Historic Whaling Ship "Charles W. Morgan"

The wooden whaling ship "Charles W. Morgan" is the only surviving ship of its type still in existence. When she was built there were 730 ships of this type. On 21st July 1841 the fully-rigged ship was launched from the shipyard of Jethro & Zachariah Hillman in New Bedford, USA, and was called after her principal owner, the Quaker businessman Charles W. Morgan. Her wooden hull had no internal metal reinforcements, but below the waterline she was fitted with copper plates to protect against woodworm, in order to deceive and defend herself against pirates where there were also gun ports painted on the hull.

The whaler set off on her maiden voyage on 6th September 1841 and rounded Cape Horn into the Pacific. After three and a half years the vessel returned to her home port of New Bedford loaded with 381,532 litres of whale oil (whale oil was used as fuel for lamps) and 4.5 tonnes of whale bones. This represented a total value of $6,068 US dollars, which covered the building costs. In 1863 the Charles W. Morgan changed hands for the first time. The new ship owner was the firm J. & W. R. Wing also of New Bedford. Four years later, on grounds of cost, the ship was regaded as a barque and the new tonnage was registered. During 80 years in service the ship made a total of 37 voyages under 21 captains. The shortest voyages lasted nine months, the longest over five years. In total over 1,000 whalers, boilers and seamen signed on. All the crews, as a rule 30-35 men per voyage, caught more whales than any other whaling ship of the time. The overall catch of the Charles W. Morgan is 8,661,707 litres oil and 69.37 tonnes bones. Her territory extended over the Pacific, the Indian Ocean and the South Atlantic. In all sea areas she successfully withstood snow storms, ice fields and even an attack by cannibals.

After the decline of the whaling industry, one of the most important branches of industry in the USA up to the beginning of the 20th century, on 26th May 1921 the Charles W. Morgan was laid up. After she was retired from service "Whaling Enshrined Inc" took over the ship and brought her to Mystic, Connecticut. In November 1941 the Charles W. Morgan was moved to Mystic, Connecticut and became a museum ship in the whaling museum there. The museum is restoring worn out parts with original materials using original methods, so that she can still be seen as a museum ship in Mystic.
Benötigte Farben / Used Colors

A  Ackerbraun, matt 79
B  Lackbraun, matt 27
C  Untermischung von Ackerbraun und Lackbraun
D  Dunkelbraun, matt 86
E  Dunkelbraun, Joel
F  Dunkelbraun, Joel, matt 97
G  Dunkelbraun, Joel, matt 98
H  Dunkelbraun, Joel, matt 100


To achieve a weathered effect, colour the sails unevenly (curved motion) with a mixture of Revell-Flacher and four drops of colour.

Pour donner plus de réalisme, les voiles seront peintes irrégulièrement afin de donner un aspect "vieux". Cette opération s'effectuera à l'aide d'une éponge ou d'un pinceau, trempé dans un mélange de diluant Revell et de quelques gouttes de.

Ons een verweerde effect te bereiken, worden de zeilen met behulp van een spons voor het uitstrijken uit het blik met een mengsel van Revell-Verdünner en een paar druppeltjes verf waarde kleur en onregelmatig ingevoegd.

För att uppnå ett väderbestt utseende bör seglen målas själv om

Degen ser acceptabels las veiles al oggetah des kontakl: des efecto de intemperie, las veiles deben estar pintadas irregularmente.

Recendos lieux acharnés de l'aube et une mélange de diluant Revell fonctionnera bien et aucune déchirure Revell de plusieurs gouttes de couleur.

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Nepravilnoilni rob sazređivati prosvedenim blistom.

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Nenakono manešt z čaklico