Supermarine Walrus Mk.I, Irish Air Corps N18.

N18 was one of three Walrus Mk.I aircraft operated by the Irish Air Corps during the 1939-45 period. Based at Rineanna (now Shannon), they conducted neutrality patrols along Ireland's western seaboard, observing intrusions by belligerent aircraft and naval vessels, drifting mines and survivors from sunken ships. The Walrus' main patrol area stretched from the Shannon Estuary southwards around the coast to Cork.

The enclosed paint files depict the aircraft in it's delivery scheme.

N18, N19 and N20 were diverted from British orders and were delivered new to Ireland on the 3rd of March 1939. N18 was damaged during delivery and did not enter service until some time later. It was the sole surviving Air Corps Walrus and was passed on to Aer Lingus in 1946 as EI-ACC and was subsequently sold as G-AIZG. It has survived to this day and now resides at the Fleet Air Arm Museum.

Flying The Walrus.
The Walrus cruises between 95 and 120mph. Normal patrol speed would be around 95. Water landing is at about 60mph with a little power. See http://www.sticknrudder.co.uk/walrus_article.htm for a good note on the subject.

About the files.
This is a paint and detail set for Jaques Brault's Walrus Mk.I for X-Plane 8.64 and 9 In addition to the paint files, it includes:
1. A modified cockpit object - front crewman and machine gun removed; rear machine gun removed; wing cut-out plugged and a few little details added.
2. A new "rods.obj". The Bristol Pegasus (and their other poppet valve engines) had four valves and forked rockers with a distinctive single pushrod tunnel. I have replaced Jaques' generic pushrod objects with a more suitable representation.
3. Modified paint files for the objects.

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