

MODELLING EQUIPMENT PREVIEW
BADGER RENEGADE SERIES 'RAGE'
 DOUBLE-ACTION AIRBRUSH



IT'S ALL THE RAGE!

The Editor takes a look at Badger's cool new 'Rage' airbrush from the Renegade series...

The first 'proper' airbrush I owned was a Badger 100 side-feed and I partly funded its purchase with a £25 gift token I received for winning model contest – the only modelling contest I ever won in fact! This all happened many, many years ago (the late 1970s I think) and that airbrush served me well – in fact I still use it from time to time. Ever since then, I have had a fondness for Badger airbrushes, so it was a treat to get a 'hands-on' test of one of the latest models, the 'Rage' from Badger's Renegade Series. It's a double action, syphon-feed 'brush similar to my old 100 and features the same beautifully weighted balance of that design. Unlike the 100 though, the Rage sports a funky industrial-looking gunmetal finish instead of chrome and I really rather like it - it looks like the type of airbrush Mad Max might have customised his

Falcon interceptor with... The crown is now a two-pronged design instead of the fully-rounded type and this cutaway version gives a far better view of the needle for close-up work, a good design touch. The handle features a screw-in needle stop for spraying fixed-width patterns the handle itself has a Coke-bottle shaped mid section that fits into the hand nicely. The air-hose attachment point is the same, reliable Badger screw-fit as always so there's no need to change your Badger hose to use this 'brush. The Rage comes with a .33mm tip which will allow spray patterns fine enough for most modelling applications; the Rage's two brothers, the 'Velocity' and 'Spirit' come with .21mm tips for even finer work. Also in the very cool, foam-lined, mini flight-case in which the Rage travels is a 3/4 fluid ounce (22ml) glass paint jar and a 1/4 fluid ounce (7.5ml) metal paint cup, both of

which are a friction-fit to the airbrush's paint intake. The paint cup can be fitted on the left or righthand side according to which is your dominant hand.

It was a real pleasure to have a Badger in my hand again, and the new Rage feels very solid and refined. Where's the 'test' portion of this review you might ask? Well, I used it to spray the camouflage on the Tamiya Spitfire this issue, so you can judge for yourself... ● MN

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BADGER RENEGADE SERIES 'RAGE' AIRBRUSH
 TYPEDOUBLE ACTION,
 INTERNAL MIX, SYPHON FEED
 TIP SIZE......33MM
 MATERIALS... GUNMETAL PLATED BRASS
 AVAILABILITY.....
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TMMI'S OPINION?

BADGER'S VAST EXPERIENCE WITH TOP QUALITY AIRBRUSH MANUFACTURE SHOWS IN THIS MODEL
 MIGHT BE NICE TO HAVE AN EXTRA, FINER TIP-SET AND NEEDLE INCLUDED IN THE BOX?



Needle stop on handle.



Comfortable finger-trigger.



Two sizes of paint vessel are included.



Body is in a cool gunmetal colour.



Classic needle-chuck design lies beneath the handle.



The crown features a two-pronged design for a clear view of the needle.