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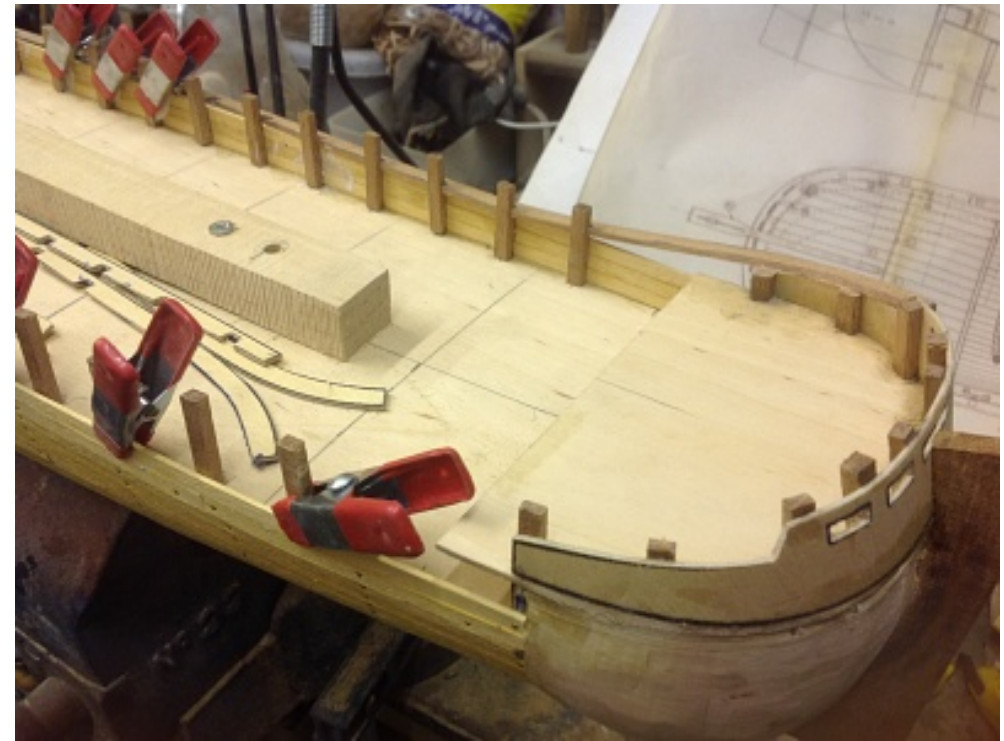
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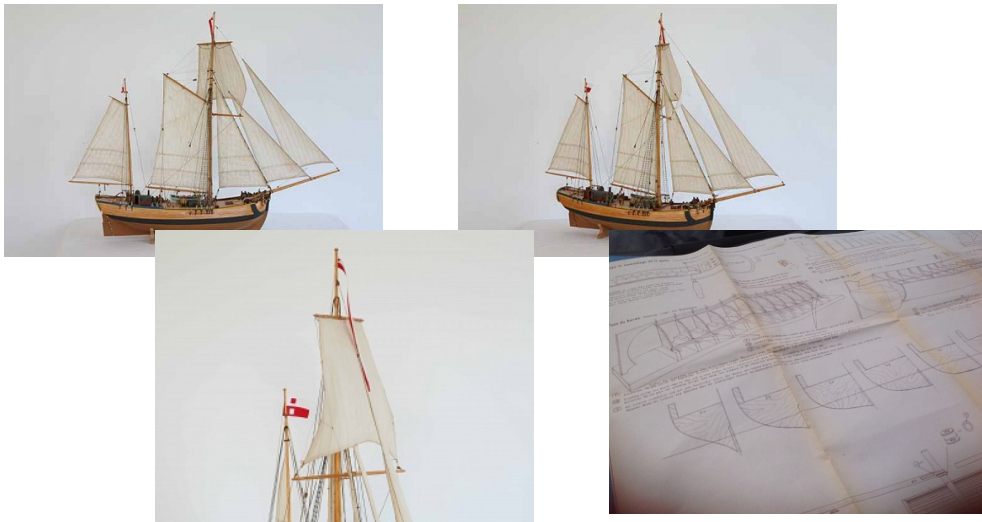


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## Dutch Gallot trading Vessel, initial research and build.

