



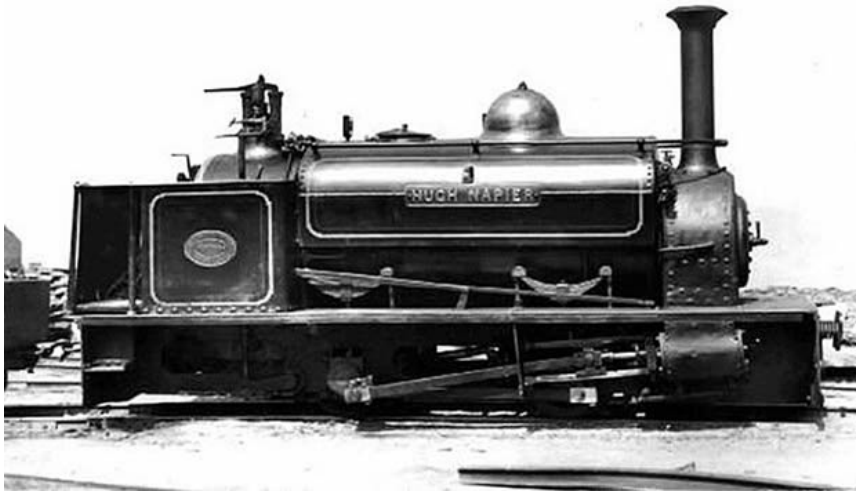
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Steam Powered Garden Railways

PRODUCT SHEET

ACCUCRAFT UK

7/8ths SCALE QUARRY HUNSLET 0-4-0ST



In light of the growing popularity of this scale, used to represent 2' gauge on 45mm track and 18" gauge on 32mm track, Accucraft (UK) have decided to take the plunge and produce their first live steam locomotive for this market. The more generous proportions of models in this scale have given them the opportunity to look at prototypes which would be rather too small in 1:19 scale. At the top of

this wish list was the archetypal North Wales 'Quarry' Hunslet. The model will be based on the large Quarry type as illustrated by Hugh Napier and be supplied in plain, unlined red or black. It will be gas fired and be fitted with a water top up valve, water check valve, miniature pressure gauge; constructed of stainless steel and etched brass, the loco will have an enhanced level of detail made possible by this scale and be gauge-adjustable between 45mm and 32mm gauges.

By the mid 19th century, the North Wales' slate mines and quarries had a requirement for small, powerful and rugged locos to work the galleries and tramways in what was by then a rapidly expanding industry. Various manufacturers supplied narrow gauge motive power to these businesses but none became more synonymous with the area than the saddle tanks supplied by the Hunslet Engine Co. of Leeds. These sturdy little locos were ideal for the roughly laid, temporary lines in the quarries and the class evolved from the first design, produced in 1870, to encompass a variety of sizes and types which found work at Penrhyn, Dinorwic (where many acquired the names of racehorses!) and the Nantlle valley. Remarkably the majority of those locos still in service in the 1960's survived to be preserved, some of them in America and Canada. Today Quarry Hunslets are still be produced in limited numbers by the new Hunslet Engine Co. based at the Statfold Barn Railway.

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Live Steam

Scale: 7/8":1' (or 1:13.7)

Gauge: 32mm or 45mm (adjustable)

Code: S78-1A S78-1B	Large Quarry Hunslet 0-4-0ST Red Large Quarry Hunslet 0-4-0ST Black
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