



P-47D-30-RE, serial 44-20978, '603', "TORRID TESSIE / PHILADELPHIA FILLY" of FS 346th, 350th FG. Personal aircraft of Charles E. Gilbert. Note that aircraft has the dorsal fin installed.

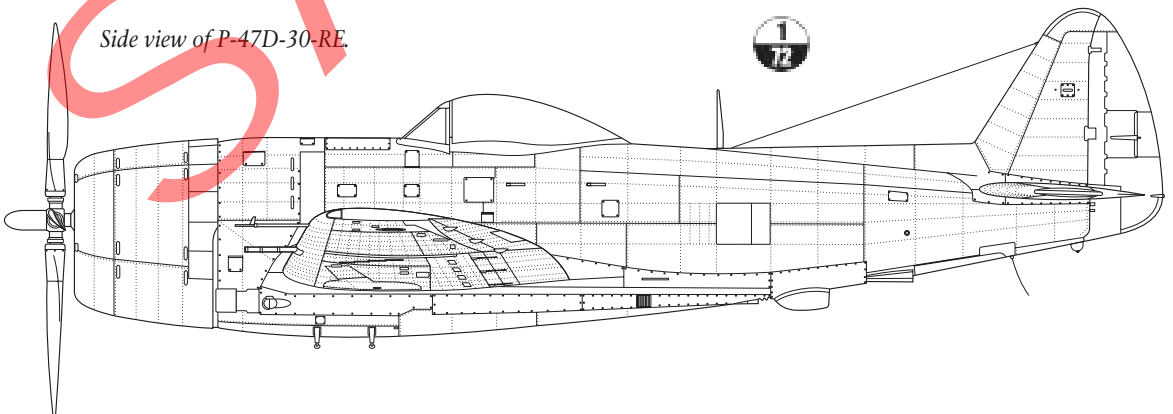
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P-47D-30-RA/RE

This version introduced a number of important changes. The aircraft were fitted with additional compressibility flaps to assist dive recovery. Also the ailerons were modified with a blunt leading edge, this improving high speed control. The rear-view mirror was repositioned inside the cockpit, attached to the windscreen framing. The spare optical gun sight was removed from the forward fuselage. Under-wing pylons were fitted permanently and an electric release system for the external stores was fitted. Aircraft built at Evansville featured Curtiss Electric C642S-B propellers. A change that was less noticeable externally was that the cockpit floor was now smooth, having been corrugated previously. In service most aircraft were retro-fitted with dorsal fillets.

This was the most numerous 'bubbletop' version: a total of 2,600 were built.

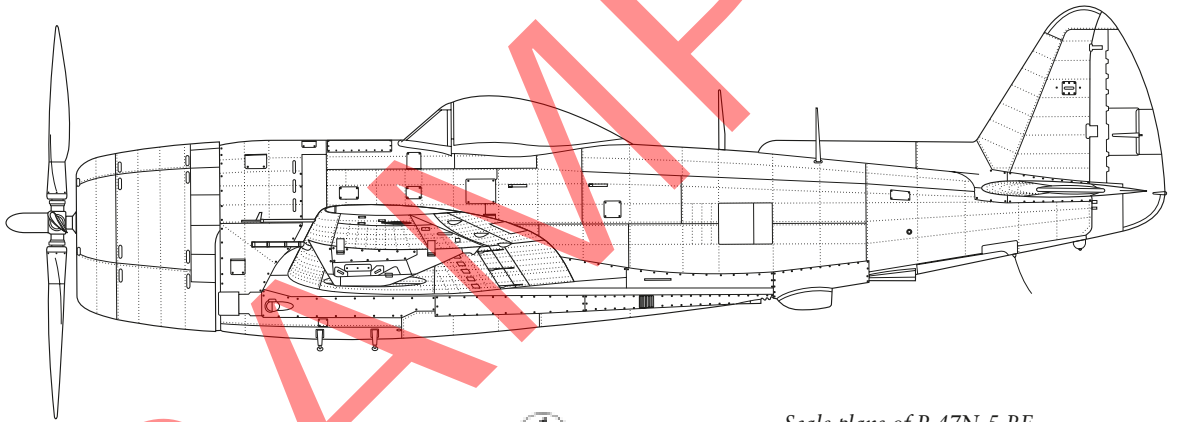
Side view of P-47D-30-RE.



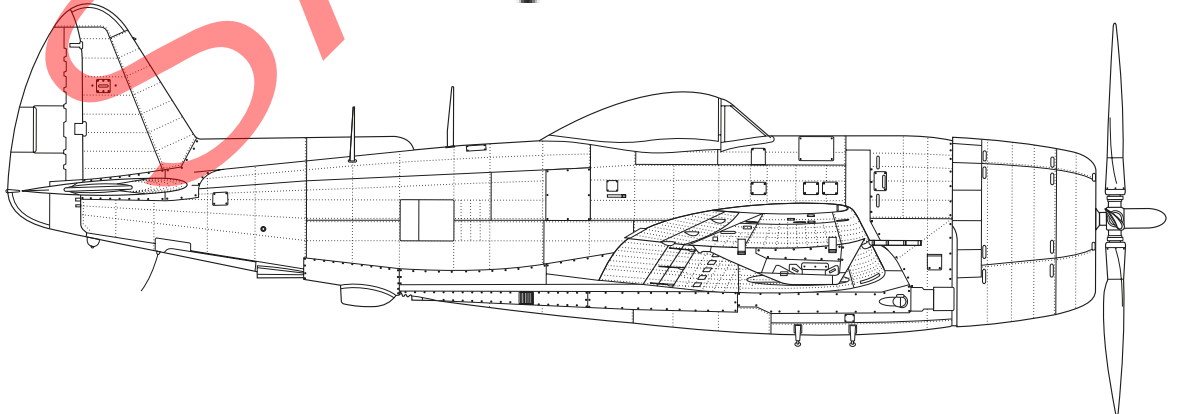


P-47N-1-RE, s/n 448819, '19', "Repulsive Thunderbox". Unit unknown.

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Scale plans of P-47N-5-RE.





Above: Rear view of P-47D, Duxford, UK.
(R. Pęczkowski)

Right: Portside of P-47D preserved at museum in Beijing, China.

(M. Orlog)

Below: P-47D, "Snortin' Bull 3rd". of 404th FG. Personal aircraft of James Mullins.

(via P. Skulski)





Above:
Port wingtip, red navigation lamp is visible.
(R. Pęczkowski)

Right:
Starboard aileron, fixed trim tab is visible.
(via P. Skulski)



Right and above, right:
Two photos of the wingtips. Three identification lights are visible. They were red, green and amber, from front to rear.
(P. Wiśniewski)



Republic P-47D/N Bubbletop

Two photos of the M26 cluster bombs used on Thunderbolts.

(P. Wiśniewski)



Below: M26 cluster bomb on the P-47D underwing pylon.

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F-47 D No. 1125 of 10 Escuadron de Caza-Bombardero, Dominican Air Force, (Fuerza Aerea Dominicana- FAD). Natural metal overall, black top of the fuselage with white trim. Red cowling and fuselage band with black trim.

