

Trainer Airplane Suggestions

This is just a small selection of trainer airplanes. Most trainers are electric powered, but gas and nitro are also available. Almost-Ready-to-Fly (ARF) models will take one to ten hours to complete depending upon the model. Some take nothing more than charging the battery to get flying. Generally, the larger the wingspan the easier it is to fly and the more wind the model will handle. 60" and above is a good size. Don't be tempted to start with something small or fast or inappropriate for a beginner.

Woodland Aero Modelers offers free flight training using the buddy-box method. The instructor's and student's radios are linked together and the instructor can take control at any time. Mastering take-off, landing and basic flight should not take you too long.

Come along to one of our Open Houses on June 10th or July 2nd, from 11am – 3pm, or contact John Baderman 630.408.6668 <u>jb@baderman.co.uk</u> to arrange an introductory training flight at another time. Check our website in case of cancellation due to bad weather. <u>www.woodlandaeromodelers.org</u>

• Apprentice – 59" wingspan – SAFE technology with 3 flight modes – Z-foam construction – 3 cell electric – easy install floats also available



Ready to Fly package includes radio, flight battery and charger **\$280**

Bind & Fly package without the radio \$250

Mini Apprentice RTF - 48" wingspan \$230

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• **Sportsman S+** - 55" wingspan - SAFE technology with 3 flight modes and GPS – Z-foam construction – 3 cell electric – HD camera ready



Ready to Fly package includes radio, flight battery and charger **\$260**

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 Sensei FS EP – 58" wingspan - WISE 3-axis with three flight modes – AeroCell foam – 3 cell electric – drop door on 5th channel



Ready to Fly package includes flight battery, radio and charger **\$300**

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• Avistar Elite – 63" wingspan – all wood construction – requires some simple assembly



Ready To Fly Package includes OS 0.46 nitro engine, radio and servos **\$340**

Bare plane \$110

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Hobby King <u>www.hobbyking.com</u> Probably the largest on-line retailer based in Hong Kong but with two warehouses in the USA

Hobby Partz www.hobbypartz.com / Nitro Planes www.nitroplanes.com On-line retailer

Hobby Town www.hobbytown.com Retailer with several area stores

Leisure Hours Hobbies <u>www.leisurehours.com</u> Local retailer, 16300 S. Lincoln Highway, Plainfield, (815) 439-1477

SIG <u>www.sigmfg.com</u> Manufacturer and on-line retailer, including some great beginner airplanes

Value Hobby <u>www.valuehobby.com</u> On-line retailer with local warehouse and a good selection of cheaper trainers and batteries



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