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At the end of November, we will be shipping all four new releases announced in "Info 5/26." These include the largest model in the batch—the Royal Australian Navy's new Offshore Patrol Vessel (OPV), HMAS ARAFURA (alk 679), which measures a modest 80 meters in length—as well as the Spanish submarine ISAAC PERAL (alk 626), the HU-16 Albatross flying boat, and the NH90 Sea Tiger helicopter.
In addition to the British submarines (alk 73, 74, 75), the following kits are also back in stock: alk 254 (F 128 Meko 200DE concept), alk 256 (U212CD), and alk 405 (Den Helder).
Starting in early December, we will begin shipping the revised F 122-class frigates of the German Navy:

alk 20 Lü -1	Fregatte **LÜBECK** (F214)
alk 20 Kö -1	Fregatte **KÖLN** (F211)
alk 20 Nie -1	Fregatte **NIEDERSACHSEN** (F208)
alk 20 Ka -1	Fregatte **KARLSRUHE** (F212)
alk 20 Au -1	Fregatte **AUGSBURG** (F213)
alk 20 Rp -1	Fregatte **RHEINLAND-PFALZ** (F209)
alk 20 Em-1	Fregatte **EMDEN** (F210)
alk 20 Br -1	Fregatte **BREMEN** (F207)



AL 310 MS Lobo Marinho

Among our new releases, we are focusing entirely on modern vessels of the Norwegian Navy, alongside one "civilian" ship: the Spanish ro-ro ferry *Lobo Marinho*, which connects Madeira to the neighboring island of Porto Santo, located approximately 60 km away.

alk 550	**FRIDTJOF NANSEN** (F310) Five *Fridtjof Nansen*-class frigates were built by the Spanish shipbuilder Navantia in Ferrol between 2003 and 2011. Following the *Álvaro de Bazán* class, this was the second series of vessels to be equipped with the Aegis combat system. The *Fridtjof Nansen* was completed in 2006. Length overall (LOA): 133.25 m; beam: 16.8 m; displacement: 5,290 t; speed: 27 knots. Armament: 1x 76mm Oto Melara L/62 gun, 8x NSM (Naval Strike Missiles), 1x Mk 41 VLS (8 cells) for RIM-162 (ESSM) missiles, 4x 12.7mm Browning M2HB machine guns, 4 torpedo tubes, and 1x NH90 NFH helicopter. The fifth frigate, *Helge Ingstad*, was scrapped following an accident in 2018.	NO	2025
alk 550A	**ROALD AMUNDSEN** (F311) Fregatte der Fridtjof-Nansen – Klasse, in Dienst gestellt: 2007	NO	2025
alk 550B	**OTTO SVERDRUP** (F312) Fregatte der Fridtjof-Nansen – Klasse, in Dienst gestellt: 2008	NO	2025
alk 550C	**THOR HEYERDAHL** (F314) Fregatte der Fridtjof-Nansen – Klasse, in Dienst gestellt: 2011	NO	2025
alk 551	OPV **JAN-MAYEN** (W310)  Offshore patrol vessel with Ice Class 1A Super. Comparable to the Canadian *Harry DeWolf*-class patrol ships. Three vessels of this class entered service between 2023 and 2024. Built by the Vard Group in Romania (hulls) and Norway. 136.4 m (LOA) x 21.4 m, 9,612 tonnes, max. 22 knots. kn. Crew: 100, Bewaffnung:57mm Geschütz,12,7,SMG, Hubschrauberlandedeck mit Hangar.	NO	2009

alk 552	**KV BARENTSHAV (W340)**  Multi-purpose vessel of the Norwegian Coast Guard. It is the lead ship of the class that bears its name (comprising 3 units). Built by Myklebust Verft in Gursken between 2007 and 2010 (with hulls constructed in Romania). The vessels are employed for fisheries inspection, search and rescue operations, towing, and firefighting as well as oil spill response. Dimensions: 93.3m (LOA) x 16.6m; 4,025 GT; hybrid propulsion; maximum speed 20 knots. Armed with one 40mm gun and two 12.7mm machine guns.	**NO**	**2010**
alk 553	**Einsatzgruppenversorger MAUD (A530)**  Supply ship of the Royal Norwegian Navy. A smaller version of the British *Tide* class, also built by Daewoo Shipbuilding in South Korea. Commissioned: 2019. Used for the replenishment of naval vessels at sea, as well as for search and rescue (SAR) and humanitarian operations. The ship features a 48-bed medical facility and has the capacity to carry two helicopters. Dimensions: 183 m (length overall) x 25.9 m; displacement: 27,941 tonnes. Equipped with a hybrid propulsion system driving two propellers; maximum speed: 18 knots. Armament: 4x Sea Protector remote weapon stations.	**NO**	**2019**
alk 554	**KV NORNEN (W330)**  Norwegian Coast Guard patrol vessel. The "Nornen" class consists of a total of 5 vessels. Built in Poland based on a Norwegian design by Skipsteknisk AS, they were constructed between 2006 and 2009. Dimensions: 47.2 m (length overall) x 10.3 m; displacement: 743 tonnes; crew: 20. Armament: 1x 12.7 mm machine gun.	**NO**	**2009**
AL 310	**LOBO MARINHO** Portuguese RoRo ferry used to connect the Atlantic islands of Madeira and Porto Santo. It is the only vessel operated by Porto Santo Line. Built by Estaleiros Navais de Viana do Castelo and completed in 2003. Dimensions: 111.7 m (LOA) x 20.04 m; 8,072 GT; maximum speed 21 knots. Capacity: 1,153 passengers and either 145 cars or 14 trucks plus 100 cars.	**PT**	**2024**

Here is another announcement for ship enthusiasts who have already been asking: we will be releasing the German Navy’s Class 707 replenishment tankers—currently still under construction—as soon as the first vessel (which does not yet have a name) is completed.

Wishing you a great time and lots of enjoyment with these models,

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