



E.F.E. new tooling 2019

London Transport Cravens RT

New 1/76 scale diecast tooling from E.F.E. by Bachmann



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London Transport Cravens RT Bus

In the early post-war years when coachbuilders Park Royal Vehicles and Weymann were at full capacity and unable to fully meet London Transport's enormous requirements for new RT buses, tenders to supply were sent to other manufacturers. Saunders Engineering of Anglesey and Cravens Railway Carriage & Wagon Co. of Sheffield built 300 and 120 RTs respectively. Saunders RTs were similar to standard RTs in many respects, and were interchangeable with the Park Royal and Weymann bodies on overhaul, but Cravens RTs were quite different. The 5-bay window design could not be mixed with standard bodies at overhaul, and although well-built, all except one were sold when only seven years old. Cravens RTs were quickly bought by independent bus operators, glad to acquire youthful London-spec vehicles in excellent condition, and gave long reliable service to their new owners in many parts of the UK. Today two complete Cravens RTs are preserved in full running order, RT1431 and RT1499, both with Ensignbus.

The E.F.E. Cravens RT tooling is brand new. Features include a new single-piece body, detailed interior with new seating and handrails, and a new chassis. Only the front and rear wheel hubs are used from the original E.F.E. RT!

Our thanks to Ensignbus, London Transport Museum and London Bus Museum for their assistance.

Collectors! Join in the design process and let us know which routes, destinations and fleet numbers you would like to see on the first Cravens RT releases.

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| E40301 | Cravens RT London Transport green & cream livery | RRP £39.95 |
| E40302 | Cravens RT London Transport green livery | RRP £39.95 |
| E40303 | Cravens RT London Transport red & cream livery | RRP £39.95 |
| E40304 | Cravens RT London Transport red livery | RRP £39.95 |

Send your suggestions to The Bus Works, Bachmann Europe Plc, 13 Moat Way, Barwell, Leics LE9 8EY or by email to busworks@bachmann-europe.co.uk Closing date 30 June 2019.

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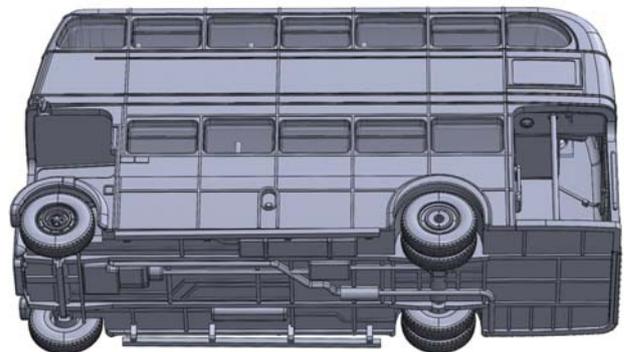
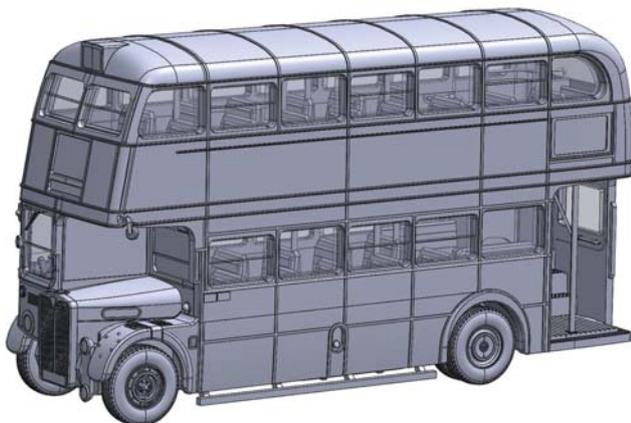
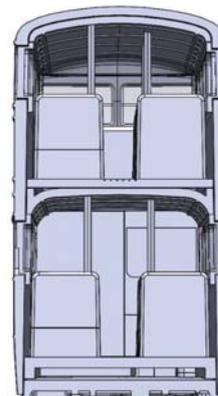
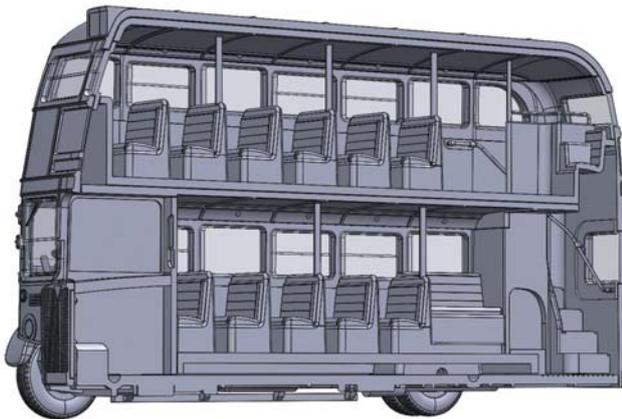


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