

Palfinger PK 65002 SH

The Palfinger PK 65002 SH is a high performance loader crane with a maximum capacity of 22 tonnes. This model is in 1:50 scale and it is made by WSI Models. It is mounted on a Scania flatbed truck with trailer, all in the colours of the Dutch company, Van der Sluis.

An instruction brochure is included and this covers all the versions of WSI's Palfinger model range and it explains the key features of the crane well.

The 8x2 Scania chassis is fully modelled with detailed wheels and tyres. There is linked steering on axles one, two and four which is stiff with a very limited range of movement. The cab is detailed well and the Van der Sluis livery is very striking. Under the tilting cab is a detailed engine with different coloured components.

The flatbed deck is metal with inlaid plastic replica timber sections. The trailer is also very detailed and has sprung suspension and the steering axle has an excellent range of movement. It is also an extendible trailer.

The Palfinger looks very good with many small decals enhancing the detail. The outriggers are two-stage with graphics on each part. The jack cylinder rods are smooth, and small separate spreader plates are supplied for the front and rear outriggers.

There is a control console with tiny levers and the base section has various boxes modelled. The boom sections are thin-wall metal, with a stiff profile, and the final boom

section has a small metal hook which is fixed. Also included is the optional fly jib.

The boom unfolds with the cylinders being reasonably stiff. However they will not hold a loaded pose and pins are supplied which can be used in the barrels of the lift cylinders to hold their extension. The boom telescoping sections extend well and generally hold a pose, and the crane slews fairly smoothly.

This model is a typical high quality truck model by WSI. It is very detailed so it does need care when handling so as not to damage the more delicate parts. As a heavy haulage model this one is complex and functional, and the Van der Sluis colour scheme makes it very attractive.

It is available as a limited edition and costs around €249 from European dealers.

To read the full review of this model visit www.cranesetc.co.uk

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Packaging (max 10)	7
Detail (max 30)	26
Features (max 20)	16
Quality (max 25)	22
Price (max 15)	11
Overall (max 100)	82%



Loaded with tower crane sections



Detailed graphics



Unloading

Fitted with the fly jib



Good boom profile

