FISH TERMINOLOGIES

Aircraft Type Thesaurus

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504

USE AVRO 504

AIR SEA RESCUE

- SN An aircraft engaged in rescuing persons in danger at sea.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY FUNCTION>

AIRCO

- SN Aircraft Manufacturing Co., Ltd. Established in 1912 by Mr G. Holt Thomas. In 1914 secured the services of Capt. Geoffrey de Havilland as designer-in-chief, w ho w ent on to lend his initials to a number of highly successful machines.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT AIRCO DH1
 - AIRCO DH2
 - AIRCO DH4 AIRCO DH5
 - AIRCO DH5
 - AIRCO DH9

AIRCO DH1

- UF Dh1
- SN A single-seat, pusher prop, escort and patrolfighter. Used in the UK in a Home Defence role until superseded in 1917.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BIPLANE AIRCO FIGHTER

AIRCO DH2

- UF Dh2
- SN A single-seat fighter w hich began service w ith the RFC's fighter squadron in 1916. Some shortterm success in dealing w ith new Fokkers but w as w ithdraw n from service in mid-1917.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BIPLANE AIRCO FIGHTER

AIRCO DH4

- UF Dh4
- SN A two-seat, single-engine bomber. Fast, versatile and w ell armed, but w ith a fuel tank poorly placed betw een pilot and gunner, w as considered to be the best day bomber of the First World War. Later entered civil service.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BIPLANE
 - A IRCO BOMBER

AIRCO DH5

- UF Dh5
- SN The DH5 w as an attempt to give a tractor-type fighter a good forw ard view . How ever it suffered from unpleasant flying characteristics and, as a result, had a short service career.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BIPLANE
 - AIRCO FIGHTER

AIRCO DH6

- UF Dh6
- SN Originally designed as a trainer but relegated to use by the RNAS in a Maritime Reconnaissance and anti-submarine role w hen the Avro 504 became the standard trainer.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT RECONNAISSANCE BIPLANE AIRCO

AIRCO DH9

- UF Dh9
- SN Developed from the DH4, featured the pilot and gunner cockpits in closer proximity, but suffered from engine reliability problems. Also know n as the Ninak, saw service from 1918 to 1931.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
 - BIPLANE AIRCO
 - BOMBER

AIRCRAFT < BY FORM>

- SN Aircraft grouped according to their physical form.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- NT AIRSHIP BIPLANE FLY ING BOMB GLIDER LIGHT AIRCRAFT MONOPLANE SEA PLANE TRIPLANE

AIRCRAFT < BY FUNCTION>

- SN Aircraft grouped according to their function.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- NT AIR SEA RESCUE ARMY COOPERATION BOMBER COMMUNICATIONS FIGHTER MINELAYER RECONNAISSANCE TARGET TEST AIRCRAFT TRAINER TRANSPORTER TUG

AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>

- SN Aircraft grouped according to their manufacturer.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- NT AIRCO
 - A IRSPEED A RA DO A RMSTRONG WHITWORTH A V RO BEECH BELL BLA CKBURN BLERIOT BOEING BOULTON PA UL BREWSTER BRISTOL CESSNA

CHANCE VOUGHT

CONSOLIDATED VULTEE CURTISS DE HAVILLAND DORNIER DOUGLAS ENGLISH ELECTRIC FAIRFY FARMAN FELIXSTOWE FIFSFI FR FOCKE WULF FOKKER FOLLAND GENERAL AIRCRAFT GLOSTER GOTHA GRUMMAN HANDLEY PAGE HAWKER HEINKEL JUNKERS LOCKHEED MARTIN MCDONNELL DOUGLAS MESSERSCHMITT MILES NIEUPORT **NOORDUY N** NORTH AMERICAN PERCIVAL REPUBLIC SAUNDERS ROE SHORT SOPWITH STINSON VICKERS ARMSTRONGS WACO WESTLAND

A IRCRAFT MARK

SN Used to identify the variations of an aircraft. Index with Manufacturer, Form and Function.

CL AIRCRAFT TYPE

NT MKI MKIC

> MKIF MKII MKIIA MKIB MKIIC MKIII MKIIIA MKIV MKV **MKVB** MKVI **MKVIC** MKVII MKV III MKX MKXI

MKXII MKXIV MKXVI

AIRCRAFT TYPE

SN Types of aircraft to aid the recording of aircraft remains and crash sites, listing aircraft by form,

function and manufacturer.

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- NT AIRCRAFT <BY FORM> AIRCRAFT <BY FUNCTION> AIRCRAFT <BY MANUFACTURER> AIRCRAFT MARK

AIRSHIP

- SN An aircraft lifted by gas bags, containing hydrogen or helium, but propelled by engines. Also know n as a dirigible balloon, firm and streamlined in shape and incapable of high speeds. Used extensively during World War One.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY FORM>
- NT ZEPPELIN

AIRSPEED

- SN Airspeed (1934) Ltd. registered in 1934 when associated with shipbuilders Sw an, Hunter and Wigham Richardson Ltd.. Acquired by de Havilland in 1940, maintaining ow n identity and changing name to Airspeed Ltd. in 1944.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT COURIER HORSA OXFORD

ALBACORE

- SN A biplane torpedo-bomber designed to be flow n from aircraft carriers. Equipped with foldable wings for ease of storage. Joined Fleet Air Arm service in 1940, intended as a replacement for the Sw ordfish.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT TORPEDO BOMBER BIPLANE FAIREY

ALBEMARLE

- SN Originally designed as a wood and steel bomberreconnaissance aircraft, subsequent variations served as special transports, glider tugs and paratroop carriers. Featured a tricycle-style undercarriage.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT RECONNAISSANCE ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH MONOPLANE BOMBER

ALDERSHOT

- SN A single-engine, heavy, long range, three to fivecrew day bomber. Served only with 99 Squadron RAF, 1924-5.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BIPLANE AVRO BOMBER

ANSON

- SN Tw in-engined monoplane originally designed as a reconnaissance aircraft, but also w idely used as a trainer. Entered RAF service in 1936.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT RECONNAISSANCE MONOPLANE

AVRO

TRAINER

- AR 196
 - SN Single engine, two-crew shipboard reconnaissance and patrol seaplane. Entered service in 1939, this was the last combat floatplane built in Europe.
 - CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
 - BT RECONNAISSANCE
 - FLOATPLANE MONOPLANE ARADO

ARADO

- SN Arado Flugzeugw erke. Formed in 1931 in Germany w hen the aircraft manufacturer Albatros Flugzeugw erke w as declared bankrupt and part of it merged w ith Arado Handells-Gessellschaft.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT AR 196

ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH

- SN Sir W. G. Armstrong Whitw orth Aircraft, Ltd. formed in 1921. Controlled by the Armstrong Siddeley Development Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of the Haw ker Siddeley Aircraft Co., Ltd. from 1935. Pioneers in the development of all-metal aircraft.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT ALBEMARLE ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH FK3 ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH FK8 ATLAS SISKIN WHITLEY

ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH FK3

- UF Fk3
- SN A two-seat, reconnaissance biplane developed from the FK2 with a more pow erful, but heavier, engine. Primarily used for training in the UK.
- CL A IRCRAFT TY PE BT RECONNAISSANC
- 3T RECONNAISSANCE ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH BIPLANE TRAINER

ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH FK8

- UF Fk8
- SN Single-engine, two-seat tractor bomber and reconnaissance aircraft. Entered service in 1916 and, during 1917 and 1918, equipped nine RFC squadrons in its reconnaissance role.
- CL A IRCRAFT TY PE
- BT RECONNAISSANCE ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH BIPLANE BOMBER

ARMY COOPERATION

- SN An aircraft used in the assistance of groundbased military operations.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY FUNCTION>
- NT AUDAX HECTOR

PUSS MOTH

AT7

- SN A tw in engine advanced trainer developed by Beech/ Beechcraft , a US firm, used in WWI
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT MONOPLANE TRAINER
- BEECH

AT8

- SN A tw in engined advanced trainer aircraft developed for the military by the US firm of Cessna
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MONOPLANE TRAINER CESSNA

ATLAS

- SN A two-seat, general purpose biplane. The first to be designed specifically for an Army Cooperation role, it entered service in late 1927. Ended its service as a communications and advanced trainer aircraft.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH BIPLANE

ATTACKER

- SN Single-seat carrierborne jet fighter. Originally conceived as an RAF land-fighter, entered Fleet Air Arm service in 1951 and w as the first jet fighter to be standardised in first-line squadrons.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT SUPERMARINE MONOPLANE FIGHTER

AUDAX

- SN A British two-seater army co-operation aircraft manufactured by Haw ker Aircraft for the Royal Air Force. A Hart variant biplane that first flew in 1931, becoming a prominent British aircraft in the inter-w ar period with over 700 units built.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT HAWKER ARMY COOPERATION BIPLANE

AVRO

- SN A. V. Roe & Co., Ltd. formed in 1909. A subsidiary of the Haw ker Siddeley Aircraft Co., Ltd. from 1935, having formerly been a member of the Siddeley group. Produced such notable aircraft as the Lancaster, the York and the Anson.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY M NT ALDERSHOT ANSON AVRO 504 BISON LANCASTER LINCOLN MANCHESTER TUTOR Y ORK

AVRO 504

- UF 504
- SN An important two-seat, tractor biplane, initially used by the RFC in a reconnaissance role and by the RNAS as a bomber. Later converted to a single-seat Home Defence fighter and ultimately used as a trainer.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BIPLANE AVRO

B17 FLYING FORTRESS

- UF Flying Fortress
- SN American, four-engined, medium/heavy day bomber. Entered service in 1937. The prototype w as nicknamed the Flying Fortress, w hich later became a registered trademark.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT BOEING MONOPLANE HEAVY BOMBER
- **B24 LIBERATOR**
 - UF Liberator
 SN American, four-engined, long range, medium/heavy day bomber. Produced in greater numbers than any other American aircraft during the w ar.
 - CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
 - BT MONOPLANE HEAVY BOMBER CONSOLIDATED VULTEE
 - RT PB4Y LIBERATOR

