

## The Bristol Blenheim



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The Bristol Blenheim was a twin-engine, light bomber, used extensively in the first two years of WW2. It's maiden flight was in 1935 and it soon proved to be much faster than the current RAF fighters, having a top speed of 307mph.

It was powered by a pair of Bristol Mercury VIII radial engines, each capable of 860hp (640kW).

### The Engine:



The Bristol Mercury VIII Engine

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Mercury is the smallest planet in our solar system and the nearest planet to the sun.

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### Mercury Messenger of the Gods



Mercury was also the name of a Roman God. He was known as the 'messenger of the Gods'

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