Well , I bought a job lot on eBay, a bundle of Part built display model ship's kits. I bought this mainly for the wood, boat parts etc. To my surprise, I picked up two large boxes of stuff. These boxes contained six partly built models, the hulls seemed to have been started but interest seemed to wane at finishing the rigging and details. Anyway sorting through mountains of stuff, I sorted out what was possible to complete like the Bounty etc. However I found one box of stuff contain parts to make a Dutch Trading Vessel but in this case no hull parts. The great thing was that a good set of plans containing the hull frame details. There are a set of instructions in French. Using google translate and my limited knowledge of french managed to work out a parts listing. I spent some time researching using Mr Google, I could not find any detail of the kit, or the boat. However I found the following. A galiot was a type of Dutch or German merchant ship of 20 to 400 tons (bm), similar to a ketch, with a rounded fore and aft like a fluyt. Galiots had nearly flat bottoms to sail in shallow waters. These ships were especially favored for coastal navigation in the North and Baltic seas. I did not find a lot of info however I found below The galeas is a small type of trade ship, used mainly in the Baltic Sea and North Sea. It was popular from the 17th to the early 20th centuries. The galeas was derived from the Dutch galiot. A galiot had a similar rig, but a rounded stern.

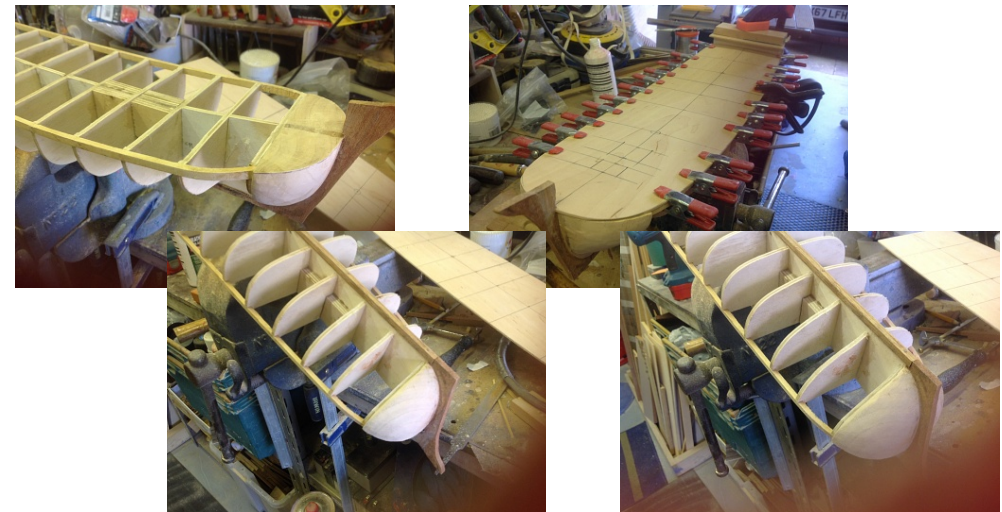
<https://www.modelships.de/Galeas-Stettin/Galeas-Stettin.htm> Looking at its details it looked almost identical to my plans and there are loads of detailed photographs. So being what I think is a fairly unique build I thought I would have a go. So I am building the hull, using the plans for the frames 4mm ply. the hull planking is double planked. this I assume I have to skin the hull using mahogany strips on top of the first layer of planking. Is This a correct assumption?



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## Hull and Deck

Decided to replace the thin veneer deck supplied with kit , with 1mm plywood to stiffen up the hull. Shaped lime wood blocks fitted for the bow and stern laminating mahogany bow and stern posts. When deck is secure, will trim the edges to the frame.



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## Hull Planking to deck level

Screwed a block of wood to the deck to allow the hull to be held securely upside down in a vice. Started planking. Just using the experience gained in Planking other hulls, I just used tapered planks where required. Having a belt sander this is not difficult. I would say 60% of the planking did not require tapering. Each plank was pinned each frame. This hull is to be double planked so all that is required is a smooth finish. At the moment, some shaping of the bow and stern required. Next stage is how to go about planking the "bulwarks"



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## Bulwarks and hand Rails

Hull Planking build up to handrail level. the kit had a plywood handrail but I dumped that and made mahogany ones. The mahogany used was from lift door surrounds from the 1950s. These were 12"x2" planks. Believe it or not these had be painted over. Handy having a son who is a lift engineer. Some advice is required on double planking the hull in mahogany strip. Do I soak the strips first? What type of glue would you use? I think this double planking is going to be tricky, any advice welcome. Thanks in advance.