B25 MITCHELL

- SN American tw in-engined medium bomber and ground-attack aircraft that entered service in 1941. A small number w ere delivered to the RAF under the British designation Mitchell I.
- CL AIRCRAFT TY PE BT NORTH AMERICAN MEDIUM BOMBER MONOPLANE

B26 MARAUDER

- SN American tw in-engined medium bomber. Entered service with the US 22nd Bombardment Group at Langley Field in February 1941. Also served with the 14th and 39th RAF squadrons.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT MARTIN
 - MEDIUM BOMBER MONOPLA NE

B29 SUPERFORTRESS

- UF Superfortress
- SN American, four-engine, long range, heavy strategic bomber. Entered service in 1943 and used exclusively against Japanese forces. The B29s Enola Gay and Bock's Car w ere used to drop atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BOEING MONOPLANE HEAVY BOMBER
- RT F13 SUPERFORTRESS

BARRACUDA

- SN British multi-purpose, single-engined monoplane that served as a torpedo-bomber, dive-bomber, reconnaissance aircraft and in other roles. Equipped w ith folding w ings for use aboard aircraft carriers.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MONOPLANE FAIREY

BATTLE

- SN British three-seat, single-engine light bomber. All metal in construction, this monoplane had a 1000 lb bomb load.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MONOPLANE LIGHT BOMBER FAIREY

BEAUFIGHTER

- SN British two-seat, twin-engined night fighter. Also used for roles such as long-range escort fighter, ground-attack and anti-shipping strike aircraft, bomber, torpedo-carrier and rocket fighter.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MONOPLANE NIGHTFIGHTER BRISTOL

BEAUFORT

- SN Tw in-engined, four-seat torpedo-bomber designed to replace the Vildebeest. Entered service w ith RAF Coastal Command in 1939. Later versions incorporated a remote-controlled machine gun w ith periscope sight.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT TORPEDO BOMBER MONOPLANE BRISTOL

BEECH

- UF Beechcraft
- SN Beech Aircraft Corporation, also know n as Beechcraft, established 1932
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT AT7

Beechcraft

USE BEECH

BELL

- SN Formed in 1935 by Law rence D. Bell, Ray P. Whitman and Robert J. Woods, who left the Consolidated Aircraft Corporation when it moved its factory from Buffalo to San Diego. Subcontracted w ork before its first original design, the XFM-1, in 1937.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT P39 AIRACOBRA

BERMUDA

- UF Sb2a Buccaneer
- SN Originally ordered as land based dive-bombers, with 950 being delivered to the RAF, none are know n to have flow n operationally, instead apparently serving as target tugs. Bermuda was

the name given to the Brew ster SB2A Buccaneer in RAF service.

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT TARGET TUG MONOPLANE BREWSTER

Bf109

USE ME109

Bf110

USE ME110

BIPLANE

- SN An aeroplane w ith two w ings, or planes, placed one above the other either side of the fuselage.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY FORM>
- NT AIRCO DH1 AIRCO DH2

AIRCO DH4 AIRCO DH5 AIRCO DH6 AIRCO DH9 ALBACORE ALDERSHOT ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH FK3

ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH FK8 ATLAS AUDAX AVRO 504 BISON BLERIOT 155 BRISTOL F2B BULLDOG

CAMEL DE HAVILLAND DH18B F60 GOLIATH FAWN FELIXSTOWE F5 GLADIATOR GLOSTER II GOTHA GV

GREBE

HE59 HECTOR IRIS NIEUPORT DELAGE NID 30 QUEEN BEE SEAL SHARK SISKIN SNIPE SOUTHAMPTON

STRANRAER

SWORDFISH TIGER MOTH TUTOR V1500 VIMY VIRGINIA W10

WALRUS

BISON

SN A biplane, reconnaissance aircraft with a crew of 3 or 4 w hich equipped 3 and 22 squadrons RAF before passing to the Fleet Air Arm. Produced in two variants.

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT RECONNAISSANCE BIPLANE AVRO

BLACKBURN

- SN Blackburn Aircraft, Ltd., founded by Robert Blackburn, w ho produced his first aircraft in 1910. Specialised in the production of torpedocarrying aircraft.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT BOTHA FIREBRAND IRIS ROC SHARK SKUA

BLENHEIM

- SN British tw in-engined light/medium bomber developed from the model 142 civil transport. Noted for its speed, this three-crew monoplane had an all-metal, stressed skin structure and a 1000lb bomb load.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MEDIUM BOMBER MONOPLANE BRISTOL

BLERIOT

- UF Bleriot Aeronautique
- SN A French aircraft manufacturer founded by Louis Bleriot and Gabriel Voisin, both aviators and inventors, in 1903, dissolved in 1906. After World War I Bleriot founded Bleriot Aeronautique developing commercial aircraft.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT BLERIOT 155

BLERIOT 155

- SN A French airliner produced in 1925. A fourengined biplane developed from the Bleriot 115 and 135 but larger than these. Tw o w ere built for Air Union (the Paris-London route). Both crashed with fatalaties in 1926 (Kent).
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BIPLANE BLERIOT TRANSPORTER
- Bleriot Aeronautique

USE BLERIOT

BOEING

- SN The Boeing Aircraft Company, established 1916. A subsidiary of The Boeing Airplane Company. Notable aircraft produced include the B17 Flying Fortress and the B29 Superfortress.
- CL A IRCRAFT TY PE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT B17 FLYING FORTRESS B29 SUPERFORTRESS F13 SUPERFORTRESS

BOMBER

SN A large, pow erful aircraft, usually with two or

more engines, designed to carry a payload of bombs.

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY FUNCTION>
- NT AIRCO DH4
 - AIRCO DH9 ALBEMARLE
 - ALDERSHOT
 - ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH FK8

BOSTON

DO17

- DO217
- FIGHTER BOMBER
- FW200
- GORDON
- HEAVY BOMBER
- HUDSON
- JU87
- LIGHT BOMBER
 - MEDIUM BOMBER
 - TORPEDO BOMBER
 - VENTURA
- VIRGINIA

BOSTON

- SN American A-20 tw in-engined, light, day bomber. Some supplied to the RAF and know n as the Boston I. Subsequent variations adapted to night flying and re-christened the Havoc.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT DOUGLAS
 - I DOUGLAS MONOPLANE
 - BOMBER
- RT HAVOC

BOTHA

- SN Four-crew, tw in-engined monoplane designed as a torpedo-bomber and reconnaissance aircraft for RAF Coastal Command. Withdraw n from operations in November 1940 and dow ngraded to a trainer.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT TORPEDO BOMBER RECONNAISSANCE BLACKBURN MONOPLANE TRAINER

BOULTON PAUL

- SN Boulton Paul Aircraft, Ltd., formed in 1934 to take over the Aircraft Department of Boulton & Paul, Ltd.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT DEFIANT

BREWSTER

- SN The Brew ster Aeronautical Corporation w as founded in 1932, taking over the plant, equipment, designs and goodw ill of Brew ster & Co., Inc.'s aircraft division. Initially manufacturing seaplane components, later designed and produced complete aircraft.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT BERMUDA BUFFALO

BRISTOL

- SN The Bristol Aeroplane Co., Ltd.. Founded in 1910 by Sir George White, a pioneer of electric tramw ays. The company had previously been The British and Colonial Aeroplane Co., Ltd..
 CI AIPCPAET TYPE
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT BEAUFIGHTER BEAUFORT BLENHEIM BRISTOL F2B BULLDOG

BRISTOL F2B

- UF F2b
- SN Highly successful, two-seat, biplane fighter and reconnaissance aircraft with both forw ard and rear facing guns. Designed to replace the BE2, it entered service with the RFC in mid-1917 and remained in service until 1932.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT RECONNAISSANCE BIPLANE BRISTOL FIGHTER

BUFFALO

- SN American, all-metal-construction, fighter. Entered service in 1941. 209 w ere delivered to RAF/FAA, most of w hich w ere used in the Far East.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MONOPLANE BREWSTER FIGHTER

BULLDOG

- SN A single-seat, biplane fighter. One of the last open cockpit types to see w idespread service w ith the RAF, equipping 10 squadrons and, at one point, 70% of the Home Defence fighter force.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BIPLANE BRISTOL FIGHTER
- C47 Skytrain
- USE DAKOTA
- C53 Skytrooper
- USE DAKOTA

CAMEL

- SN Single-seat, single-engine fighter biplane renow ned for its high performance and manoeuvrability. Entered service in 1917.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BIPLANE SOPWITH
- FIGHTER
- RT SNIPE

CATALINA

SN American-built, tw in-engined flying-boat designed for maritime patrol and reconnaissance. Entered US Naval service in 1936 as the PBY-1; christened the Catalina by the RAF, w ho used it from 1939 on.

