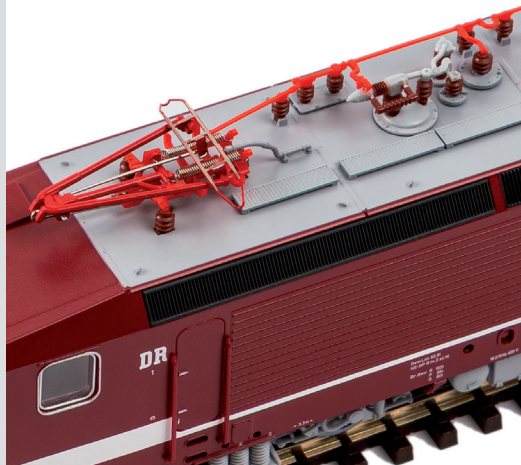


PIKO Electric loco Class 243 DR IV

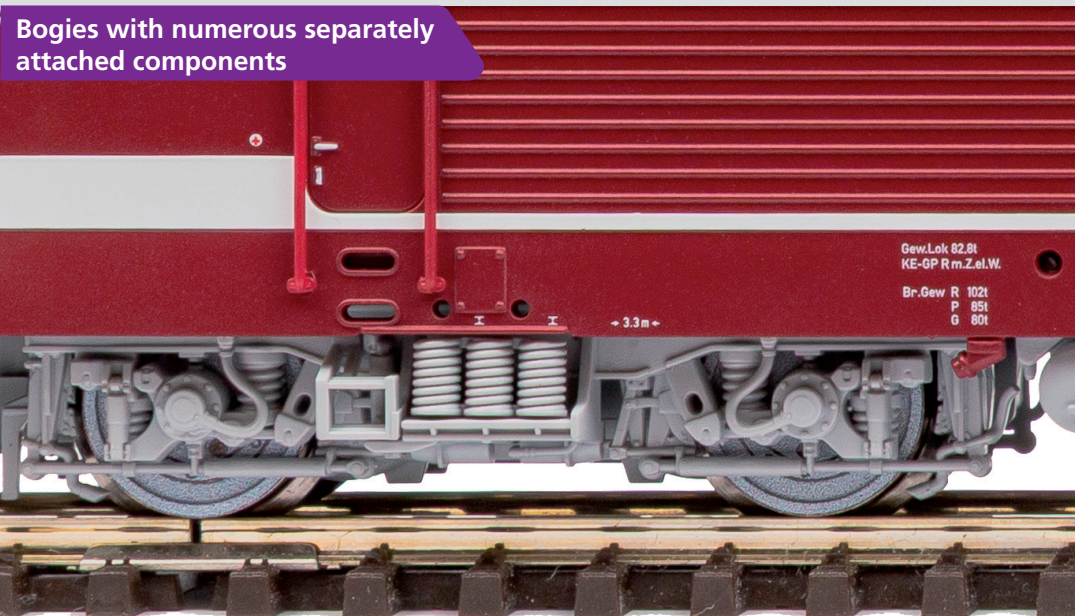
Free-standing windshield wipers and clear view into the cab



Lovingly designed roof area with fine ventilation grille



Bogies with numerous separately attached components



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It will be provided for you:
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With increasing power station capacities and the oil crisis as a catalyst, the Deutsche Reichsbahn (DR) pushed ahead with the electrification of its rail network and also needed a train locomotive that could be used universally. After commissioning the LEW "Hans Beimler" Hennigsdorf, the only locomotive manufacturer in the DDR, the prototype 212 001-2 was presented at the Leipzig Spring Fair in 1982. It is also known as the "White Lady" because of its unique paintwork. From 1984, the 243 series locomotives intended for passenger and medium-duty freight services were delivered in series. At its peak, the DR fleet comprised 640 units. After reunification, the locomotives were gradually reclassified as class 143. When DB AG was founded in 1994, all of the locomotives had already been reclassified and were in service throughout Germany. With the introduction of the further developed class 112.1, whose maximum speed was 160 km/h and the new division into business units, the locomotives of the class 143 with their maximum speed of 120 km/h were only used in local traffic. In recent years, they have been increasingly displaced from this area of operation by railcars and subsequently scrapped or sold.

Our prototype: Electric loco 243 064-3 DR, Rbd Halle, Bw Leipzig West

TECHNICAL DATA

- Length over buffers: 139 mm
- Minimum recommended radius: 310 mm
- Era IV
- Interface NEM 662 Next18
- NEM coupler pocket and close coupling
- Direction-dependent light change white/red

The PIKO new construction of the class 243 on a scale of 1:120 impresses with the highest level of detail and state-of-the-art technology - a perfect combination of nostalgia and innovation. The striking design, the filigree add-on parts and the digital equipment make the hearts of model railroaders and collectors alike beat faster. With precise manufacturing and authentic sound in the digital version, the locomotive promises a unique driving experience on your model railroad. Bring a piece of railroad history to your layout and experience quality at the highest level!

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Electric loco Class 243 DR IV
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47491 with Sound, incl. PSD XP S and PIKO TrainSound® onboard

- Fine metal pantographs
- Highly detailed bogies
- Freestanding mounted handrails and roof lines
- Separately attached windshield wipers and a clear view into the detailed driver's cab
- Three-light headlights with red marker lights, change over with the direction of travel in analog operation and can be switched in digital operation
- Driver's desk lighting; analog in the direction of travel at the front, otherwise digitally switchable
- Digitally switchable lighting in the driver's cab
- Sound version #47491 with numerous typical vehicle sounds for realistic layout operation
- Additional digital functions such as "shunting gear" or optional switchable head and tail lighting for even more playing fun
- Factory-fitted with TT close couplers for prototypical vehicle spacing

MATCHING ACCESSORIES

- 46555 PIKO SmartDecoder XP S Next18 incl. loudspeaker
- Matching cars in the PIKO assortment:
TT Reko passenger cars, e.g. #47601, #47611, #47618