

FOCUS ON
DE HAVILLAND CANADA AIRCRAFT

After many years specializing in the Grumman family of flying boats, Viking shifted focus to de Havilland aircraft in 1983 after the de Havilland Aircraft of Canada Company selected Viking as the exclusive spare parts manufacturer for DHC-2 Beaver and DHC-3 Otter aircraft.

The award of the spare parts contract to Viking followed an agreement between the Province of British Columbia and de Havilland Canada to put more de Havilland work in BC after the Province purchased Dash 7 aircraft for its regional airline, Air BC. With over a decade of experience maintaining seaplanes on BC's coast, Viking was well-positioned to bid on (and successfully win) the contract.

Viking obtained the equipment and tooling required to manufacture de Havilland aircraft parts, gradually developing the company's manufacturing division and eventually taking on the contract to build new Twin Otter wings. In 1995, de Havilland shipped the original Twin Otter wing jigs to Viking's facility in Victoria, where they have remained ever since.

Viking's focus on supporting de Havilland aircraft naturally led to building long-standing relationships with the aircraft's operators, as well as a specialization for their repair, modification and overhaul in Viking's Maintenance Repair Organization (MRO).

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