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT FLYING BOAT RECONNAISSANCE CONSOLIDATED MONOPLANE

CESSNA

- SN A US aircraft manufacturer. The Cessna Aircraft Co Inc w as established in 1927
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT AT8

CG4A HADRIAN

- UF Haig
- SN American troop and supply-glider constructed from steel tube and fabric-covered w ood, w ith a hinged nose to allow loading and unloading of troops or light vehicles. Also know n as the Haig, this w as the only US glider to see combat service.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MONOPLANE TRANSPORTER WACO
 - GLIDER

CHANCE VOUGHT

- SN Chance Vought Division of the United Aircraft Corporation. Was reconstituted as a separate division in 1943, after being part of the Vought-Sikorsky division, to concentrate on the production of combat aircraft.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT CORSAIR

COMMUNICATIONS

- SN An aircraft used to facilitate communications, for example in a military context.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY FUNCTION>
- NT LEOPARD MOTH
- PUSS MOTH

Condor

USE **FW200**

CONSOLIDATED

- SN The Consolidated Aircraft Corporation. In 1943 merged with Vultee Aircraft, Inc. to form the Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT CONSOLIDATED VULTEE
- NT CATALINA PB4Y LIBERATOR

CONSOLIDATED VULTEE

- SN The Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation. Formed in 1943 with the merging of The Consolidated Aircraft Corporation and Vultee Aircraft, Inc..
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT B24 LIBERATOR CONSOLIDATED VULTEE

CORSAIR

- SN Single-engine, single-seat fighter. Entered service in 1943 as a land-based fighter. Converted to a carrierborne fighter in 1944 for use by US Navy and Fleet Air Arm. Mostly saw action in the Pacific and Far East.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MONOPLANE CHANCE VOUGHT FIGHTER

COURIER

- SN A British six-seat single-engined light aircraft, built by Airspeed Limited. First flew in 1933, saw some use as an airliner. The first British type with a retractable undercarriage. Designed by Hessell Tiltman (co-founder). 16 Couriers built.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT LIGHT AIRCRAFT MONOPLANE AIRSPEED TRANSPORTER

CURTISS

- SN The Curtiss-Wright Corporation, Airplane Division, established in 1910. Notable aircraft produced include the Kittyhaw k.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT KITTYHAWK

DAKOTA

- UF C47 Skytrain C53 Skytrooper
- SN Also know n as the C-47 Skytrain, this tw inengined, military transport w as developed from the DC-3 tw enty-eight-seat commercial airliner and w as the most extensively employed transport of the Second World War.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT DOUGLAS MONOPLANE TRANSPORTER

DE HAVILLAND

- SN The de Havilland Aircraft Co., Ltd., founded in 1920 by Sir Geoffrey de Havilland, C.B.E., A.F.C., F.R.Ae.S. Originally developers of commercial aircraft, w ere responsible for such notable w artime aircraft as the Mosquito and the Tiger Moth.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT DE HAVILLAND DH18B FLAMINGO L20A BEAVER LEOPARD MOTH MOSQUITO PUSS MOTH QUEEN BEE TIGER MOTH VAMPIRE

DE HAVILLAND DH18B

- UF Dh18b
- SN Large, single-engine, eight passenger airliner biplane.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BIPLANE

DE HAVILLAND TRANSPORTER

DEFIANT

- SN British single-engine, tw o-seat night fighter. Originally intended as a day fighter, but w ithdraw n and converted in August 1940, this w as the first fighter to incorporate a pow erdriven gun turret.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT MONOPLANE
- NIGHTFIGHTER BOULTON PAUL

Dh1

USE AIRCO DH1

Dh18b

USE DE HAVILLAND DH18B

Dh2

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USE AIRCO DH2
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Dh4

USE AIRCO DH4

Dh5

USE AIRCO DH5

Dh6

USE AIRCO DH6

Dh9

USE AIRCO DH9

DIVE BOMBER

- SN A fighter-bomber designed to deploy its bombs during the latter stage of a diving manoeuvre, thus increasing the accuracy of its targetting.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT FIGHTER BOMBER
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DO17

- UF Do215
- Pencil Bomber
- SN A streamlined, tw in-engined bomber, the DO17 entered service in 1937 with the Condor Legion, having started life as a high-speed mail and passenger transport aircraft, a role for w hich it w as ill-suited due to the narrow ness of the fuselage.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT DORNIER MONOPLANE BOMBER

DO18

- SN German single-engine, four-seat maritime patrol and reconnaissance flying-boat. In production betw een 1934 and 1940, the DO18 w as replaced by the three engined DO24.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT FLYING BOAT
- BT FLYING BOAT RECONNAISSANCE DORNIER MONOPLANE

Do215

USE DO17

SN Export version of the DO17.

DO217

- SN A progressive development of the DO17, the tw in-engined DO217 entered service in 1941. The DO217 saw service as a bomber over the UK and took part in the 'Baedecker' raids of 1942.
 CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT DORNIER MONOPLANE BOMBER

DO24

- SN German three-engined air/sea rescue and transport flying boat. Entered service in 1940 as a replacement for the DO18.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- 3T FLYING BOAT DORNIER MONOPLANE TRANSPORTER

Doodlebug

USE V1

DORNIER

- SN Originally the Zeppelin Werk Lindau G.m.b.H., developed metal aircraft from World War One under the guidance of Dr. Ing. Claude Dornier, changing its name to Dornier-Werke G.m.b.H. in 1922.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT DO17 DO18 DO217 DO24

DOUGLAS

- SN The Douglas Aircraft Company, Inc., established in 1920, reorganized in 1928. Produced such notable aircraft as the Dakota.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT BOSTON DAKOTA HAVOC INVADER

ENGLISH ELECTRIC

- SN The English Electric Company Limited. Formed in 1918, but didn't move into aircraft production until 1938, at the Government's request. Continued to develop aircraft after the w ar and in 1948 produced the `Canberra', Britain's first jetpropelled bomber.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT LIGHTNING

F13 SUPERFORTRESS

- SN A photo- reconnaissance variant of the Boeing Superfortress, used from 1944, initally deployed in the Pacific w ar, later for Cold w ar duties over Europe.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BOEING PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE

MONOPLANE

- RT B29 SUPERFORTRESS
- F2b

USE BRISTOL F2B

F4 PHANTOM

- SN A tandem tw o-seat, tw in-engined, all-w eather, long-range supersonic jet interceptor fighter/fighter-bomber originally developed for the United States Navy by McDonnell Aircraft.It first entered service in 1960 with the U.S. Navy.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MONOPLANE MCDONNELL DOUGLAS FIGHTER

F4F WILDCAT

- UF Martlet
- SN American, single-engine fighter designed for operation from US Naval aircraft carriers. Produced betw een 1940 and 1945, Wildcats provided to the British Fleet Air Arm w ere renamed Martlets.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT GRUMMAN MONOPLANE FIGHTER
- RT F6F HELLCAT

F5

USE FELIXSTOWE F5

F60 GOLIATH

- SN A civil passenger transport biplane produced by the Farman Aviation Works from 1919.
 Instrumental in the creation of early airlines and commercial routes in Europe after World War I.
 Initially designed in 1918 as a heavy bomber.
 Some 60 units built.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BIPLANE TRANSPORTER FARMAN

F6F HELLCAT

- SN American, single-engine fighter designed for operation from US Naval aircraft carriers. The Hellcat w as a more pow erful version of the Wildcat, a total of 1000 being provided to the Fleet Air Arm under Lend-Lease.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT GRUMMAN
- MONOPLANE FIGHTER
- RT F4F WILDCAT

F84 THUNDERJET

- SN An American turbojet fighter-bomber aircraft. The F-84 w as the first production fighter aircraft to utilize in-flight refuelling and the first fighter capable of carrying a nuclear w eapon. Designed by Alexander Kartveli, 1946.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT REPUBLIC
 - MONOPLANE FIGHTER BOMBER

F86 SABRE

- UF Sabrejet
- SN A transonic jet fighter, first introduced by North American Aviation in 1947. Best know n as the United States's first sw ept w ing fighter. Total production at 9,860 units. Important fighter aircraft in the Korean War. Retired in 1994 (Bolivia).
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT NORTH AMERICAN MONOPLANE FIGHTER

FAIREY

- SN The Fairey Aviation Co. Ltd., established 1916 by Sir Richard Fairey. During WW2 formed a group production scheme with Blackburn Aircraft, Ltd. and Boulton Paul Aircraft, Ltd..
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT ALBACORE BARRACUDA BATTLE FAWN FIREFLY FULMAR GORDON
 - SEAL SWORDFISH

FARMAN

- SN Farman Aviation Works was an aircraft company founded and run by the brothers Richard, Henri, and Maurice Farman in 1908. The firm made pusher biplane aircraft for military and training purposes, it was eventually dissolved in 1956.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT F60 GOLIATH

FAWN

- SN British, single-engined, light day bomber biplane. Built in 1923, this w as the RAF's first interbellum designed day bomber.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT BIPLANE LIGHT BOMBER FAIREY

FELIXSTOWE

- SN Marine Aircraft Experimental Establishment, RAF Felixstow e. Developed seaplanes and flying boats until World War Tw o, when the establishment moved to Helensburg, Scotland.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT FELIXSTOWE F5

FELIXSTOWE F5

- UF F5
- SN Four-crew, tw in-engined, general reconnaissance flying-boat. Entered service after World War One, becoming the RAF's standard flying-boat until replaced by the Supermarine Southampton in 1925.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT FLYING BOAT RECONNAISSANCE

BIPLANE FELIXSTOWE

FI 103

UF Fieseler Fi103

- SN The Fi 103 is the more technical nomenclature for the Second World War German V1 flying bomb, produced by Fieseler. Multiple index together w ith Fieseler and flying bomb for maximum chance of retrieval for users.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT V1
- FIESELER

FIESELER

- SN A German aircraft manufacturer of the 1930s and 1940s, pre-war the company were noted for making sailplanes and sports planes; during the Second World War they made military aircraft including flying bombs.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER> NT FI 103

Fieseler Fi103

USE FI 103

FIGHTER

- SN A light, high-speed aircraft designed to engage in aerial combat.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY FUNCTION>

NT AIRCO DH1

AIRCO DH2 AIRCO DH5 ATTACKER BRISTOL F2B BUFFALO BULLDOG CAMEL CORSAIR F4 PHANTOM F4F WILDCAT F6F HELLCAT F86 SABRE FIGHTER BOMBER **FIREBRAND** FIREFLY **FULMAR** GLADIATOR GREBE **HURRICANE** JAVELIN LIGHTNING ME109 METEOR NIGHTFIGHTER P51 MUSTANG ROC **SEAFIRE** SEAL SISKIN SNIPE SPITFIRF VAMPIRE

FIGHTER BOMBER

SN A light, high speed aircraft designed to engage in

aerial combat and also equipped to carry bombs.

