

Caudron 59

The Caudron 59 was a two seat training aircraft designed and built in France in the early 1920s. They were also useful in many other roles so over 1,800 were manufactured and remained in service well into the 1930s.

The Caudron 59 was a conventional training aircraft that made its first flight in August 1921. Extensive testing showed that it was robust with good flying qualities and a reliable engine. It was ordered by the French Aviation Militaire as a two-seat transitional trainer and entered service in 1922. More than 1000 were delivered to the French army and navy in batches between 1922 and 1924 where they served for fifteen years. Many were also delivered to French flying schools and many more were exported to ten different nations including Argentina, Brazil, Finland and Spain. They were still in service towards the end of the 1930s and a number served during the Spanish Civil War.

This model represents a Caudron 59 flying in Manchuria in the 1920s

Data: *Engine* one Hispano-Suize 8A piston engine of 134kW. *Wing span* 10.240m. *Length* 7.8m. *Maximum take-off weight* 988kg. *Maximum speed* 170km/h. *Range* 502km. *Crew* 2.

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