

### PLANKED VILLAGE HOUSE

**Company:** Sarissa Precision

**Size:** 15mm

**Era:** nineteenth- or twentieth-century

**Price:** £10.00 per house

**www.sarissa-precision.com**



There are plenty of campaigns that take place in the jungles of the Far East, from Burma to Vietnam. Sarissa Precision have released a range of 15mm buildings suitable for these conflicts, which made this reviewer slightly nostalgic for the old Airfix 'Bamboo House'. There are currently nine kits in this range: seven village houses, one watchtower, and one open-air village meeting hall. The kit comes with simple instructions and all the parts fit together very well – it took approximately 10 minutes to construct with some PVA glue. Construction is straightforward; there is nothing challenging here. The model has a lift-off roof, so troops can be placed inside the building. The kit comes unpainted, but a small amount of painting or staining should produce some excellent results. If you're into gaming the Far East in 15mm, these are for you.

### CHEVROLET 1.5 TON TRUCK

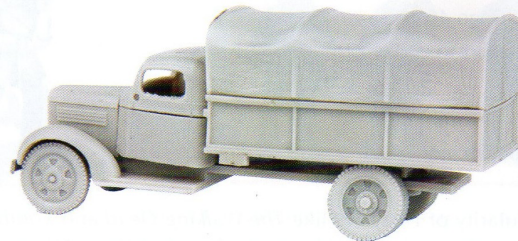
**Company:** Minairons Miniatures

**Size:** 1/56 scale (28mm)

**Era:** Inter-war and World War II

**Price:** €24.95 (£19.70)

**www.minairons.eu**



The Chevrolet 1.5-ton was a typical civilian truck, produced during the 1930s and exported widely. Notably, they were used in the Spanish Civil War and by the Belgian army in World War Two, although examples could be found almost anywhere. Similar vehicles were used by the US army and the British (the LRDG), but these would need considerable conversion. The kit itself consists of 17 parts (six are metal), but don't let that put you off. It is easily assembled and all the parts fit together very well. The canvas roof is optional and the rear is hollow, allowing the truck to serve as open-topped as well. The metal parts (headlights, bumper, and wing mirrors) are the only slightly fiddly bits. Overall, this is a nice kit that's useful for 1930s and early 1940s games, including pulp and *A Very British Civil War*. It is available from Plastic Soldier Company in the UK.

### PANZER IV

**Company:** Warlord Games

**Size:** 1/56 (28mm)

**Era:** World War II

**Price:** £18.00

**www.warlordgames.com**



The Panzer IV was the true 'workhorse' tank of the Second World War, serving throughout the entire period. The Warlord Panzer IV can be built as an Ausf. F1, F2, G, or H, making the kit suitable for all theatres from mid-1941 (when the first F1 was produced with a short-barrelled 75mm L24 howitzer). From early 1942, all models were equipped with the longer-barrelled 75mm L43, with its better range and tank-killing capacity. Earlier marks were upgraded to the longer 75mm (although some F1s served in the desert until 1943). Finally, the Ausf. H, produced from 1943, had a new muzzle brake. The Panzer IV was equal to even the most advanced Allied tanks until the final stages of the war. The detail on this 1/56 scale kit is excellent and construction is straightforward. Transfers are included. The tracks come in two halves, allowing them to be painted separately. The kit fits together very well and is highly detailed. This is an excellent and versatile kit that will be a must-have for any German mid- or late-war gamer.