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT FIGHTER
- BOMBER
- NT DIVE BOMBER F84 THUNDERJET FW190 KITTY HAWK ME210 P38 LIGHTNING P39 AIRACOBRA P47 THUNDERBOLT SKUA TEMPEST TY PHOON WHIRLWIND

FIREBRAND

- SN Fleet Air Arm fighter and torpedo-bomber, designed for operation from aircraft carriers. Allmetal in construction, it entered service in 1944 and w as rendered obsolete after the w ar by the advent of the jet aircraft.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT TORPEDO BOMBER MONOPLANE BLACKBURN FIGHTER

FIREFLY

- SN A single-engine, photo-reconnaissance fighter designed for operation from aircraft carriers. Later adapted as a night fighter, it entered service in 1943 and remained in production until 1956.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE MONOPLANE FIGHTER FAIREY

Fk3

USE ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH FK3

Fk8

USE ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH FK8

FLAMINGO

- SN Impressed civil, tw in-engined airliner converted to a military transport. Thirty w ere ordered for military use, though only eleven w ere actually built. Entered service in 1940, with the last being scrapped in 1950.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT MONOPLANE
 - DE HAVILLAND TRANSPORTER

FLOATPLANE

- SN A type of seaplane, with one or more slender pontoons (know n as "floats") mounted under the fuselage to provide buoyancy.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT SEAPLANE NT AR 196 GLOSTER II HE115 HE59

FLYING BOAT

- SN An aeroplane w ith the capability to land at sea, the underside of its fuselage shaped like the hull of a sea-going vessel and designed to make contact w ith the w ater.
- CL AIRCRAFT TY PE
- BT SEAPLANE
- NT CATALINA

DO18 DO24 FELIXSTOWE F5 IRIS LERWICK SOUTHAMPTON

STRANRAER SUNDERLAND WALRUS

FLYING BOMB

- SN A pilotless aircraft armed with explosives and fuelled to stall over its intended target.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY FORM>
- NT V1
- Flying Fortress

USE B17 FLYING FORTRESS

Fo108

USE FOLLAND FO108

FOCKE WULF

 SN Focke-Wulf Flugzeugbau G.m.b.H.. Founded in 1924 and amalgamated in 1931 with the Albatross-Flugzeugw erke G.m.b.H.. Converted to a G.m.b.H. in 1937.

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT FW190 FW200

FOKKER

- SN Dutch aircraft manufacturer named after its founder, Anthony Fokker. Set up in 1912 in Schw erin, Germany, moving to the Netherlands in 1919. The w orld's largest aircraft manufacturer in the late 1920s.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT <BY MANUFACTURER> MONOPLANE TRANSPORTER
- NT FOKKER FVIII

FOKKER FVIII

- SN A large tw in-engined airliner produced by the Dutch aircraft manufacturer Fokker in the 1920s. First flight March 1927. Designed by Reinhold Platz. Mixed construction, fuselage/ tail in steel covered w ith plyw ood, canvas and duralumin (11 units built).
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT FOKKER

FOLLAND

SN Formed in 1936 as British Marine Aircraft Ltd. to construct civil flying-boats. In 1937, with the arrival of H P Folland, formerly Chief designer for Gloster Aircraft Co., became Folland Aircraft, Ltd..

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT FOLLAND FO108

FOLLAND FO108

- UF Fo108
- SN Single-engine, testbed monoplane built to Air Ministry Specification 43/37. Only twelve were produced, the first of which tested the Sabre I engine in 1940, and were used throughout the war. The cockpit could seat two observers behind the pilot.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT FOLLAND MONOPLANE

FULMAR

- SN Single-engine, two-crew fighter, also used for convoy escort and reconnaissance. Designed to operate from aircraft carriers. Entered service with the Fleet Air Arm in 1940 and remained in use until 1945.
- CL AIRCRAFT TY PE
- BT MONOPLANE FIGHTER FAIREY

FW190

- SN Single-seat, single-engine fighter-bomber and ground-attack aircraft. Entered service with the Luftw affe in mid-1941. Approximately 20,000 w ere constructed betw een 1941 and the end of the w ar.
- CL AIRCRAFT TY PE
- BT FOCKE WULF MONOPLANE FIGHTER BOMBER

FW200

- UF Condor
- SN Long-range, four-engine reconnaissancebomber. Initially produced as a transport, converted and used against Allied convoys in the Channel and the Atlantic. Also served as a VIP transport, one of w hich w as the Immelmann III: Hitler's personal aircraft.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT RECONNAISSANCE MONOPLANE FOCKE WULF TRANSPORTER BOMBER

GENERAL AIRCRAFT

- SN General Aircraft Limited.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT HAMILCAR HOTSPUR

GLADIATOR

- SN Single-seat, single-engine biplane fighter. In operational service from 1939 to 1941, this was the last, and believed to be the best, biplane to be flow n in the RAF. All-metal in construction with fabric and aluminium covering.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE

ΒT GLOSTER BIPLANE FIGHTER

GLIDER

- An engineless aeroplane, designed to be tow ed SN aloft, that travels suspended by upw ard air currents.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY FORM>
- NT CG4A HADRIAN
 - HAMILCAR HORSA

GLIDER TUG

- An aircraft used for tow ing gliders aloft. SN
- CL
- вT THG

GLOSTER

- SN Gloster Aircraft Co., Ltd. formed in 1917, later became part of the Haw ker Siddeley Group. First British or American company to design, build and fly a jet-propelled aircraft.
- CI
- ΒT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT GLADIATOR GLOSTER II GRFBF JAVEIN METEOR

GLOSTER II

- SN Single-engine, single-seat biplane seaplane built for the 1924 Schneider Cup Race.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- ΒT GLOSTER
- **BIPI ANF**
 - FI OATPI ANE
- RT GREBE

GORDON

- SN A single-engine, two-crew biplane day bomber and general purpose aircraft, developed from the IIIF (some of which were converted into Gordons) and first flow n in 1931.
- AIRCRAFT TYPE CL
- FAIREY BT
- BOMBER

GOTHA

- SN Gothauer Waggonfabrik A.G., based in Gotha, Thuringia (Germany). During World War 2 produced mostly training and light commercial aircraft and troop and freight-carrying gliders.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- ΒT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT GOTHA GV

GOTHA GV

- SN A World War One German three-crew, twinengined. long range heavy bomber biplane manufactured by Gothaer Waggonfabrik A.G., Entering service in 1917, this aircraft incorporated a ventral tunnel allow ing the gunner to shoot dow nw ards and to the rear.
- CL
- AIRCRAFT TYPE BT BIPLANE

HOTSPUR

- AIRCRAFT TYPE

- AIRCRAFT TYPE

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HEAVY BOMBER GOTHA

GREBE

- SN The Gloster Grebe was the Royal Air Force's first post WWI fighter aircraft, entering service in 1923. Designed by Henry Folland, a single-seat, single-engined biplane of fabric-covered wood construction with two Vickers machine guns (133 planes built).
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- вT GLOSTER **BIPLANE**
- FIGHTER
- RT GLOSTER I

GRUMMAN

- SN The Grumman Aircraft Engineering Corporation founded by Leroy R Grumman and incorporated in 1929.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER> BT
- NT F4F WILDCAT F6F HELLCAT TBF A VENGER

Haig

USE CG4A HADRIAN

HALIFAX

- SN Four-engine, seven-crew heavy bomber. Entered service with RAF Bomber Command in 1940, becoming one of the twin sources of bomber strength along with the Lancaster. Also used for transport and glider tug duties.
- CI A IRCRAFT TY PF
- BT HANDLEY PAGE MONOPI A NE HEAVY BOMBER

HAMILCAR

- SN Wood and fabric transport glider, tw enty of which were produced with twin Bristol Mercury engines. Fitted with a hinged nose for loading and unloading, this was the largest glider used by the RAF and could accomodate a 7-ton tank.
- CI AIRCRAFT TYPE BT **MONOPLANE**
- GENERAL AIRCRAFT TRANSPORTER GLIDER

HAMPDEN

- SN Four-seat, tw in-engined medium bomber. Entered service in 1938. After serving Bomber Command from 1939-42, was converted to a torpedobomber and mine-layer with RAF Coastal Command
- AIRCRAFT TYPE CI
- BT MEDIUM BOMBER HANDLEY PAGE **MONOPLANE** HEREFORD RT
- HANDLEY PAGE
 - SN Handley Page, Ltd.. Founded by Sir Frederick Handley Page, this was the first limited company to be incorporated in Great Britain for the purpose

of aircraft manufacture.

