

Based on decades of research by noted Jupiter 2 expert and artist Ron Gross, this multimedia add-on set duplicates the landing gear used for the 4 foot "hero" miniature in exacting detail.

This set contains cast metal, laser-cut acrylic, and brass rod pieces and is intended for modelers of moderate experience.

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INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing ParaGrafix's landing gear set for the Moebius Models Jupiter 2 kit. This set will help you replicate the landing gear as seen on the 4' "hero" filming miniature, as opposed to the kit supplied gear which matches the fullsized set.

Please note that these instructions are for the third generation version of this kit, which has sheeted, laser cut modified acrylic leg pieces (with the extra tabs at the top of parts 5) and resin landing pads. In general, these instructions will work with the first and second generation kits.

What's Included This set includes 3 copies of each of the following: Landing Pad Lower Brass Armature Rod 0.03" x 0.10" Top Strip Stock Bracket (6 strips)

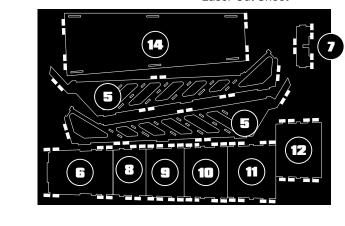
Required Materials

In addition to the set pieces, you will need standard hobby tools.

Use a solvent adhesive, such as Tenax 7-R, to fit the laser-cut landing legs together, and adhere them to the Jupiter 2. Note that the adhesive must be rated for acrylic and polystyrene ("styrene") – regular tube hobby cement will not work.

Use cyanoacrylate (CA, "super glue") adhesive or epoxy cement to mount the metal parts to the landing legs, and the top bracket to the Jupiter 2.

Laser Cut Sheet



Assembly & Installation

Repeat Three Times

Please note that the "ladder" portion of the gear is a space frame design although the individual pieces are quite flexible, the finished unit is amazingly rigid and strong.

Extend the two rear cutouts in the landing gear bay as shown at right. Note that this step should be done before the hull is assembled, but the landing gear itself may be built and installed afterwards. (Gear sidewalls are omitted in these figures for clarity.

Important Note: Remove the protective film before assembling the ladder portion of the gear.

The upper step (12) should fit snugly against the bottom of the access hatchway (kit part #13).

