

CODENAME

OPERATION AHSOKA

♦ Build Manual ♦

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| ▶ EDITION | PUBLIC RELEASE · FREE TO SHARE |
| ▶ SUBJECT | Craft + paint |
| ▶ BUDGET | €60-200 |
| ▶ BUILD TIME | 20-40 hrs |
| ▶ TIMELINE | 5 weeks |

**A LONG TIME AGO, IN A WORKSHOP FAR, FAR
AWAY....**

FROM ZERO TO AHSOKA

Snips, three looks: Clone Wars, Rebels & live-action. The montrals & lekku headpiece and dual sabers are the build.

May the Force be with all who walk this path.



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READING ORDER · IF YOU READ NOTHING ELSE

Start here: **Mission Brief** — it tells you what you are signing up for.

Before the event: **Game Day Lines** — the chapter that matters at hour two.

Everything in between is your build, in order. Take it one section at a time.



READ ME FIRST

This is a field manual, not a novel — you are not meant to read it front to back. Jump to the station you need:

RIGHT NOW Mission Brief + Pick Your Look.

BEFORE BUYING The Complete Parts List — order everything in one batch; shipping is the bottleneck.

WHILE BUILDING Work the build chapters in order; each one is a station, not a lecture.

BEFORE THE EVENT Game Day Lines — the only chapter that matters at hour two.

RUNNING LATE? Open the companion WEEK-BY-WEEK calendar and jump to your current week.

■ ONE SITTING RULE

Read Mission Brief + Pick Your Look today. Everything else waits until its week.



PICK YOUR BAR

*Same Snips, three ways to wear the montrals — pick how far you take the headpiece. The same build can be finished to three different bars — pick yours **now**, because builders who polish for the wrong one burn weeks.*

LEAN · €60-95

Casual

Reads as Ahsoka at 5m on a crowd floor — soft foam montrals on a headband, blue-and-white stripe markings in basic face paint, one toy saber clipped to a thrift belt. Skip the chest plate and the lekku stripe count; silhouette and orange skin sell it.

EFFORT · ~14 hrs

MID · €120-175

Convention

Reads as Ahsoka at conversation distance — most builders land here with sculpted EVA montrals and weighted lekku that hang right, sealed alcohol-ink markings, and a proper outfit with belt hooks for two hilts. The Rebels chest plate is the upgrade that pushes it past 'good costume.'

EFFORT · ~28 hrs

REBEL LEGION · €400+

Approved

Reads as Ahsoka under inspection — Rebel Legion accuracy demands cast-and-painted montrals with the exact stripe pattern per era, airbrushed skin gradient, screen-matched leathers, and machined dual sabers that actually light. This is the lifetime build that passes a costume-club judging table.

EFFORT · ~40 hrs



THE FALLBACK PLAN

*A first-time build of this suit is **20–40 hrs** of hands-on work across **5 weeks**. Life happens — so decide right now what gets cut when the clock wins. Finished beats perfect.*

BEHIND EARLY Drop first: No Cape, Vambraces (Rebels/LA). Nobody will notice at 5m.

BEHIND LATE Simplify next: Chest Plate (Rebels/LA), Skirt / Pads, Reference & Fit, Leggings + Boots Tops — buy instead of make, or borrow.

EMERGENCY Every printed part has a buy option. Switching one part to bought can save a whole week.

ALWAYS The final week is for wearing it, not building it — dress rehearsal beats one more coat of paint.

🕒 THE HONEST RULE

If a piece is not started two weeks before the event, it is not in this year's costume. Build it for the next one.



THE COUNTDOWN

The whole plan on one page — tick the boxes as the weeks fall. The full week-by-week calendar is a separate companion PDF.

Week 1 ☐ Plan + order outfit, sabers, paint, headpiece materials

Week 2 ☐ Build the montrals & lekku headpiece

Week 3 ☐ Finish stripes + practice the face paint

Week 4 ☐ Outfit, vambraces, sabers

Week 5 ☐ Dress rehearsal + game day



MISSION BRIEF

*This builds **Ahsoka Tano** three ways: Clone Wars, Rebels, live-action.*

Every Ahsoka shares the orange skin, the striped headpiece, and dual sabers.



PICK YOUR LOOK

- ▶ **Clone Wars** — maroon, green/yellow-green sabers.
- ▶ **Rebels** — grey + leather, white sabers.
- ▶ **Live-action** — grey robes, white sabers.

The Outfits, Up Close

- ▶ **Clone Wars** — maroon tube-style top with a diamond pattern on the front, grey leggings, a belt with two saber hooks, light arm guards, tall boots.
- ▶ **Rebels** — grey and dark with more leather: chest plate, arm bracers, leather pads on the skirt, armored boots. The "older, battle-hardened" look.
- ▶ **Live-action** — grey hooded robes over a tunic, forearm vambraces, a head brace across the montrals. The most covered-up, practical look.



MONTRALS & LEKKU

The key part.

KEEP IT LIGHT

Foam, not solid. Anchor the headpiece well and copy the stripe pattern.

How People Make Them

Foam — carved foam covered in fabric, painted stripes; light and comfy, the most popular. **Fabric + stuffing** — sewn tubes stuffed soft; easiest to sew. **3D-printed base** — a printed montral cap with soft fabric lekku; most accurate shape. Build it onto a skullcap or headband so it sits securely and comes off: the front lekku drape over your shoulders, the back one hangs down your back — longer for Rebels, shorter for live-action.



