

# Top 10 tips for recognising aircraft!

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- 1. Take your time observing - Don't feel rushed into recognizing the aircraft. Take as long as you want to fully observe all of it's features. Rushing will only make you miss something.**
- 2. Don't miss anything - When you look at a aircraft, what should you look for?**
- 3. Study - It is vital that you improve on your skill somehow, whether that's by building on experience, through books or online help.**
- 4. Experience - Experience is everything when it comes to aircraft recognition, the more the better. Be sure to build on your experience quite often to improve your skill.**
- 5. Airlines fleet - A very handy tip is to learn the fleet of airlines. Bmi Baby only operate 737's for example. A useful way in helping identify that aircraft.**
- 6. Wheels - Something I do quite often when I'm stuck is count the wheels on the main landing gear. (Sometimes the wheels aren't there) For example I know that the Boeing 777 has 6 wheels on each main gear.**
- 7. Winglets or no winglets? - Some aircraft have them, some don't. This can help you distinguish between aircraft and help you name the plane!**
- 8. Cockpit windows - Some aircraft offer limited view through the cockpit window while others offer mor visibility. I.e Airbus A350 v 777**
- 9. Engine placement and size - Always a good tip for recognising an aircraft is the placement of the engines and the size of them. I.E 717 V 777**
- 10. Use [aircraftrecognition.co.uk](http://aircraftrecognition.co.uk) as a free online tutorial site to help expand your knowledge in aircraft recognition!**