



SUNSHINE MODELS

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HO Kits of Steel Side Rebuilds of USRA Boxcars C&NW, CMO and RI cars with Viking roof

Sunshine Models is introducing a series of small-lot kits of interest to prototype modelers and Midwestern fans. The first two kits are of the C&NW 65000 series and CMO 37100 series steel side rebuilds of double sheathed USRA boxcars with white lettering. Another kit is of the Rock Island 38000 series cars, ex-C&NW/CMO cars leased to the RI in 1955. Also available is a Masters Edition kit of the CMO 1658 series car, repainted yellow and green in 1953-54. All kits feature the distinctive Viking roof, the only such roof design available in HO scale.

Some 1200 of the C&NW's USRA double sheathed cars were rebuilt in 1937 and bore the "Route of The 400 and The Streamliner" logo. The rebuilding entailed increasing the height of the cars to 10' 1", adding 8 panel steel sides and the unique Viking steel roof. In 1941 and 1942 the "Omaha Road" completed a nearly identical but smaller rebuilding of two hundred cars. They featured a similar slogan which dropped the parent's reference to Streamliners. In 1953 and 1954 the CMO achieved more notice for their rebuilds by reconditioning these cars with power hand brakes and steel roofwalks. The cars were painted in the attractive C&NW yellow and green colors with "Route of the 400" slogan and advertised The 400 throughout the country. The Rock Island leased 100 of these C&NW/CMO cars in 1955 and repainted them with the traditional RI logo and "Route of the Rockets" slogan.

The Sunshine kits follow the design of the earlier M.P. panel and non-panel side gondolas, a few of which are still available. Castings of the sides, roof, ends and underbody are provided in flexible styro-urethane. Top quality detailing parts are provided from other hobby sources. Specialized decals for the type of car are included. Extensive instructions, including detailed history, complete the kit. In the case of the Masters Edition, the proper color separated decals are provided along with the Cape Line Andrews trucks. Fifty kits of the C&NW 65000 series, fifty of the CMO 37100 series, 25 of the RI car and 25 of the CMO yellow and green car have been built. Kits are available by mail order only. A money back guarantee is included.

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- _____ Kit #2.1, C&NW 65000 series steel side rebuilds of the USRA double sheathed box car with white decals, \$23.
 - _____ Kit #2.2, Omaha Road (C,St.P,M & O) 37100 series rebuilds with white decals \$23,
 - _____ Kit #2.3, Rock Island 38000 series cars, leased ex-C&NW cars, with white decals \$23,
 - _____ Kit, #2.4, Omaha Road rebuilds of post-1953 with yellow and green decals and Cape Line Andrews trucks, \$29
 - _____ Kit #1.1, M.P. 22000 series panel gondola, \$22
 - _____ Kit #1.2, M.P. 23775 series non-panel gondola, \$22
- Please add \$2 for shipping and CA residents include 6% sales tax.

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