SEPECAT Jaguar GR.1

The SEPECAT Jaguar was a strike fighter developed jointly by France and Britain in the early 1960s. They have served with the air forces of Britain, France, India and several small countries.

In the 1960s Breguet in France began developing a subsonic trainer and attack fighter and BAC in Britain began work on a supersonic trainer. These two were brought together in 1966 as the Jaguar which first flew on 8 September 1968. They began entering service in 1973 and saw active service in the Gulf and Kosovo Wars with British and French air forces and the Kargil War in Indian service. A total of 543 were manufactured between 1968 and 1981 and the last ones wee retired from servied in 2014.

This model represents a Jaguar GR.1 in service with the RAF during the 1980s.

Data: single seat ground attack and reconnaissance fighter. *Engines* two Rolls Royce Turbomeca Adour afterburning Turbofan engines 3647kg (8040lb) thrust each. *Wing span* 8.69m (28ft 6in). *Length* 15.52m (50ft 11in). *Maximum take-off weight* 15,442kg (34,000lb). *Maximum speed* 1338km/h (8364mph). *Range* 1410km (875miles). *Armament* two 30mm Aden cannon and up to 4534kg (10,000lb) of external stores. *Crew* 1.

Airfix 1:72 kit completed by Leigh Edmonds in February 1990.



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