

# CAC CA-25 Winjeel

**The Commonwealth Aircraft Corporation (CAC) CA-25 Winjeel (Young Eagle) was a training aircraft designed and built in Australia in the 1950s. They remained in use as trainers until 1975 and later in other roles.**

The CAC Winjeel was designed to meet a RAAF requirement for a basic trainer. The first of two prototypes first flew in February 1951 and they began entering service in 1955. Sixty-two were manufactured, the final one in August 1957. They remained in service in the training role until 1975 when they were replaced by the PAC CT/4A.

After this a few were used in the Forward Air Control role when they were equipped with smoke bombs for target marking. They were retired from this role in 1994.

Subsequently a number were sold into private ownership and many remain on view in Australian aviation museums.

This model represents Winjeel A85-450 in use by No1 FTS at Point Cook in the 1960s

**Data:** Training aircraft. *Engines* one Pratt & Whitney R-985-AN-2 Wasp Junior nine-cylinder piston engine of 332kW. *Wing span* 11.77m. *Length* 8.55m. *Gross weight* 1,935kg *Maximum speed* 229km/h. *Range* 900km. *Crew* 2 with provision for a third seat.

*High Planes* 1/72 kit completed by Leigh Edmonds in February 2024.



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