



Concord, British Airways Airplane Model

£4,800



REF: 29873

Height: 96 cm (37.8")

Width: 170 cm (66.9")

Depth: 73 cm (28.7")

Description

Reduced from £5,600 to £4,800

Rare Vintage 1:36 6' British Airways Concorde Aeroplane Model.

A very fine and rare vintage fibreglass and resin composite 1:36 scale model of Concorde in full British Airways 'Landor' livery. The splendid composite model is mounted on a tripod stand, and we believe, was made by the renowned model makers Space Models, circa 1990. Space Models were known to have made these scale models and they can be found with trade stickers on the bottom of the model, this concord does not have a sticker but it could easily have fallen off. Only a low number of these Concordes were made of this size and quality and were used as BA's marketing tool for their top travel agents.

Concorde's first flight was on 2nd March 1969, introduced on 21st January 1976, it's last commercial flight was on 24th October 2003. It was retired on 26th November 2003 with its final flight to Filton, Bristol, UK.

Concorde is a tailless aircraft design with a narrow fuselage permitting a 4-abreast seating for 92 to 128 passengers, an ogival delta wing and a droop nose for landing visibility. It is powered by four Rolls-Royce/Snecma Olympus 593 turbojets with variable engine intake ramps, and reheat for takeoff and acceleration to supersonic speed. Constructed out of aluminium, it was the first airliner to have analogue fly-by-wire flight controls. The airliner could maintain a supercruise up to Mach 2.04 (2,170 km/h; 1,170 kn) at an altitude of 60,000ft (18.3 km).

Space Models Ltd., Feltham, Greater London, was founded in 1964 and was recognised as one of the UK's leading companies in the production of Aerospace, Industrial, Military and Film & TV models and miniatures. They were bought out by OXON Technologies in 2006, but unfortunately went into receivership in 2009 after an illustrious run of over 45 years.

Space Models screen credits included 2001: A Space Odyssey, Thunderbirds, Space 1999, Joe 90, Captain Scarlet, Those Magnificent Men In Their Flying Machines, James Bond movies, Blakes 7 and numerous other TV shows and films.

The Landor livery was the second livery introduced after the operations of BEA and BOAC merged under the British Airways brand from 1974, with BA being granted a coat of arms in 1975.

Its Landor livery replaced the first livery which was designed by Negus & Negus.

It was officially unveiled on 4 December 1984, keeping the quarter Union Jack from the Negus livery, with the BA coat of arms on the tail fin.

The central shield of BA's coat of arms features a quarter union flag which appeared on the first two British Airways liveries, Negus and Landor. The shield is supported by a winged horse and a winged lion. The lion, as the heraldic symbol of England and is shown with wings to reflect flying and a crown to reflect supremacy. Above the shield is a helmet, topped with an astral cloud and a full sun. The motto is "To Fly. To Serve".