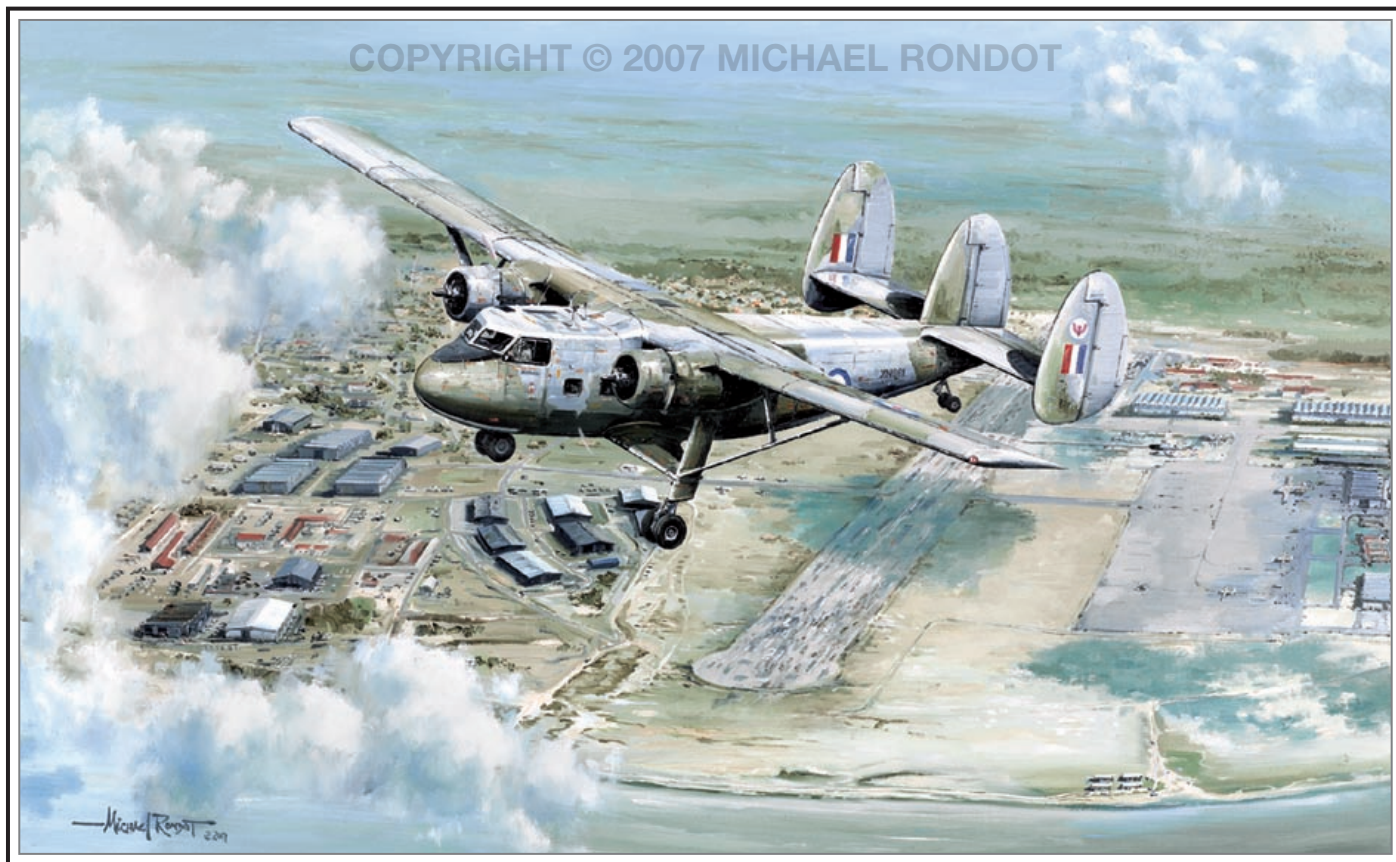


# TWIN PIONEER

— MICHAEL RONDOT —

*Royal Air Force Twin Pioneer in action over Seletar, Singapore. A limited edition of only 90 artist-signed copies.*



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75 giclée artist's proofs: £120

10 remarques: £235

Size: 620x450mm (24x18inches) (image size: 540x355)

5 giclée canvas: £375 (image: 760x500 30x20ins)

**K**nown affectionately by its crews as the "Twin Pin", the Scottish Aviation Twin Pioneer was an outstanding short take-off and landing tactical transport aircraft. In RAF service, it was used mainly in the Far East, where its STOL qualities enabled it to operate into remote strips just a few hundred metres long, often in rough inhospitable terrain or jungle clearings well beyond the range of helicopters.

RAF Twin Pioneers saw action in Aden, Kenya, Kuwait and finally, Malaya and Borneo, where it was pressed into service as a bomber for a short time during intense fighting. Popular with its air and ground crews, Twin Pioneers were often flown by ex-fighter pilots, who enjoyed exploiting its slow-flying qualities on operational sorties in support of Special Forces.

In civilian guise, twenty countries operated the "Twin Pin" and several are still flying, the best known being the former ETPS example operated by Air Atlantique. The aircraft represented in Mike Rondot's remarkably detailed painting is XM961, which is now at the Museum of Flight, East Fortune.

The edition is limited to only 85 giclée prints on heavyweight fine art paper with just 5 canvas prints, each signed and numbered by the artist and stamped with the publisher's seal to guarantee the edition size.

***This limited edition print is available in three versions: Artist's proof; remarque; canvas giclée.***

## GICLÉE CANVAS MASTERWORKS

These beautiful artist-signed prints on canvas replicate the look and feel of the original painting with striking effect, making it extremely difficult at first sight to differentiate between the original and the reproduction. Only FIVE are issued with this edition, with an image size of 760x500mm, 30x20 inches.

## ARTIST'S PROOFS

The 75 Artist's Proofs in this edition represent a rare opportunity for collectors to own an individually produced giclée print on heavyweight fine art paper. These prints are expensive to create, but ensure the highest quality reproduction of the original oil painting.

## REMARQUE PRINTS

Especially prized for their rarity value and personal touch, remarque prints have a detailed original pencil drawing of a Twin Pioneer added to the print border. Purchasers may specify individual squadron aircraft and badges to personalise their print, and add an inscription if desired.