ORANGE SKIN & MARKINGS

Skin-safe orange base + white markings.

Patch-test a day before; never use craft paint on skin.

COVERING THE REST

For hands and arms, either paint them orange or wear orange gloves/sleeves. Long sleeves + gloves are the easy way to avoid painting everything.



THE DUAL SABERS

Two curved hilts — one shorter shoto.

Green+yellow-green (CW), white (Rebels and live-action).



BUILDER TIPS

- ▶ Headpiece first, and light.
- ▶ Skin-safe paint only.
- ▶ Don't forget the shoto.

I am no Jedi.



SABER CRAFT

The blade is half the costume — fight like the character. **Shien (reverse grip) + JarKai dual**, wielded dual JarKai.

FORM V · SHIEN (REVERSE GRIP) + JARKAI DUAL - "The Way of the Krayt Dragon"

Two blades, reverse grip, always moving — she defends by attacking from angles nobody thinks to guard. The shoto covers whatever the main blade abandons, so the pair works like one weapon with two ends. The back-handed grip and the second blade are pure Ahsoka — unorthodox, improvised-looking, and impossible to pin down, just like her path out of the Order.

BLADE	● White — full-length main blade, curved hilt
BLADE	● White — shoto short blade, curved hilt
WIELD	dual JarKai

MORE THAN ONE BLADE - THE CRAFT

- ▶ Lead with the full-length blade; the shoto stays back as the guard hand — it blocks, it does not chase.
- ▶ Reverse grip shortens your reach — step in closer than feels natural and cut outward, never across your own arm.
- ▶ Two blades means double the arc: check a full arm-span on both sides before any swing, and never spin near people.
- ▶ Train each hand solo until it is clean before you ever pair them.

Drill it

Main blade in reverse grip, shoto held forward: walk a slow square, cutting outward at each corner turn so the blades never cross your own body. Speed is only allowed after ten clean laps.

⚠ DUEL SAFELY

Duel-grade polycarbonate blades only, never thin display tubes. Agree intensity before you start, no strikes to head or hands, and staff or dual spins need a full 3m of clear space.



GAME DAY LINES

The costume gets you noticed — the **lines** make it unforgettable. Say them in character, time the pauses, and let the laughs land.

● ● MORE GAME DAY LINES

- ▶ “I am Ahsoka Tano, Padawan learner to Anakin Skywalker.” — *chin up, proud — the introduction*
- ▶ “I’m sorry, Master, but I’m not coming back.” — *quiet and steady — the walking-away line*
- ▶ “I won’t leave you. Not this time.” — *soft but absolutely certain*

😄 FOR LAUGHS — KID EDITION

- ▶ I carry two lightsabers because one hand is always holding snacks.
- ▶ I am no Jedi. I’m the line leader.
- ▶ My master crashed every ship he ever flew. I take the bus.

COMPLETE PARTS LIST

Every piece referenced in this manual, grouped by where you get it. Shop in batches — fewer trips, fewer forgotten items.

PRINT THESE PARTS

Your 3D-printing queue. Test-print one piece before committing the whole suit.

- **Montral base (optional)** — Build foam/fabric onto it.
- **Dual saber hilts** — Main + shoto.
- **Vambraces (Rebels/LA)** — Forearm armour.
- **Chest plate (Rebels/LA)** — Later looks only.

BUY THESE

Order all at once — shipping is the bottleneck.

- **Outfit** — Maroon CW / grey Rebels / robes LA.
- **Headpiece materials** — Foam, fabric, skullcap.
- **Skin-safe orange + white paint** — Patch-test first.
- **Belt with two saber hooks** — She carries two.
- **Leggings + tall boots** — Grey base.
- **Two lightsabers** — Right colour for the era.

3D FILES & SOURCES

Where to find the printable files and reference standards. Nothing copyrighted is hosted here — these point to community designers and costume-club resources. Always check a model's licence before printing.

Ahsoka saber STL

Thingiverse

[► thingiverse.com](https://www.thingiverse.com/thing/3124444)

Montral / Togruta headpiece STL

Thingiverse

[► thingiverse.com](https://www.thingiverse.com/thing/3124444)

Full Ahsoka costume

AliExpress / eBay

[► ebay.com](https://www.ebay.com)

Rebel Legion standards

Rebel Legion

[► rebellegion.com](https://rebellegion.com)



THE REPAIR KIT

Everything breaks at hour two. A sandwich bag with these seven things turns a costume emergency into a two-minute pit stop.

SUPER GLUE GELReattaches snapped prints and popped seams in 60 seconds. Gel doesn't run.

BLACK GAFFER TAPEInvisible on dark builds — holds a cracked plate through a whole event.

SAFETY PINS + VELCROInstant strap repair, hem fix, cape re-hang.

ZIP TIES (BLACK)Broken buckle, loose greeble, sagging belt box — tie it and move on.

PAINT PEN (BLACK + SILVER)Covers scratches and scuffed edges between photos.

SPARE BATTERIESFor LEDs and soundboards. The saber always dies at the door.

MICROFIBRE CLOTHHelmet fingerprints, lens fog, dusty boots.

PACK IT THE NIGHT BEFORE

One bag, one pocket (or a helper's backpack). If you have to go looking for glue, it is already too late.



QUICK JUMP

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MAY THE FORCE BE WITH YOU

"I am no Jedi."

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