

Curtiss Wright SNC-1

The Curtiss Wright SNC-1 Falcon was a naval version of the Curtiss Wright CW-22. They served as training and observation aircraft with the US Navy and later with several air forces in Latin America.

The Curtiss Wright SNC-1 was a version of the CW-22 two seat trainer and scout aeroplane, developed from the earlier CW-21 light weight fighter. It had a lower power engine than the fighter version and could be used as a trainer or for observation. The first one flew in 1940 and over 440 CW-22s were manufactured. Although they were designed primarily for overseas sale the US Navy ordered 150 which were modified as the SNC-1 to help meet its rapidly expanding training needs after the beginning of the Pacific War. They were withdrawn from Navy service in 1946 but some were passed on to countries in Latin America where they served for a few years.

This model represents a SNC-1 of the Peruvian air force flying for 28 Escuadron de Instruccion on La Palmas airfield in 1946.

Data: training aircraft. *Engines* one Wright R-975-28 Whirlwind radial piston engine of 340kW. *Wing span* 10.67m. *Length* 8.23m. *Gross weight* 1,718kg *Maximum speed* 319km/h. *Range* 1,260km. *Crew* 2.

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