

First Ascent

Thirty years ago, the original reusable rocket
blazed the trail for today's spacecraft



VEHICLE

Delta Clipper Experimental (DC-X)

HISTORYMAKER

First reusable rocket
First to demonstrate vertical takeoff and landing

LIFTOFF

Aug. 18, 1993

LOCATION

White Sands Space Harbor in New Mexico, U.S.

FLIGHT DURATION

59 seconds

ALTITUDE

46 meters (151 feet)

BUILDER

Boeing heritage company McDonnell Douglas