



FACT SHEET

Surface Ship Descriptions

Homeporting of Additional Surface Ships at Naval Station Mayport

Frigates (FFG) are rugged, cost-efficient surface ships used as Anti-Submarine combatants for amphibious expeditionary forces, and function as underway replenishment groups and merchant convoys. The FFG is 445 feet by 45 feet in size, and is operated by a crew of 17 officers and 198 enlisted personnel.



Cruisers (CG) are large multi-mission combat surface vessels used in air, surface and undersea warfare by supporting carrier battle groups and amphibious forces, and acting as an independent vessel or as a flagship. The CG is 567 feet by 55 feet in size, and is operated by a crew of 24 officers and 340 enlisted personnel.



Destroyers (DDG) are fast ships that operate both offensively and defensively either independently or in support of carrier battle groups, surface action groups, amphibious groups, and replenishment groups in primarily Anti-Submarine Warfare. The DDG is 505 feet by 59 feet in size, and is operated by a crew of 23 officers and 300 enlisted personnel.



The **Nuclear-powered Aircraft Carrier** (CVN) provides a strong forward presence, operates as the cornerstone in maritime expeditionary forces, and supports aircraft activity during wartime. The CVN is 1,092 feet by 134 feet in size with a flight deck width of 252 feet, and is operated by a ship's company of 3,200 personnel. When deployed it also accommodates 2,480 air wing personnel.



The ***Amphibious Assault Ship*** (LHD) acts as the centerpiece to the Navy amphibious strategy and provides a means to deliver, command, and support attack operations by air and deployable amphibious craft. The LHD services an array of aircraft which changes depending on mission. The LHD is 844 feet by 106 feet in size, and is operated by a crew of 98 officers and 983 enlisted personnel.



Amphibious Transport Dock Ships (LPD) are used to transport Advanced Amphibious Assault Vehicles, Landing Craft Air-Cushioned (LCAC), and the MV-22 Osprey to locations throughout the world to address conflict. The ship has a landing dock that is used to accommodate aircraft. The LPD is 661 feet by 105 feet in size, and is operated by a crew of 32 officers and 364 enlisted personnel.



Dock Landing Ships (LSD) support amphibious operations by transporting LCAC, helicopters and other landing craft. The LSD is 609 feet by 84 feet in size, and is operated by a ship's company of 22 officers and 397 enlisted personnel. When deployed, the LSD transports a Marine Detachment of 402 plus a surge group of 102 personnel.

