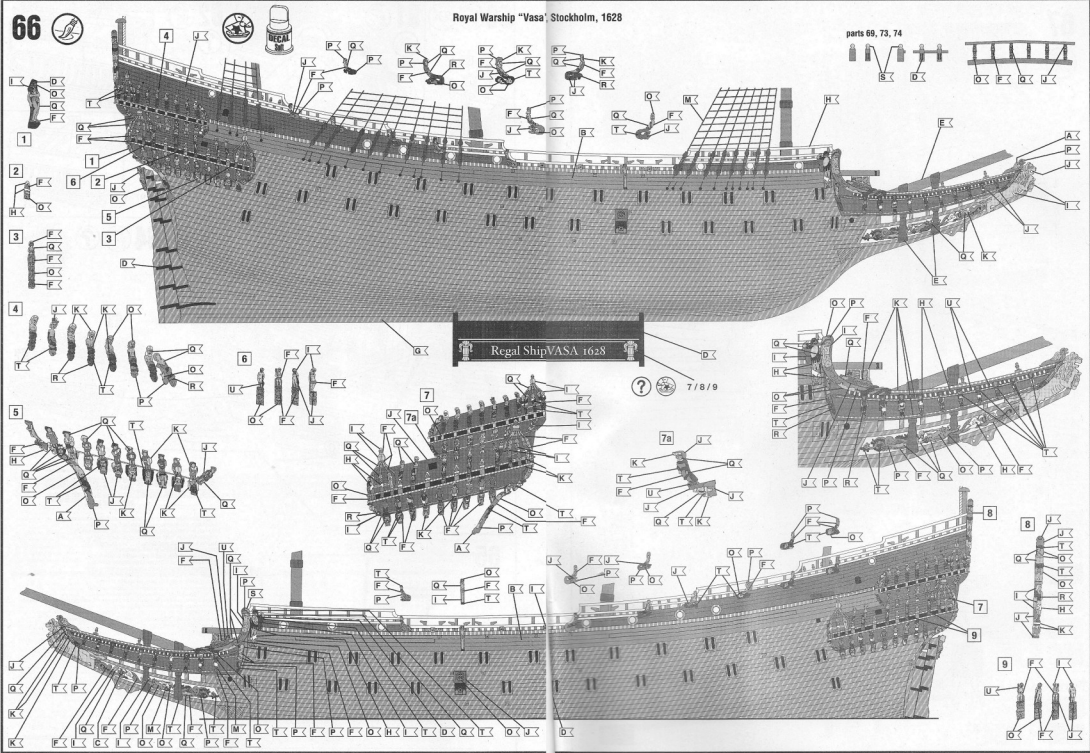


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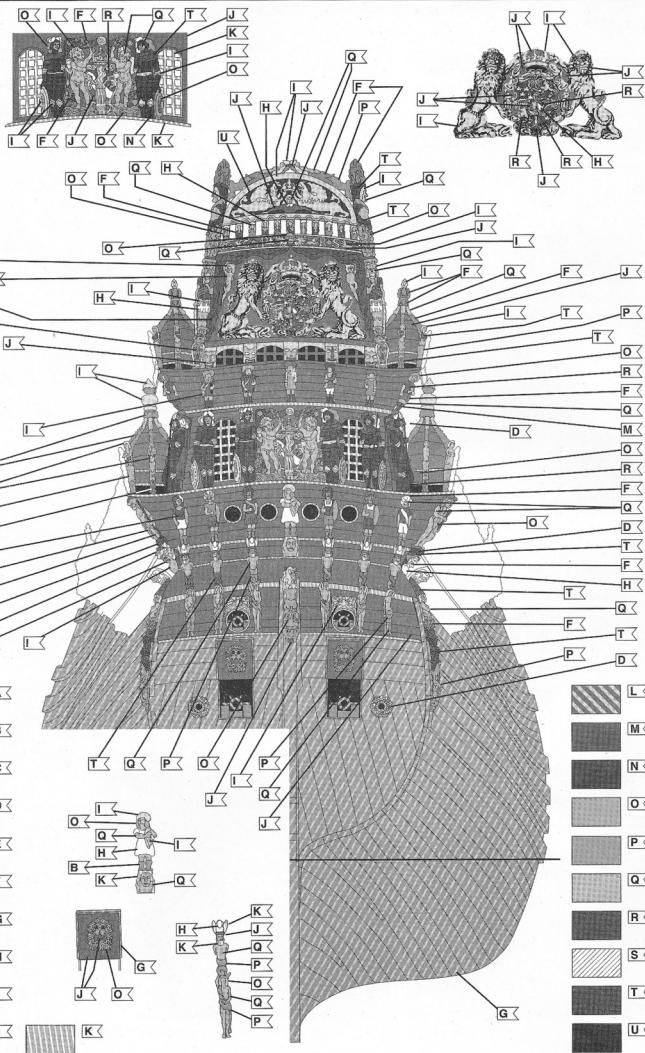


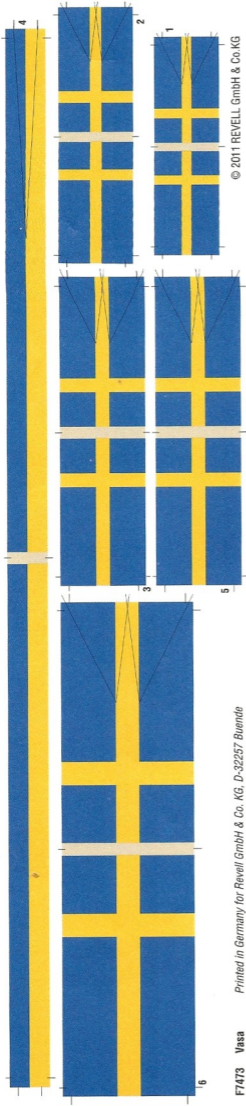
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