

## Dewoitine 338

**The Dewoitine 338 was a long range airliner designed for Air France in the mid 1930s. It was rugged and reliable, opened up French international air routes and established Dewoitine as a successful aircraft manufacturing company**

The Dewoitine 338 was an upgrade of the earlier 333 airliner of 1934. This improved version, that was designed in 1935-36, had retractable undercarriage and a longer fuselage that could accommodate up to 22 passengers on short routes and 12 (with six sleeping berths) on long routes. Air France purchased a total of 31 Dewoitine 338s, using them initially on European routes and then introducing them on its Paris-Dakar route in 1936, Paris-Hanoi route and 1938 and a route to Hong Kong in August 1938. During World War II they were used by Air France and Lufthansa and as troop transports, and eight survived to continue in post-war service.

This model represents F-ARIG flying with Air France in 1938.

**Data:** Inter-war long range airliner. *Engines* three Hispano-Suiza V16/17 radial engines of 485kW each. *Wing span* 29m. *Length* 22.13m. *Take-off weight* 11,150kg. *Maximum speed* 300km/h. *Range* 2,060km. *Crew* 4. *Passengers*, up to 22.

*F-Rsin* 1/144 kit. Completed February 2012.



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