THE DIAMOND DART SPY PLANE TRAINER FLIES FOR THE FIRST TIME

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This cute little number is the DART 450, a training aircraft by Austrian company Diamond Aviation that just made its maiden flight.

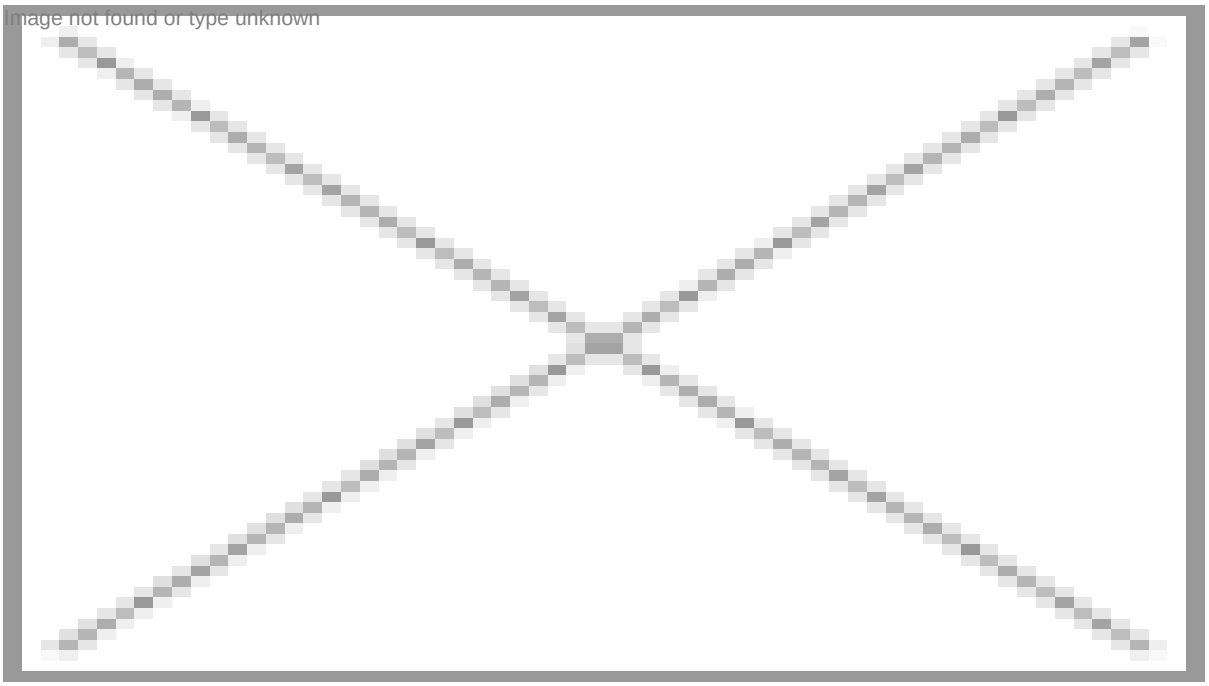
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DART stands for Diamond Aircraft Reconnaissance Trainer, and the company says the little

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turboprop can fly eight hours without refueling and reach a top speed of about 290 mph. The sweeping cockpit views are good for pilots learning to fly and for going on reconnaissance runs. Says Diamond Aircraft chief designer Clemens Knappert: "We achieved our target from the first drawings to the first flight in one year. I'm already excited about what comes next."

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