

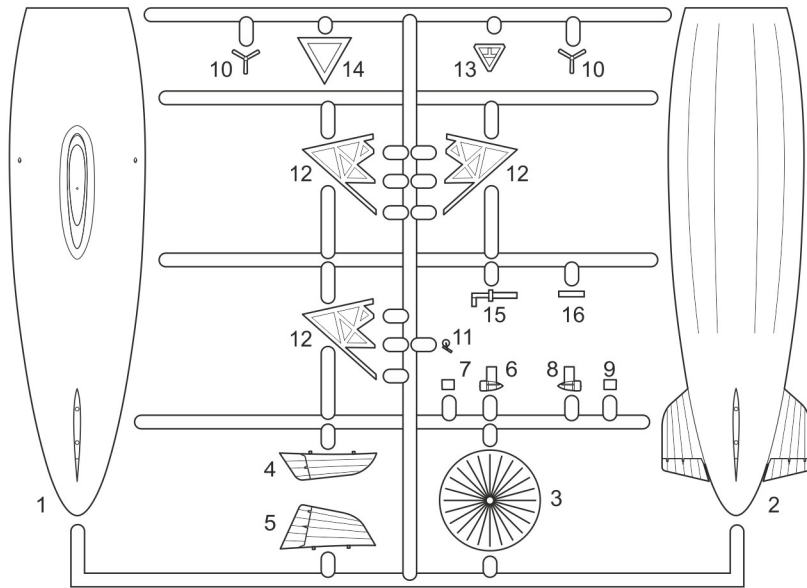
US NAVY K-TYPE BLIMP K-74/K-112/K-134

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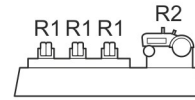
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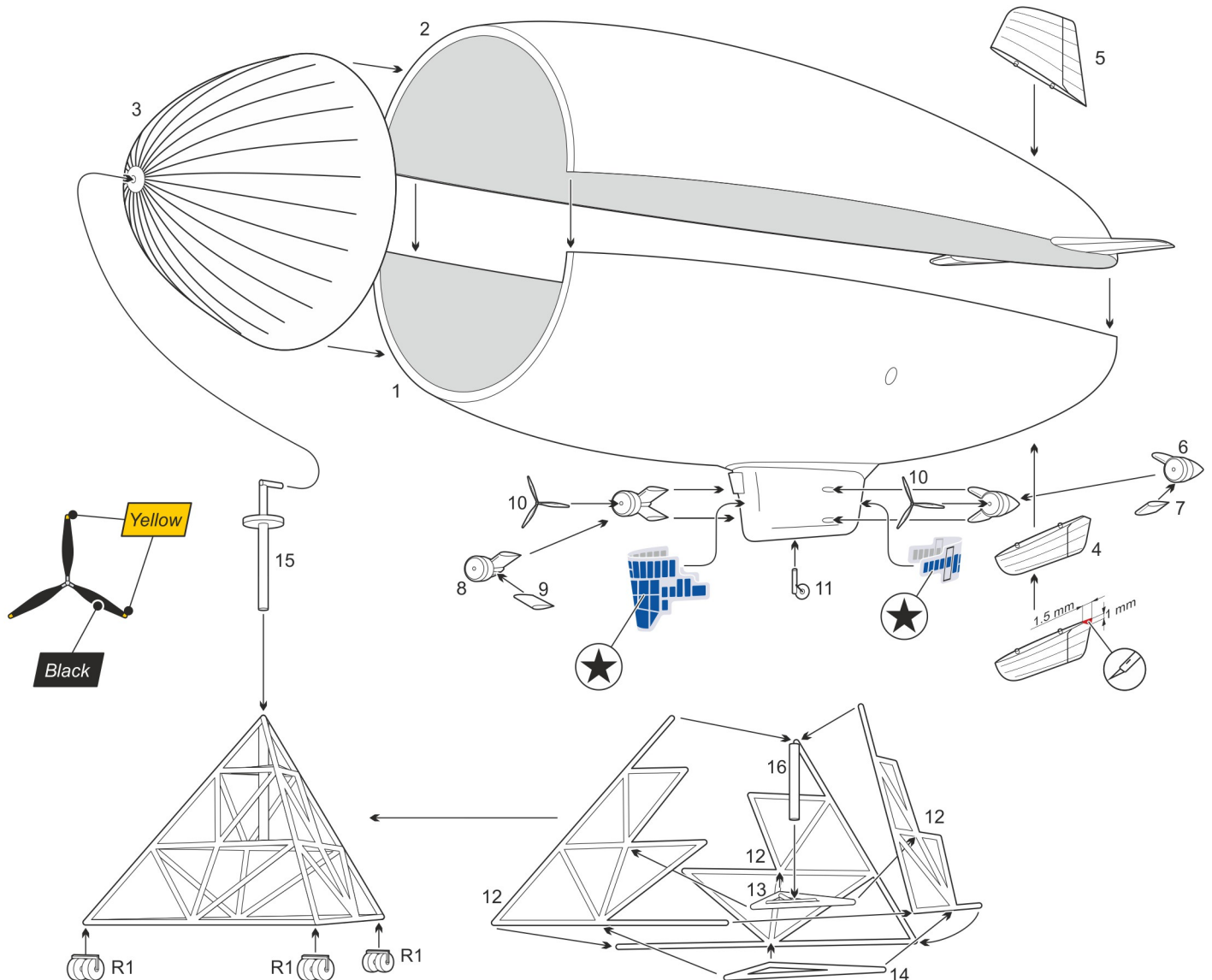
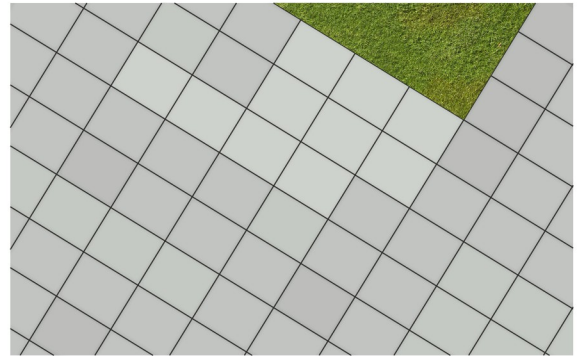


