

## Pilatus PC-6 Porter "Argentina Gendarmeria Nacional" (various scales possible)

### INTRODUCTION

The Pilatus PC-6 Porter is a single-engined STOL utility aircraft designed by Pilatus Aircraft of Switzerland. First flown in 1959, the PC-6 was produced at Pilatus Flugzeugwerke in Stans, Switzerland. It has been built in both piston engine- and turboprop-powered versions, and was produced under licence for a time by Fairchild Hiller in the United States. After 604 deliveries in 63 years, Pilatus ended production in 2022.

Source: Wikipedia

The "Gendarmeria Nacional Argentina" is the frontier border guard of Argentina. The air wing is based at Campo de Mayo and flies a variety of fixed wing aircraft and helicopters like Eurocopter EC135, AS.350 and Agusta AW119 and AW169. One of the fixed wing aircraft types are some 12 PC-6 B2-H2 Porters with first delivery in 1977 and flying in several schemes.

### MODEL KITS

In **1/48** scale PC-6 kits are available of Roden (also released by Heller).

In **1/72** scale Classic Plane, BPK and DORA wings released kits. Oldies are a vacu of Formaplane and High Planes.

In **1/144** scale BPK released a kit.

A model may require small extra's like such as antennas. Add an extra structural bar at the tail wheel strut.

### DECAL SYSTEM and APPLICATION

The laserprinted decal sheet has ONE continuous print film, so EACH decal needs to be cut out with fine scissors. No other prior decal preparation is needed. Each cut out decal can be applied as usual after soaking it a short while in water. Decals are EXTREMELY THIN, so slide off from the wet backing sheet on the model surface. Do not use tweezers! They will fold doubled!

Note that a decal that contains a white or light section has often an extra accompanying white decal to put underneath on dark surfaces. On the decals sheet you will often see an "arrow" to indicate this way of application (on white under surfaces, the white section is optional).

After all decals have been applied, finish the model with your preferred final gloss or semi-matt varnish coats. This will also protect the decals.

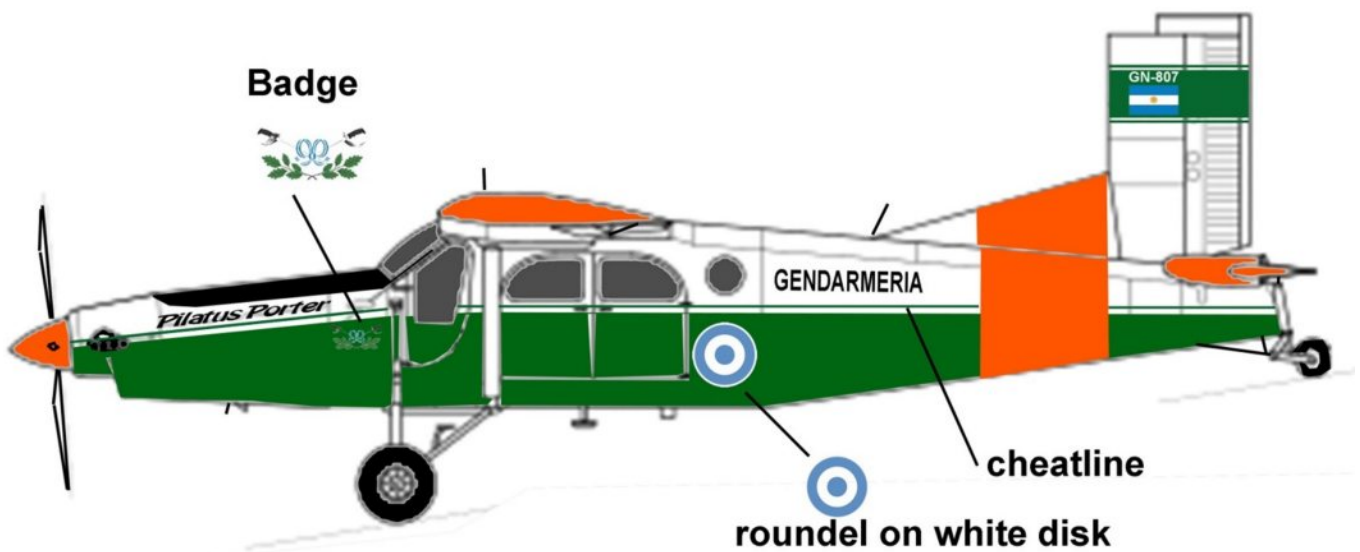
### PAINTING AND DECALS

Argentina Pilatus PC-6 Porter, coded GN-807, is a PC-6 B2-H2 with serial c/n 994. It was still flown in 2022.

The main colours are gloss white upper surfaces, wing and tailplanes. The lower fuselage colour with tiny cheatline is green (approx. FS34088 / ANA613). Bright orange panels are at tips of wing, tailplanes and an orange fuselage band. Careful masking is needed.

Set after painting the tiny cheatline on the model in sections. Small code and flag on vertical tail. It is unclear if the nose badge is set on both sides.

Tip: on internet, it is quite easy to find photos of these Argentinian Porters.



Pilatus PC-6 B2-H2 , GN-807, Gendarmeria Nacional Argentina.

Please visit website: [www.aircraftinplastic.com](http://www.aircraftinplastic.com)