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- ΒT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT HALIFAX HA MPDEN HEREFORD
 - V1500 W10

HARVARD

- SN Two-seat, single-engine, advanced-pilot trainer. Square-winged and fitted with dual controls, this popular trainer was used by British Commonw ealth, as well as American and Canadian. air forces.
- AIRCRAFT TYPE CL RΤ NORTH A MERICAN **MONOPLANE TRAINER**

HAVOC

- SN Originally a light day-bomber, the Boston II, rechristened the Havoc, was adapted for nightflying in the fighter-intruder role. Was capable of a top speed in excess of 300 mph.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- вт DOUGLAS **MONOPLANE** LIGHT BOMBER NIGHTFIGHTER
- RT BOSTON

HAWKER

- SN Haw ker Aircraft, Ltd., established 1933 to succeed the H. G. Haw ker Engineering Co., Ltd., which had been formed in 1920 as the result of the voluntary liquidation of the renow ned Sopw ith concern.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- вт AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NIT HECTOR HENI FY HURRICANE TEMPEST TY PHOON

HE111

- SN The main German, medium bomber of the war, the HE111 first saw action during the Spanish Civil War. HE111s took part in the Battle of Britain and from 1944 onw ards were used to launch airborne flying bombs against London.
- AIRCRAFT TYPE CL
- BT MEDIUM BOMBER HEINKEL MONOPLANE

HE115

- Three-seat, tw in-engined minelaying, torpedo-SN bombing and reconnaissance tw in-float seaplane. First flow n in 1936, in 1938 it set eight world speed records for its class in various range and payload categories.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- TORPEDO BOMBER BT **RECONNAISSANCE** FLOATPLANE

HEINKEL MONOPLANE **MINELAYER**

HE177

- SN Tw in-engined, six-crew, heavy bomber. Conceived as a rival to the Lancaster and Flying Fortress, the HE177 was dogged by mechanical and structural problems. Of a thousand produced, only about two hundred saw action.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE вT HEINKEL
 - **MONOPLANE** HEAVY BOMBER

HE59

- SN Tw in-engined, four-crew German seaplane. Entered service in 1932 as a torpedo bomber and naval reconnaisance aircraft, though by World War 2 those still serving were used mainly for air sea rescue
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- TORPEDO BOMBER BT **RECONNAISSANCE** BIPLANE FLOATPLANE HEINKEL

HEAVY BOMBER

- Long-range, usually four-engined, bomber SN designed to carry a large bomb payload.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BOMBER BT
- NT
- **B17 FLYING FORTRESS B24 LIBERATOR B29 SUPERFORTRESS** GOTHA GV HALIFAX HE177 LANCASTER LINCOL N PB4Y LIBERATOR STIRLING V1500 VIMY WHITLEY

HECTOR

- A WWII British biplane produced by Haw ker SN Aircraft, used for army cooperation duties.
- CL AIRCRAFT TY PE
- HAWKER BT ARMY COOPERATION BIPLANE

HEINKEL

- SN Ernst Heinkel A.G.. Formed in 1922 by Dr. Ernst Heinkel, previously Chief Designer with Hansa-Brandenburgische Flugzeugwerke, where he produced many notable seaplanes during World War One.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER> BT
- NT HE111 HE115 HE177 HE59

HENLEY

- SN Originally designed as a light bomber but diverted for use as a high speed target tug to replace outdated biplanes.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT TARGET TUG HAWKER
 - MONOPLANE

HEREFORD

- SN Tw in-engined, four-seat medium bomber. A reengined variant of the Hampden, less than 200 w ere built but never became operational due to engine unreliability. Some w ere converted to Hampdens.
 CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT MEDIUM BOMBER MONOPLANE HANDLEY PAGE
- RT HAMPDEN

HORSA

- SN Troop and general transport glider. Almost entirely w ooden in construction, many w ere manufactured by the furniture industry. Mk I featured a a door-ramp on the port side w hilst the Mk II w as fitted w ith a hinged nose.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MONOPLANE AIRSPEED TRANSPORTER GLIDER

HOTSPUR

- SN Principal glider-pilot training glider fitted with tandem seats. Spruce and plyw ood in construction, the Hotspur served with the Glider Pilot Regiment betw een 1941 and 1945.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MONOPLANE TRAINER GENERAL AIRCRAFT GLIDER

HUDSON

- SN Tw in-engined maritime-reconnaissance bomber adapted from pre-w ar American airliners, the A-28 and A-29, evident from the row of portholes along its fuselage. Entered service with RAF Coastal Command just before the outbreak of World War Tw o.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT RECONNAISSANCE MONOPLANE LOCKHEED BOMBER

HURRICANE

- SN Single-engine, single-seat fighter, also adapted as a night-fighter, fighter-bomber, rocketprojectile fighter and tank-buster. The first monoplane to enter RAF service with 14,000 being produced betw een 1937 and 1944.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT HAWKER
 - MONOPLANE FIGHTER

INVADER

- SN Three-seat tactical support aircraft. Entering service with the US 9th Air Force in 1944, the Invader had a bomb load of 4,000 lbs and w as later used as a conventional medium bomber.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT MEDILIM BOMBER
- BT MEDIUM BOMBER DOUGLAS MONOPLANE

IRIS

- SN Large, three-engined, long range reconnaissance flying boat. Wooden hull and frame construction, with linen covering. Entered service in 1930.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT FLYING BOAT RECONNAISSANCE BIPLANE BLACKBURN

JAVELIN

- SN All-w eather fighter/interceptor first flow in 1951, introduced into service in 1956 and retired from the RAF in 1968.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT GLOSTER MONOPLANE FIGHTER

JU188

- SN A tw in-engined development of the JU88, the JU188 had a higher service ceiling and greater maximum speed. JU188s operated over the UK from 1944 onw ards as night intruders and reconnaissance aircraft.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT RECONNAISSANCE JUNKERS MONOPLANE RT JU88

- JU86
 - SN Tw o-crew , tw in-engined bomber. Entered production in 1934 and designed for dual use as a high-speed commercial transport. Technical problems hindered its use as a bomber and led to conversion to high-altitude reconnaissance.
 CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
 - BT RECONNAISSANCE JUNKERS MONOPLANE

JU87

- UF Stuka
- SN A single-engine dive-bomber, the JU87 w as very successful during the invasions of Poland and France but suffered heavy losses during the Battle of Britain. Withdraw n from NW Europe in 1941 for use in the Mediterranean and on the Eastern Front.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT JUNKERS MONOPLANE BOMBER

JU88

SN A tw in-engined, multi-role aircraft built by Junkers. Originally designed as a medium bomber

w ith the speed of a fighter, but its adaptability allow ed it to fulfil the roles of night fighter, torpedo-bomber, anti-tank aircraft and photoreconnaissance.

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT JUNKERS
- MONOPLANE
- RT JU188

JUNKERS

- SN Junkers Flugzeug und Motorenw erke, A.G..
 Formed in 1910 with Professor Junkers being granted a patent for an all-wing aeroplane.
 Produced first successful all-metal aeroplane, the Junkers J1, in 1915.
 CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT <BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT JU188
- JU86
 - JU87 JU88
- KITTYHAWK
 - UF Tomahaw k
 - Warhaw k
 - SN Single-seat, single-engine fighter-bomber: Curtiss P40 Warhaw k, know n to the RAF as the Tomahaw k, later renamed Kittyhaw k. Serving from 1941 to 1942, control difficulties in dive attacks impeded bombing accuracy, resulting in use for larger targets only.
 - CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT MONOPLANE FIGHTER BOMBER CURTISS

L20A BEAVER

- UF U6a Beaver
- SN Post-World War Two, single-engine, high-wing utility transport. Manufactured by De Havilland Canada, was also produced in a seaplane version. Know n as the U6A from 1962.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT MONOPLANE
 - DE HAVILLAND TRANSPORTER

LANCASTER

- SN Four-engined heavy bomber, developed by Avro from the tw in-engined Manchester. Entered service in 1942 as the RAF's principal night bomber and took part in the 1,000 bomber raids as w ell as the famous Dam Busters raid.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MONOPLANE HEAVY BOMBER AVRO
- RT LINCOLN MANCHESTER YORK

LEOPARD MOTH

SN A single engine two seat cabin monoplane tourer, first flow n in 1933 as a successor to the Puss Moth. Impressed into military sevice in WWII by the RAF and the Fleet Air Arm as a liaison and communications aircraft, also used by training units.

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MONOPLANE COMMUNICATIONS DE HAVILLAND

LERWICK

- SN Six-crew, medium-range, tw in-engined reconnaissance flying-boat. Entered service with 209 Squadron in 1939 but, due to design and operation problems, saw little action and w as not produced in large numbers.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT FLYING BOAT RECONNAISSANCE SAUNDERS ROE MONOPLANE

Liberator

USE B24 LIBERATOR

LIGHT AIRCRAFT

- SN Generally understood to mean aircraft w hose normal loaded w eight is less than 2750kg (6060 lb).
- CL A IRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY FORM>
- NT COURIER

LIGHT BOMBER

- SN High speed, short to medium-range bomber, usually pow ered by two engines.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BOMBER
- NT BATTLE FAWN HAVOC

LIGHTNING

- SN Tw in-engined jet-fighter. The first British aircraft to exceed Mach 1 in level flight, later to exceed Mach 2. Entered service in 1960. After 13 years w as superseded in its primary defence role by the Phantom, though remained in RAF service until 1988.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MONOPLANE ENGLISH ELECTRIC FIGHTER

LINCOLN

- SN Four-engine, long range heavy bomber. Developed from the Lancaster, and originally designated the Lancaster Mk. IV, it w as larger in size, bombload and fuel capacity. Never used operationally in World War Tw o.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT MONOPLANE
- HEAVY BOMBER
- AVRO
- RT LANCASTER

LOCKHEED

- SN The Lockheed Aircraft Corporation. Founded in 1916 by Allen and Malcolm Loughead. In 1926 the company moved to Burbank and changed its name to The Lockheed Aircraft Company, and w as then incorporated in 1932.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE

- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT HUDSON LOCKHEED VEGA P38 LIGHTNING

LOCKHEED VEGA

- SN A subsidiary of Lockheed.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT LOCKHEED
- NT VENTURA

LYSANDER

- SN Single-engine, tw o-crew multi-role aircraft designed for RAF Army co-operation. Entered RAF service in 1938. Noted for its role dropping agents into Europe, also served as a nightfighter, day ground-attack aircraft and target tug.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT WESTLAND
 - MONOPLANE

MAGISTER

- SN Miles M.14 Magister. Single-engine, tw o-crew training and communications aircraft. Spruce and plyw ood in construction, with open cockpits and a fixed landing gear, served betw een 1937 and 1945.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MILES
 - MONOPLANE TRAINER