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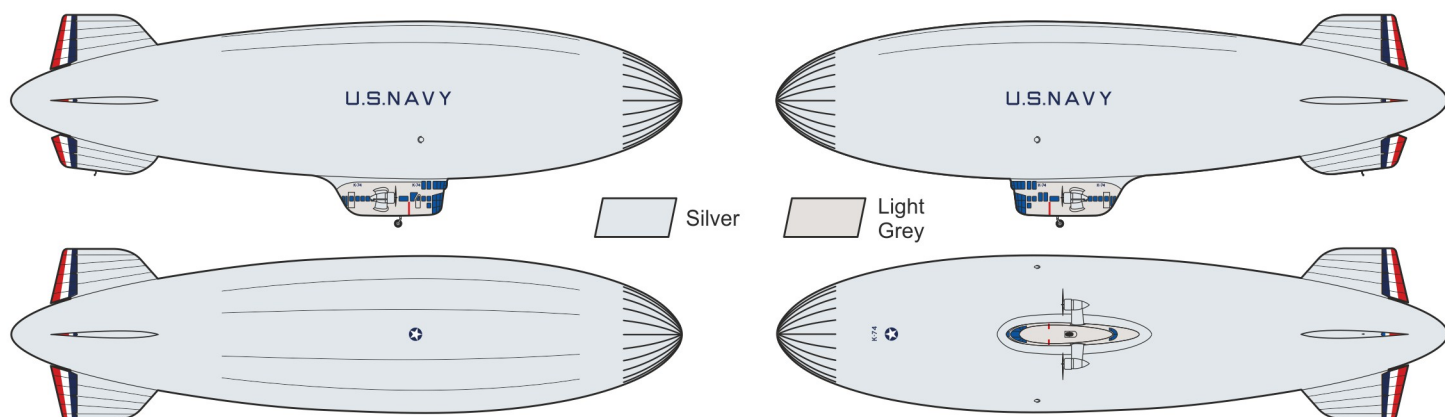


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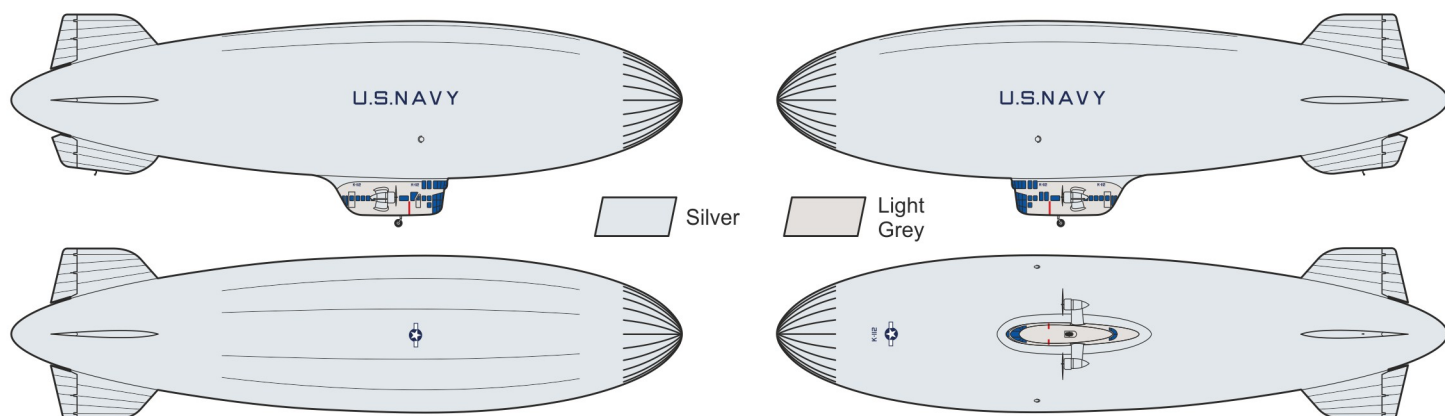
A Goodyear ZNP-K-74 (K-type) Blimp, BuNo 30196, Blue K-74, Airship Patrol Squadron ZP-21/Blimp Squadron ZP-21 (Blimpron 21), Airship Patrol Group 2 (APG 2)/Fleet Airship Wing 2 (FASW 2), Fleet Airships Atlantic (FASA), US Navy, Naval Air Station Richmond, Det. NAS Key West, Florida, U.S.A., June/July 1943.

