Ilyushin II-62M (Classic)

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A total of 292 II-62s were manufactured, most of them flying in Russia with 80 being exported to 30 countries. They were strong and successful airlines and many remained in front line service into the late 2000s

This model represents an II-62 in service with Cubana in 2003.

Data: Engines four Soloviev D-30KU turbofan engines of 107.9kN thrust each. Wing span 43.20m. Length 53.12m. Maximum takeoff weight 165,000kg. Cruising speed 900km/h. Range 10,000km. Payload 168-186 passengers. Crew 3 to 5.

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