MANCHESTER

- SN Tw in-engined, medium bomber w ith a 1200 mile range and a bomb load in excess of 10,000 lb. Entered service in 1940, but engine faults resulted in retirement in 1942 w ith its design later modified into the acclaimed four-engine Lancaster bomber.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MEDIUM BOMBER MONOPLANE AVRO
- RT LANCASTER

MARTIN

- SN The Glenn L. Martin Company, established in 1909 by Glenn L Martin. Produced the first successful American-designed tw in-engined aeroplane, the Martin Tw in, w hich w as then converted for use as a passenger aircraft.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT B26 MARAUDER

MARTINET

- SN Single-engine, advanced-pilot trainer. Spruce and plyw ood in construction, entered service in 1939, continuing to serve as a trainer, and also a target tug, until 1950.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT MILES
 - MONOPLANE TRAINER

Martlet

USE F4F WILDCAT

MASTER

- SN Single-engine, advanced-pilot trainer used in secondary flying training schools. Serving from 1939-50, was also used as a target tug for gunnery practice.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT MILES MONOPLANE TRAINER

MCDONNELL DOUGLAS

- SN McDonnell Douglas was a major American aerospace manufacturer and defense contractor, producing a number of famous commercial and military aircraft.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT F4 PHANTOM

ME109

- UF Bf109
- SN Single-engine, single-seat fighter manufactured by Messerschmitt. First used as part of Germany's Condor legion during the Spanish Civil War, the 'one-o-nine' w as the Luftw affe's most w idely used fighter seeing service throughout World War II.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MESSERSCHMITT MONOPLANE FIGHTER

ME110

- UF Bf110
- SN Developed as a long range, heavy day-fighter, the ME110 found its niche as a night fighter. It saw service over Southern and Eastern England during the Battle of Britain but lost out in the daytime to the faster British fighters.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MESSERSCHMITT MONOPLANE NIGHTFIGHTER

ME210

- SN Tw o-seat, tw in-engined fighter/fighter-bomber designed as a replacement for the Bf110. Of the 600 or so produced, only 258 reached the Luftw affe due to serious design faults. The ME210 w as superseded by the ME410 Hornisse.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT MESSERSCHMITT
- MONOPLANE
- FIGHTER BOMBER
- RT ME410

ME410

- SN Developed from the ill-fated ME210, the ME410 Hornisse entered service in May 1943. Although underpow ered as a day fighter the ME410 saw service over the UK as a night fighter from 1943-45.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MESSERSCHMITT MONOPLANE NIGHTFIGHTER RT ME210

MEDIUM BOMBER

- SN A bomber designed to operate with medium bombloads over medium distances. The medium bomber was generally considered to be any design that delivered about 4,000 lb (1.8 t) over ranges of about 1,500 to 2,000 miles (2,400 to 3,200 km).
- AIRCRAFT TYPE CL
- BT BOMBER
- NT **B25 MITCHELL B26 MARAUDER** BLENHEIM HA MPDEN HE111 HEREFORD **INVADER** MANCHESTER MOSQUITO WELLINGTON

MESSERSCHMITT

- Founded by Professor Willy Messerschmitt as the SN Bayerische Flugzeugwerke. Reconstituted in 1938 as the Messerschmitt A.G..
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER> BT
- NT ME109
 - ME110
 - ME210
 - ME410

METEOR

- SN The RAF's first jet fighter, flow n operationally during 1944-5, with later versions serving for a further ten years after the war. The Meteor's first active operations were in the interception and destruction of V.1. flying bombs.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT GLOSTER **MONOPLANE** FIGHTER

MILES

- SN Miles Aircraft, Ltd., originally know n as Phillips & Pow is Aircraft Ltd.. Formed in 1935 as a public company to take over aircraft manufacture from Phillips & Pow is Aircraft (Reading) Ltd.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- ΒT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT MAGISTER MARTINET
- MASTER

MINELAYER

- An aircraft equipped to deploy explosive mines. SN
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- AIRCRAFT < BY FUNCTION> ΒT
- NT HE115

Mk1

USE MKI

MKI

- UF Mk1
- SN Mark 1 or the first production variation of an aircraft.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- A IRCRAFT MARK ΒT

MKIC

- SN A Mark 1B aircraft which has undergone further modification to enhance performance or armament.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- ΒT AIRCRAFT MARK

MKIF

- SN A Mark 1E aircraft which has undergone further modifications to enhance performance or armament.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT MARK

MKII

- SN Mark 2 or the second variant of an aircraft with its associated modifications.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- ΒT AIRCRAFT MARK

MKIIA

- SN A Mark 2 aircraft which has undergone slight modifications to enhance performance or armament.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- вT AIRCRAFT MARK

MKIIB

- SN A Mark 2A aircraft which has undergone slight modifications to enhance performance or armament.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- A IRCRAFT MARK BT

MKIIC

- SN A Mark 2B aircraft with which has undergone further modifications to enhance performance or armament.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- ΒT AIRCRAFT MARK

MKIII

- Mark 3 or the third variant of an aircraft with its SN associated modifications.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- ΒT A IRCRAFT MARK

MKIIIA

- SN A Mark 3 aircraft which has undergone slight modifications to enhance performance or armament.
- CI A IRCRAFT TY PF
- ΒT AIRCRAFT MARK

MKIV

- SN Mark 4 or the fourth variant of an aircraft with its associated modifications.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT MARK

MKV

- SN Mark 5 or the fifth variant of an aircraft with its associated modifications.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- ΒT AIRCRAFT MARK

MKVB

SN A Mark 5A aircraft which has undergone further modifications to enhance performance or armament.

CL AIRCRAFT TYPE

BT AIRCRAFT MARK

MKVI

- SN Mark 6 or the sixth variant of an aircraft with its associated modifications.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT MARK

MKVIC

| SN | A Mark 6B aircraft w hich has undergone further |
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| | modifications to enhance performance or |
| | armament. |
| CL | AIRCRAFT TY PE |

CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT AIRCRAFT MARK

MKVII

| | its associated modifications. |
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| SN | Mark 7 or the seventh variant of an aircraft with |
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- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT MARK

MKVIII

| SN | Mark 8 or the eighth variant of an aircraft with its |
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| | associated modifications. |
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- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT MARK

МКХ

| SN | Mark 10 or the tenth variant of an aircraft with its |
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| | associated modifications. |

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT MARK

MKXI

| SN | Mark 11 or the eleventh variant of an aircraft with |
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| | its associated modifications. |

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT MARK

MKXII

| SN | Mark 12 or the tw elfth variant of an aircraft with |
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| | its associated modifications. |

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT MARK

ΜΚΧΙΥ

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| | with its associated modifications. |
| SN | Mark 14 or the fourteenth variant of an aircraft |

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT MARK

ΜΚΧΥΙ

| SN | Mark 16 or the sixteenth variant of an aircraft |
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| | with its associated modifications. |

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT MARK

MONOPLANE

AT8

ATTACKER

| SN | An aircraft with a single wing, or plane, either |
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| | side of its fuselage. |
| CL | AIRCRAFT TYPE |
| ΒT | AIRCRAFT < BY FORM> |
| NT | ALBEMARLE |
| | ANSON |
| | AR 196 |
| | AT7 |

B24 LIBERATOR B25 MITCHELL B26 MARAUDER B29 SUPERFORTRESS BARRACUDA BATTLE **BEAUFIGHTER** BEAUFORT BERMUDA BLENHEIM BOSTON BOTHA BUFFALO CATALINA CG4A HADRIAN CORSAIR COURIER DAKOTA **DEFIANT** DO17 DO18 DO217 DO24 F13 SUPERFORTRESS F4 PHANTOM F4F WILDCAT F6F HELLCAT F84 THUNDERJET F86 SABRE **FIREBRAND** FIREFLY **FLAMINGO** FOKKER FOLLAND FO108 FULMAR FW190 FW200 HALIFAX HAMILCAR **HAMPDEN** HARVARD HAVOC HE111 HE115 HE177 HENLEY HEREFORD HORSA HOTSPUR HUDSON HURRICANE **INVADER** JAVELIN JU188 JU86 JU87 JU88 KITTYHAWK L20A BEAVER I ANCASTER LEOPARD MOTH LERWICK LIGHTNING LINCOLN LYSANDER MAGISTER

B17 FLY ING FORTRESS

MANCHESTER MARTINET MASTER ME109 ME110 ME210 MF410 METEOR MOSQUITO OXFORD P38 LIGHTNING P39 AIRACOBRA P47 THUNDERBOLT P51 MUSTANG PB4Y LIBERATOR PROCTOR PUSS MOTH RFI IA NT ROC **SEAFIRE** SKUA SPITFIRE STIRLING **SUNDERLAND** TBF A V ENGER TEMPEST TY PHOON UC64 NORSEMAN VAMPIRE **VENGEANCE VENTURA** WARWICK WELLINGTON WHIRLWIND WHITLEY YORK

MOSQUITO

- SN Two-seat, twin-engined light/medium bomber celebrated for its speed and versatility. Entering service in 1941, was also adapted for duties as a fighter-bomber, Pathfinder, mine-layer, transport, trainer and photo-reconnaissance aircraft.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MEDIUM BOMBER MONOPLANE DE HAVILLAND

NIEUPORT

- SN A French aeroplane company that primarily built racing aircraft before World War I and fighter aircraft during World War I and betw een the w ars. First set up in 1902 as manufacturer of engine components, then aircraft in 1911 as Nieuport et Deplante.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT NIEUPORT DELAGE NID 30

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- SN A French airliner w hich entered service in 1920. A conventional biplane design w ith enclosed cabin for four passengers and open cockpit for the pilot. Fitted w ith an early audible guidance system. Withdraw n from service in 1921.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BIPLANE
 - NIEUPORT