On 18 July 1943, this airship, under the command of Lt. Nelson Grills, attacked the German submarine U-134, the Type VIIC, off the Straits of Florida. It was shot down by the gunfire of the surfaced U-boat after a depth charge had been dropped but failed to explode. The K-74 was the only Blimp downed by enemy action in World War II.



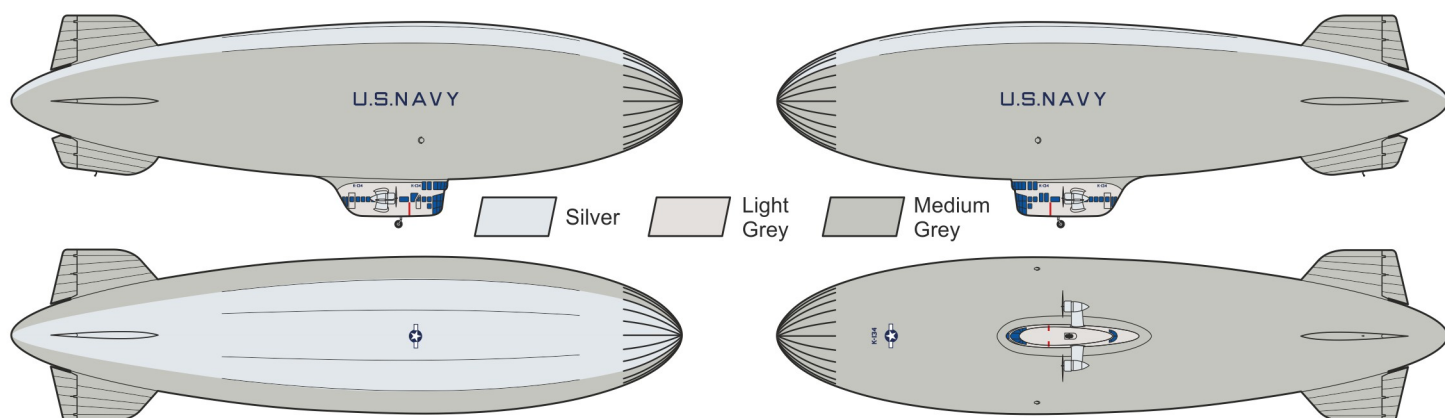
B Goodyear ZNP-K-112 (K-type) Blimp, BuNo 33504, Blue K-112, Blimp Squadron ZP-14 (Blimpron 14, "The Africa Squadron"), Fleet Airship Wing 1 (FASW 1), Fleet Airships Atlantic (FASA), US Navy, Craw Field, Naval Air Station Port Lyautey, French Morocco, North Africa, July 1944 and Cuers-Pierrefeu Naval Air Base (Base d'aéronautique navale, BAN), Var Department, France, September/October 1944.

During the war, the K-112 was the first American airship to land on continental Europe. Commanded by Lt. Emmett J. Sullivan, it made two successful landings at Gibraltar on 18 July 1944.

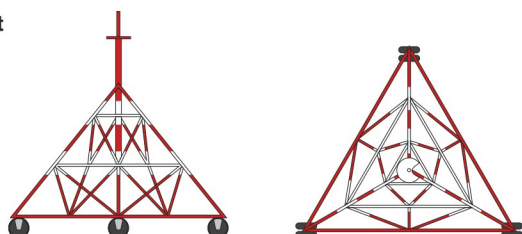


C Goodyear ZNP-K-134 (K-type) Blimp, BuNo not received, Blue K-134, Blimp Squadron ZP-14 (Blimpron 14, "The Africa Squadron"), Fleet Airship Wing 1 (FASW 1), Fleet Airships Atlantic (FASA), US Navy, Craw Field, Naval Air Station Port Lyautey, French Morocco, North Africa, summer 1944 and La Sénia airfield, Oran, Algeria, North Africa, December 1944.

The K-134 was part of a second group of ZP-14 airships ferried from NAS Weeksville to North Africa in mid-June 1944. Together with other five ships it provided routine day barrier flights and night patrols over the Straits of Gibraltar and western Mediterranean. Later, minesweeping operations were also conducted.



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