

# ATR 72

**The ATR 72 is one of the world's most popular regional airliners. It is built jointly by French and Italian aeroplane manufacturing companies and assembled in France. Over 60 airlines were flying this aeroplane at the end of 2006.**

In 1981 Aerospatiale of France and Aeritalia of Italy announced they would collaborate on a new regional airliner to be called the ATR (Avions de Transport Régional/Aerie da Transporta Regionale). The first version was the ATR 42, capable of carrying 42 passengers that first flew in August 1964. The consortium announced an extended version, the ATR 72 (with capacity for 72 passengers) in 1986. The first one flew on 27 October 1988 and they began entering service in October 1989. In September 2006 ATR delivered it's 700's aircraft.

This model represents F-GHPU in service with Brit Air in 2001.

**Data:** *Engine* Two Pratt & Whitney Canada PW124 turboprop engines of 1846kW (2169shp) each. *Wing span* 27.05m (88ft 9in). *Length* 27.17m (89ft 2in). *Maximum take-off weight* 23,000kg (47,400lb). *Cruising speed* 530km/h (284kt). *Range* 1,528km (645miles). *Accommodation* 64-74 passengers.

*F-Rsin* 1/144 kit. Completed in March 2007.



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