TRANSPORTER

NIGHTFIGHTER

- SN A light, high speed aircraft equipped specifically to engage in night combat.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT FIGHTER
- NT BEAUFIGHTER DEFIANT HAVOC ME110 ME410

NOORDUYN

- SN Noorduyn Aviation Limited. Formed in 1934 by Mr R.B.C. Noorduyn as a successor to Noorduyn Aircraft Limited, w hich w as formed in 1933. The company's most notable production aircraft w as the Norseman transport.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT UC64 NORSEMAN

NORTH AMERICAN

- SN North American Aviation, Inc., incorporated in Delaw are in 1928.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT B25 MITCHELL F86 SABRE HARVARD P51 MUSTANG

OXFORD

- SN Tw in-engined monoplane that served the RAF as an advanced trainer and flying ambulance. Mk. I featured a gun turret and served for gunnery and bombing-crew training. Subsequent versions used for pilot, radio and navigation training.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MONOPLANE AIRSPEED TRAINER

P38 LIGHTNING

- SN Tw in-engined, single-seat fighter-bomber. Flow n by USAAF fighter groups from 1942, excelled as a ground-support fighter. Could carry tw o 1600 lb bombs or rocket projectiles.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MONOPLANE FIGHTER BOMBER LOCKHEED

P39 AIRACOBRA

- SN Single-seat fighter-bomber with a single, midships engine and tricycle landing gear. After proving a failure as an air-combat fighter, w as used mainly in the ground attack role.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT MONOPLANE FIGHTER BOMBER BELL

P47 THUNDERBOLT

SN Single-seat, single-engine fighter-bomber. Fitted with eight fixed forw ard-firing machine guns in the wings, plus two 1000lb bombs or six rocket projectiles.

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT REPUBLIC MONOPLANE FIGHTER BOMBER

P51 MUSTANG

- SN Single-engine, single-seat, long range fighter originally designed in 1940 to a British requirement. Outstanding low -level speed and range resulted in its assignment to the ground support (Army co-operation) role.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT NORTH AMERICAN MONOPLANE FIGHTER

PB4Y LIBERATOR

- SN US Navy version of the four-engined, six-crew B24 heavy bomber. Modified for long-range reconnaissance duty and used as a patrolbomber against shipping and submarines.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT RECONNAISSANCE CONSOLIDATED MONOPLANE HEAVY BOMBER RT B24 LIBERATOR
- Pencil Bomber

USE DO17

PERCIVAL

- SN The Percival Aircraft Company was formed in 1932 and re-organized as Percival Aircraft Ltd. in 1937, when the works moved from Gravesend to Luton.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT PROCTOR

PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE

- SN A camera-equipped aircraft intended to fly over enemy territory and gather photographic evidence of strategic features and/or the position and strength of any military presence.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT RECONNAISSANCE
- NT F13 SUPERFORTRESS
- FIREFLY

Prefect

USE TUTOR

PROCTOR

- SN Single-engine, spruce and plyw ood, fabriccovered training and communications low -w ing monoplane. Served from 1939 to 1950.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT PERCIVAL MONOPLANE TRAINER

PUSS MOTH

- SN Three-seat, single engine, high w ing braced monoplane designed for civil use and first flow n in 1929. Saw military service in World War 2 in an Army co-operation and communications role.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE

BT ARMY COOPERATION MONOPLANE COMMUNICATIONS DE HAVILLAND

QUEEN BEE

- SN A radio-controlled target tug version of the Tiger Moth used for target practice. 380 w ere built for the RAF.
- CL AIRCRAFT TY PE
- BT TARGET TUG
- BIPLANE DE HAVILLAND
- RT TIGER MOTH

RECONNAISSANCE

- SN An aircraft, often fitted with cameras, intended to fly over enemy territory to ascertain its strategic features and/or the position and strength of any military presence.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY FUNCTION>
- NT AIRCO DH6 **ALBEMARLE** ANSON AR 196 **ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH FK3 ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH FK8** BISON BOTHA **BRISTOL F2B** CATALINA DO18 **FELIXSTOWE F5** FW200 HE115 HE59 HUDSON IRIS JU188 JU86 LERWICK PB4Y LIBERATOR PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE SHARK SOUTHAMPTON STRANRAER **SUNDERLAND** SWORDFISH WALRUS WARWICK

RELIANT

- SN Single-engine navigation trainer and communications aircraft. Constructed of tubular steel and duralumin frame, with a duralumin and canvas covering, 500 w ere delivered to the FAA, serving from 1944-5.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT STINSON MONOPLANE TRAINER

REPUBLIC

SN The Republic Aviation Corporation. Developed from the Seversky Aircraft Corporation, founded by Alexander P. de Seversky in 1931 after the collapse of his previous company, the Seversky Aero Corporation, in the 1929 stock market crash.

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- ΒT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT F84 THUNDERJET
 - P47 THUNDERBOLT

ROC

- A fighter version of the SKUA fitted with a four-SN gun turret. The majority were converted to target tugs for use by the RAF and Fleet Air Arm.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- ΒT TARGET TUG MONOPLANE **BLACKBURN** FIGHTER
- RT SKUA

Sabrejet

USE F86 SABRE

Saro

USE SAUNDERS ROE

SAUNDERS ROE

UF Saro

- SN A British aero- and marine-engineering company based on the Isle of Wight specializing in the construction of flying boats.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER> вт
- NT LERWICK

Sb2a Buccaneer

USE BERMUDA

Sea Otter

USE WALRUS

SEAFIRE

- Single-engine, single-seat carrierborne fighter: a SN Spitfire VB fitted with an arrester hook. Modifications on later versions included folding wings, rocket-assisted take-off gear and conversion for photo-reconnaissance duties.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- RΤ SUPERMA RINE **MONOPLANE** FIGHTER
- RT SPITFIRE

SEAL

- SN Single-engine, two or three-crew pre-World War 2 biplane fighter and general purpose aircraft. First flow n in 1931, the Seal was a Naval variant on the Fairey Gordon and a forerunner of the Sw ordfish.
- AIRCRAFT TYPE CI
- BIPLANE BT
 - FAIREY FIGHTER

SEAPLANE

- An aircraft designed to land on water. They can SN be divided into 2 types: Flying boats (designed with a hull allowing the aircraft to land directly on w ater) and Floatplanes (w here the undercarriage was replaced by fixed floats).
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- вт AIRCRAFT < BY FORM>

NT FLOATPLANE FLYING BOAT

SHARK

- SN A torpedo-bomber and reconnaissance biplane in service with the Fleet Air Arm 1935-1938. Rendered obsolete after 1938 by the Sw ordfish and withdrawn from service.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- вT TORPEDO BOMBER **RECONNAISSANCE BIPLANE** BLACKBURN

SHORT

- SN Short Bros. (Rochester & Bedford), Ltd. founded by Eustace and Osw ald Short in 1898, originally manufacturing spherical balloons. In 1936 became Short & Harland Ltd. in collaboration with Belfast shipbuilders Harland and Wolff.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER> BT
- STIRI ING NT
- **SUNDERLAND**

SISKIN

- SN Single-engine, single-seat biplane day fighter developed by Siddeley. Variations included an allmetal. fabric-covered Mk.III. which became the RAF's main fighter in the 1920s.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT **ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH BIPLANE** FIGHTER

SKUA

- SN Single-engine fighter/dive-bomber. The Fleet Air Arm's first operational monoplane, and its first aircraft to shoot dow n an enemy during the war.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BLACKBURN
- FIGHTER BOMBER
- ROC RT

SNIPE

- SN Single-engined fighter, developed from the Camel. Entered service in 1918 and became the RAF's first mainstay peacetime fighter.
- CI AIRCRAFT TYPE RΤ BIPLANE SOPWITH FIGHTER
- RT CAMEL

SOPWITH

- SN The Sopw ith Aviation Co., Ltd.. Established in 1911 by the noted aviator Mr T. O. M. Sopwith. Produced many notable aircraft, including the Camel and a Schneider Cup-winning seaplane.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NIT CAMEL SNIPF

SOUTHAMPTON

SN Interbellum, tw in-engined, five-crew, biplane flying-boat with a characteristic triple tail-fin.

- ΒT **MONOPLANE**

Entered service in 1925 and used for general reconnaissance duties. The Mk.I had a wooden fuselage, w hilst the Mk.II's was metal in construction.

- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT FLYING BOAT RECONNAISSANCE BIPLANE SUPERMARINE

SPITFIRE

- SN Single-engine, single-seat interceptor fighter developed from the race-w inning Schneider Trophy seaplanes. One of the most famous of all combat aircraft, entered RAF service in 1938 and w as still in use in the 1950s.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT SUPERMARINE
- MONOPLANE FIGHTER
- RT SEAFIRE

STINSON

- SN The Stinson Division of The Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation. Originally the Stinson Aircraft Division of the Aviation Manufacturing Corpn., who were taken over by Vultee Aircraft Inc., who merged with the Consolidated Aircraft Corpn. in 1943.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT RELIANT

STIRLING

- SN Seven/eight-crew, heavy night-bomber. The first four-engine bomber to join the RAF, with a bomb load of 14000 lb, entered service in 1940. Superseded as a bomber by the Lancaster and Halifax, later versions served as transports and tugs.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT SHORT MONOPLANE HEAVY BOMBER

STRANRAER

- SN Tw in-engined, seven-crew, coastal reconnaissance, biplane flying-boat. Designed to the same specification as the Saro London, entered service in 1937. Also serving in an antisubmarine role, w as replaced by the Consolidated Canso (Catalina) in 1943.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT FLYING BOAT RECONNAISSANCE BIPLANE SUPERMARINE

Stuka

USE JU87

SUNDERLAND

- SN Four-engine, ten-crew, long-range maritime reconnaissance and anti-submarine aircraft. Developed from the Short C-class Empire airliner. All metal in construction, entered RAF Coastal Command service in 1938.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT FLYING BOAT

