

Description of the Dornier 217 parts found on 14 Septembre 2013

A global view of the parts found





Un aileron portion with camouflage in very good condition

On the extrado : RLM 74 paint (dark grey), with zebra in RLM 76 (grey blue) or RLM 77 (light grey), and under is RLM 76. This camouflage was used by the night fighters.



Oxygen Bottles



A beautiful plate showing fuel management intructions.

The aircraft type « K3 » is mentioned ; (the aircraft was a Dornier217K3 »)



A cover that was used to protect electrical devices (see the symbol)



With lateral opening for air circulation and instructions on how to remove it ;



Many cables : this aircraft launched flying bombs (Henschel 293 or Fritz X) which were remote controlled, thus there were many electrical components (boxes, cables)



Plates showing the radios part number. The one on the right is very interesting because it shows "FUG203" which is the part number of the radio controlling the flying bombs, thus confirming the function of this Do217.



Interesting marking : « nicht anfassen » (do not walk)



These plugs are interesting because they used to protect the guns from the rain and the ice. They popped out automatically when the gunner was shooting. Their presence shows that the aircraft was flying back home without having shot a single bullet, thus it had been a « quiet » mission since they had not been attacked.



A door with camouflage . Lockers are still in very good shape.





A big airframe part has to be mentioned. It does not show a great interest except the manufacturing process. There is no paint left, and there are no markings but « nicht anfassen » = do not walk.