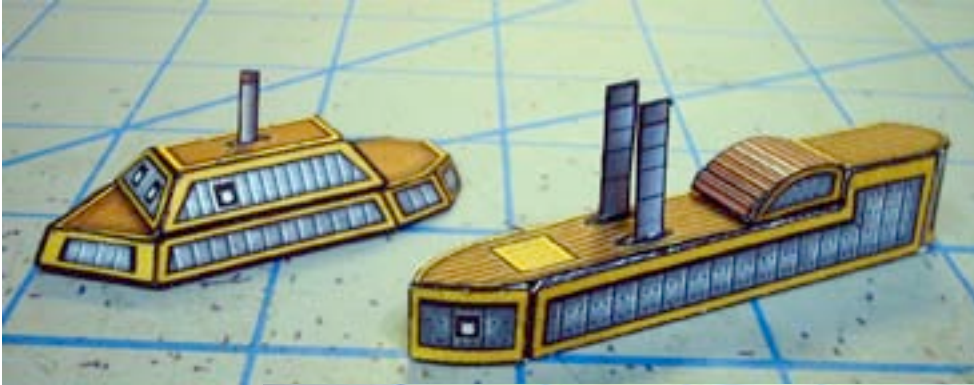


Ironclads #3 – Rajah escort gunboats
&
Kahn'Estoga transports



Hello again, two more ships in this batch. The gunboat is very simple and follows the same guidelines as presented in the IC#1 instructions. The transport has some curved bits and a detached deck. Here's how it works;



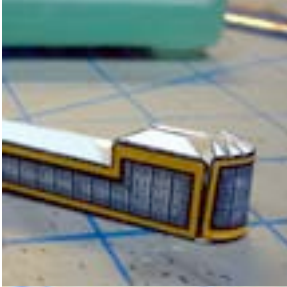
1) First off, score these two lines, indicated in grey on the layout sheet.



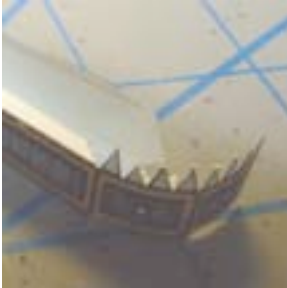
2) Then fold your deck pieces like so. The stern is raised you see?



3) Fold up the sides of the hull and put a little curve into the bow sections and the stern section wraparound.



4) The stern section wraps around like so to join to the hull section on the other side.



5) Then the bow curves around like so. It's easiest to do the hull sections one side at a time.



6) Then the other side of the bow wraps around to connect to the other side of the hull.



7) Glue the deck to the hull starting with the vertical rectangle section that divides the lower deck from the upper deck. Remember to install the smokestacks before glueing the deck in place.



8) Glue the deck surfaces down to the hull tabs, one section (either upper or lower deck) at a time. It should look something like this.



9) Sometimes it helps to put a heavy weight on top of a piece to hold it down while the glue sets.

This picture is a fine illustration of one of the reasons I like to work with 110lb stock – strength.

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