RECONNAISSANCE SHORT MONOPLANE

Superfortress

USE B29 SUPERFORTRESS

SUPERMARINE

- SN The Supermarine Company was formed in 1912 and specialised in producing sea-going aircraft, including several Schneider Trophy winners. Taken over by Vickers-Armstrongs Ltd., in 1938.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT VICKERS ARMSTRONGS
- NT ATTACKER SEAFIRE SOUTHAMPTON SPITFIRE STRANRAER

SWORDFISH

- SN Single-engine, three-crew torpedo-spotter, reconnaissance and anti-submarine biplane. Entered Naval service in 1936, designed for operation from aircraft carriers and equipped with folding wings.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT RECONNAISSANCE BIPLANE FAIREY

TARGET

- SN An aircraft, usually tow ed or radio-controlled, designed for use as an air-to-air, or ground-toair, gunnery target.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT A IRCRAFT < BY FUNCTION>

TARGET TUG

- SN An aircraft used for the tow ing of targets.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT TUG
- NT BERMUDA HENLEY
 - QUEEN BEE
 - V ENGEANCE

TBF AVENGER

- SN Three-crew, single-engine carrierborne torpedobomber. Entered service in 1942, first seeing action during the Battle of Midw ay. Served with the US Navy until 1956.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT TORPEDO BOMBER GRUMMAN MONOPLANE

TEMPEST

- SN Single-engine, single-seat fighter-bomber developed from the Typhoon and the abandoned Tornado. Entered service in 1944 with its greatest success being in destroying V.1. flying bombs. One of the fastest World War 2 aircraft, with a top speed of 436 mph.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT HAWKER
 - MONOPLANE

FIGHTER BOMBER

RT TYPHOON

TEST AIRCRAFT

- SN An aircraft designed for the testing of engines or other aircraft components.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY FUNCTION>

TIGER MOTH

- SN Single-engine, tw o-seat, light, biplane, elementary-flying trainer. Adapted from a civilian design, and constructed from tubular steel and spruce with plyw ood and fabric covering, entered service in 1931 and w as available in land-plane or seaplane forms.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BIPLANE DE HAVILLAND
- TRAINER
- RT QUEEN BEE

Tomahaw k

USE KITTYHAWK

TORPEDO BOMBER

- SN Aircraft designed for the carrying and dropping of torpedoes.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BOMBER
- NT ALBACORE BEAUFORT BOTHA FIREBRAND HE115 HE59 SHARK TBF AV ENGER

TRAINER

- SN An aircraft used for the training of pilots, sometimes fitted with dual controls for use by the instructor.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY FUNCTION>
- NT ANSON
 - A RMSTRONG WHITWORTH FK3 A T7

AT8 BOTHA

HARVARD HOTSPUR MAGISTER MARTINET MASTER OXFORD PROCTOR RELIANT TIGER MOTH TUTOR

TRANSPORTER

- SN An aircraft used for the transportation of troops, supplies, vehicles or passengers.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY FUNCTION>
- NT BLERIOT 155 CG4A HADRIAN

COURIER DA KOTA DE HA VILLAND DH18B DO24 F60 GOLIATH FLAMINGO FOKKER FW200 HAMILCAR HORSA L20A BEAVER NIEUPORT DELAGE NID 30 UC64 NORSEMAN W10 YORK

TRIPLANE

- SN An aeroplane featuring three wings, or planes, placed one above the other either side of its fuselage.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY FORM>

TUG

- SN An aircraft used for tow ing another aircraft or object, such as a glider or target.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY FUNCTION>
- NT GLIDER TUG
 - TARGET TUG

TUTOR

- UF Prefect
- SN A two-seat trainer chosen to replace the Avro 504. 380 entered RAF service with many finding their way onto the civilian market at the end of their careers.
- CL A IRCRAFT TY PE
- BT BIPLANE TRAINER AVRO

TYPHOON

- SN Single-engine, single-seat fighter-bomber. Designed to replace the Hurricane as an interceptor, excelled as a rocket-projectile-firing ground-attack fighter. Entered RAF service in 1941.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT HAWKER MONOPLANE FIGHTER BOMBER
- RT TEMPEST

U6a Beaver

USE L20A BEAVER

UC64 NORSEMAN

- SN Canadian-built, single-engine, high-wing transport and communications aircraft converted from a civilian model. Metal-framed with fabric covering, saw service in 1944-5. Was capable of being equipped with wheels, floats or skis.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MONOPLANE TRANSPORTER NOORDUYN

V1

- UF Doodlebug
- SN Jet-propelled, pilotless aircraft carrying a one-ton explosive w arhead. Also know n as the Fieseler FI-103, the V1 w as nicknamed the doodlebug, or buzz bomb.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT FLYING BOMB
- NT FI 103

V1500

- SN Four-engined, five to seven crew, heavy bomber biplane. Entered service in 1918.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BIPLANE
 - HANDLEY PAGE HEAVY BOMBER

VAMPIRE

- SN A single engine, jet propelled tw in boom aircraft w hich came into service in 1945 in a variety of roles including night fighter, trainer, the carrierborne Sea Vampire, and the MK5 version, a fighter bomber. Produced by De Havilland.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MONOPLANE DE HAVILLAND FIGHTER

VENGEANCE

- SN Single-engine aircraft designed as a dive-bomber. Found to be inadequate in this role, a number of those delivered to the RAF were used as target tugs. Entered service in 1941.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT TARGET TUG VULTEE MONOPLANE

VENTURA

- SN Second World War allied patrol-bomber built by Lockheed Vega, a Lockheed subsidiary. This aircraft w as a military development of the Lodestar, USAF designation B-34.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT LOCKHEED VEGA MONOPLANE BOMBER

VICKERS

- SN Vickers (Aviation) Ltd. formed in 1911, as the aviation division of Vickers Ltd., and took control of Supermarine Aviation Works Ltd. the same year. Taken over by Vickers-Armstrongs Ltd. in 1938.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT VICKERS ARMSTRONGS
- NT VIMY VIRGINIA WARWICK WELLINGTON

VICKERS ARMSTRONGS

- SN Vickers-Armstrongs Ltd.. In 1938 took over Vickers (Aviation) Ltd., w hich itself had taken control of Supermarine Aviation Works Ltd. in 1928.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE

- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT SUPERMARINE VICKERS

VIMY

- SN Tw in-engine, three-crew, long-range heavy bomber biplane. Entered service in 1917. Of w ooden construction w ith a fabric covering, the Vimy w as fitted w ith a skid under the nose of its fuselage to prevent tipping forw ard upon landing.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
 - BIPLANE HEAVY BOMBER VICKERS

VIRGINIA

- SN Tw in-engined, four-crew bomber. Wooden framed, with linen covering, entered service in 1924, equipping several RAF squadrons.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT BIPLANE VICKERS
 - BOMBER

VULTEE

- SN Vultee Aircraft, Inc.. In 1943 merged with The Consolidated Aircraft Corporation to form The Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corporation.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT CONSOLIDATED VULTEE
- NT VENGEANCE

W10

- SN A British medium-range biplane airliner designed and built by Handley Page in 1921. A tw inengined variant of the Handley Page W series (W8, W9), retired in 1931. Built for Imperial Airw ays (4 units built).
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT BIPLANE HANDLEY PAGE TRANSPORTER

WACO

- SN The Waco Aircraft Company, established in 1921. One of the largest pre-w ar producers of civil aircraft in America, Waco specialised in the production of troop and cargo carrying gliders during World War Tw o.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT CG4A HADRIAN

WALRUS

- UF Sea Otter
- SN Three/four-crew, single-engine, shipboard observation and air/sea rescue amphibian seaplane. Entered RAF service in 1936. Also employed for gunnery spotting, anti-submarine and convoy protection duties.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT FLYING BOAT RECONNAISSANCE BIPLANE WESTLAND

Warhaw k

USE KITTYHAWK

WARWICK

- SN Tw in-engined air/sea rescue and anti-submarine patrol aircraft. Originally developed from the Wellington and intended as a bomber, entered RAF Coastal Command service in 1943. Fitted w ith a Leigh Light and ASV radar.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT RECONNAISSANCE MONOPLANE VICKERS
- RT WELLINGTON

WELLINGTON

- SN Six-crew, tw in-engined medium night-bomber. Entered service in 1938 and w as the RAF's principal bomber until 1943, participating in the first bombing raid of the w ar. Later versions served as torpedo and reconnaissance-bombers, transports and trainers.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MEDIUM BOMBER MONOPLANE VICKERS
- RT WARWICK

WESTLAND

- SN Westland Aircraft Ltd., formed in 1935 to take over the aircraft branch of Petters Ltd., previously know n as the Westland Aircraft Works.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRCRAFT < BY MANUFACTURER>
- NT LYSANDER WALRUS WHIRLWIND

WHIRLWIND

- SN Tw in-engined fighter-bomber. All metal in construction, entered service in 1940. Supported bombing operations and participated in attacks on France, but not w idely used due to engine faults.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE BT WESTLAND
 - MONOPLANE FIGHTER BOMBER

WHITLEY

- SN Tw in-engined bomber. The Whitley was the first 'heavy' bomber to be built in quantity for the RAF and made the first bombing attack on Germany in May 1940. It was later used for convoy protection and reconnaissance.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT ARMSTRONG WHITWORTH MONOPLANE HEAVY BOMBER

YORK

- SN Transport version of the four-engined Lancaster bomber. Serving from 1943 to 1951, and all metal in construction, this aircraft w as used extensively during the Berlin airlift.
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT MONOPLANE AVRO TRANSPORTER
- RT LANCASTER

ZEPPELIN

- SN A rigid frame type of airship pioneered by Count Zeppelin and used by the Germans in WWI for military purposes: do not use as generic name for airships
- CL AIRCRAFT TYPE
- BT AIRSHIP