

QUALITY TEST

WOODLAND SCENICS T47 – apples and oranges

Let's try this interesting pack from the famous american brand: you can use it to have some fruit on the trees, but also as a load for a truck or a gondola car... this is what we wanted to do... but we had a big surprise!!!

What you get

Woodland Scenics T47 is composed by two packet, one containing apples, the other containing the oranges, in quite large amount. The color seem good... and the dimesions of these little spheres are different. This seems more realistic... but as you will see, this is also a big problem!



Let's discover the defects...

This material is not good to be used in the layout: if you put it in the water, it loses its color. If you attach it with vinyl glue diluted in water, it will become white and red color will leak in other surfaces . After a few seconds in the water, they become white, as you can see in the picture:



And if you keep them in the water... they melt completely!



It does not appear a good deal: the material will be damaged by water and vinyl glue. It's a very poor quality material. In your layout, after some times, damp will leak color all around the scenery!

But what kind of material is it? Since it melts in water, it can't be plastic, of course... Let's try another experiment... with some little helpers...



Sorry for the bad picture... but you can see that ants like woodland scenics apples! They catch them and bring them in the anthill! They probably like model railroading?

Conclusions

Woodland scenics T47 does not appear as a high quality material from this test! Both painting and material are water-soluble and vulnerable to damp. This will produce big problems in the layout!

Since ants like this material, you will risk to find you layout invaded by insects.

This product is not lasting, and it seems to be made of organic material!

What kind of material is it? Is this the well-known quality of woodland scenics?

Now we have a suspect... *are the apples and oranges made by the little sugar spheres used as a garnishment for the cakes?*

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