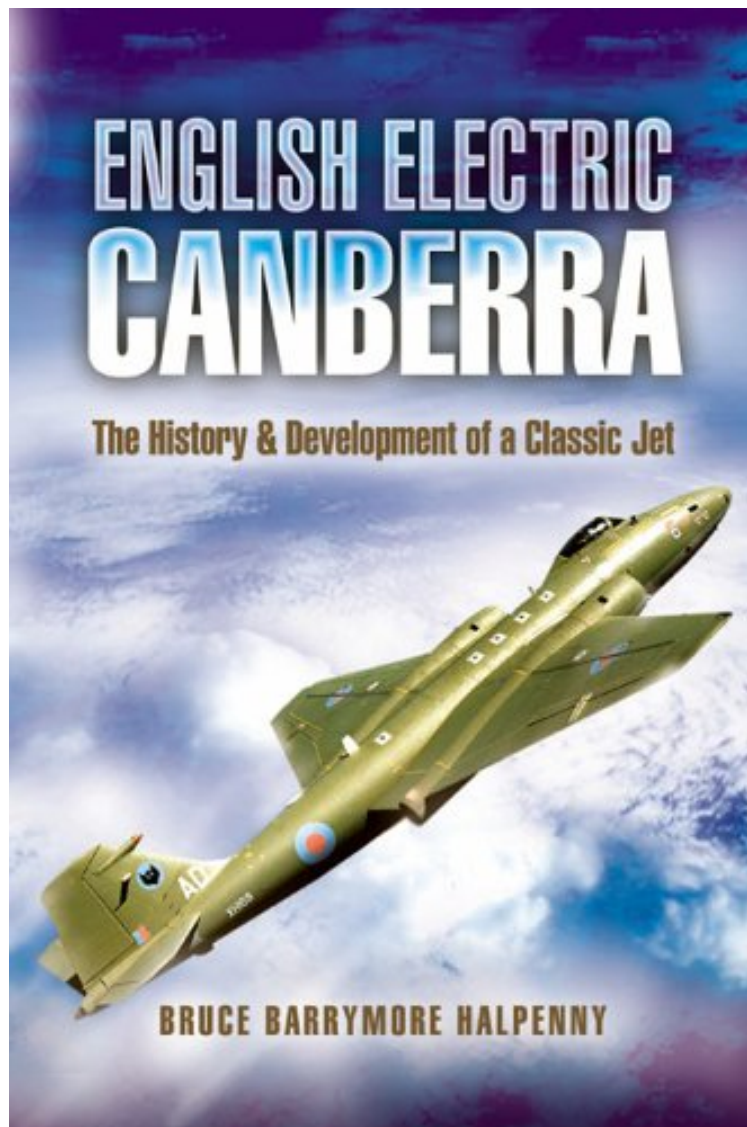


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3 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Beautiful book on a beautiful airplane. By M. Frost Anyone interested in the development and deployment of the Canberra light/medium bomber and photo-recce plane should absolutely own this book. The plethora of magnificent photographs is worth it alone. Be advised, however, that this work is very UK/RAF oriented. There is some information tied to the American B-57 and foreign users (esp. Argentina, Australia, India), but that is pretty limited and mainly concentrated in Chpt. 5, pgs. 81-104. My biggest disappointment is the lack of reader helps regarding the Canberra. There is no chart showing exactly how many of each mark or variant were produced/converted; no chart showing each national user with the numbers and types used; very limited technical performance data for the variants (just 2 pages and only some limited data on just the B.Mk2/6/8(I), PR.Mk3/7, T.Mk4) or the engines. Thus there is no performance data for the PR.Mk9. There is no table of losses. Anyone interested in learning about how the plane flew or performed in combat will be disappointed. There is little information about how valuable the platform was in the reconnaissance role (either for RAF or other users). This book is more about very basic facts tied to the plane and RAF squadrons. Take the two variants I'm most interested in, B.Mk15/16. They are just briefly mentioned on pgs. 69, 73-74, 191-192 (AMAC LABS related). There is very little information about the use of the Canberra during the Suez Crisis. Or India's use regarding Pakistan or China. There is a bit more regarding the Argentine use in the Falklands (pgs. 96-103). There is next to no information about nuclear ordinance or deployments. There is no photograph of any nuclear ordinance either on or near a Canberra. No discussion of any yield information. Essentially nothing about the nuclear role. The section on the development of the Avon engine and its variants is one of the more informative.

Contents:- Introduction, 2 pgs.- Acknowledgments, 2 pgs.- Glossary, 2 pgs.- 11 chapters (pgs. 12-205) -- English Electric Canberra -- Rolls-Royce Avon -- Canberra Marks and Production -- Conversion Variants -- Overseas Orders and Production -- Canberra Squadrons [RAF only][There is an unpaginated 16-page section of colour photographs here in the middle of the book.] -- Miscellaneous Canberra Units [RAF only] -- Experimental Canberras [UK only] -- Camouflage and Markings [mainly RAF] -- Armament [work done by Marshall of Cambridge (Engineering) Ltd.], 6 pgs. -- Bombing-up of Canberra Aircraft: 'Day One' Problems [Ken Wallis' work], 13 pgs.- Index, 3 pgs.- Colour Profiles (by Dave Windle), 8 pgs. [incl. B-57]

This amazing airplane first flew in 1949 and is still in front-line service with the RAF. It has served in a variety of roles including those of tactical bomber, photo-reconnaissance, navigational trainer, maritime strike, electronic countermeasures and target-towing. It was manufactured in the USA under license as the Martin B-57 and has been exported to Argentina, Chile, India, Peru, South Africa and other Commonwealth countries. This book looks at the development of the aircraft during the early days of jet power and especially at its Rolls-Royce Avon power-plant. Each of the many marks and variants are described and illustrated by many remarkable and rare photographs. The type's record of service with RAF squadrons throughout its service life is given together with descriptions of the many experimental models that were used in the development of a variety of weapons and avionic systems.

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