

ITALIAN NAVAL VESSELS BUILT IN THE U.S. 3/29/08

DESTROYERS

USS NICHOLSON (DD-442) Built in 1939 at Charlestown Navy Yard, Commissioned 1941-Acquired by Italy on June 11, 1951 and renamed “L’ARTIGLIERE”. (D-553). It was scrapped in 1971.

USS PRITCHETT (DD-561) Built at Todd Shipyard (WA) between 1942-43. Sold to Italy 1970 and renamed “ il GENIERE ”(D555), struck 1975.

USS TAYLOR (DD-468) Built between 1941 and 1942 at Bath Iron Works, Bath, Maine. Sold to Italy on July 2, 1969 and renamed LANCIERE.

USS WALKER (DD-517) (Fletcher-class destroyer laid down in 1942 by Bath Iron Works. Launched in January 1943. It was then sold to Italy and re-named the FANTE, (D-561). It was retired from the Italian navy in 1977 and broken up for scrap.

USS WOODWORTH (DD-460) Acquired by Italy on June 11, 1951 and renamed AVIERE.(D-554)_It was sunk as a target vessel in 1975. The ship was built at the Bethlehem Steel SY (CA) 1940-41.

FRIGATES (Ex-US Cannon Class of the 1950’s)

USS THORNHILL (DE 195) Built between 1943-44 by Federal SB & DD in Newark, NJ. Acquired by Italy on January 10, 1951 and renamed ALDEBARAN (F590)._It was scrapped in 1976.

USS GANDY (DE 764) Acquired by Italy on January 10, 1951 and renamed ALTAIR F591. It was scrapped in 1971.

USS WESSON (DE 184) Acquired by Italy on January 10, 1951 and renamed ANDROMEDA (F592). It was scrapped in 1970.

TRANSPORTS (Navi Trasporto/ Nave Trasporto Mezzi de Sbarco)

KENNETH WHITING CLASS AIRCRAFT TENDER

USS ST. GEORGE (AV 16) Launched in 1944. Bought by Italy in 1959 and renamed the ANDREA BOFILE (A 5314).

USS WHITLEY (AKA 91) (Andromeda Class US Navy Attack Cargo Ship) Built by Moore DD Co., Oakland, CA and launched in 1944. It was transferred to Italy in 1962 and renamed the ETNA (A-5328).

USS ALAMEDA COUNTY (AVB-1, ex. LST-32)(2 GM Diesel Engines) Built in 1943 by Dravo Shipyard in Pittsburgh. Originally an LST, it was reclassified as AVB. Decommissioned in Naples in June of 1962 and sold to Italy in November 1962. It was renamed ANTEO (A-5306) and served into the mid-1980's.

LST SHIPS (LANDING SHIP TANK)

Suffolk County Class

USS DeSOTO COUNTY (LST 1171)

Built by Avondale SY, New Orleans and launched in 1957. Commissioned in 1958. The ship was decommissioned in 1972 and transferred to the Italian navy. The ship was renamed the NMM NAVE GRADO (L-9890). It was sold for scrap by Italy in 1989.

USS YORK COUNTY (LST 1175)

Built by Newport News SB & DD Co. and launched in 1957. Commissioned in 1957. The ship was decommissioned in 1972 and transferred to Italy. It was renamed the NAVE COARLE (L-8991) and served until 1979.

SUPPORT SHIPS (Navi Appoggio)

COASTAL MINESWEEPERS-(Italian Abete Class)

All boats below were transferred to Italy between 1953-54. Each had 2 diesel engines.

<u>ABETE</u> (M 5501)	<u>FAGGIO</u> (M 5507)	<u>OLMO</u> (M5512)
<u>ACACIA</u> (M 5502)	<u>FRASSINO</u> (M 5508)	<u>ONTANO</u> (M5513)
<u>BETULLA</u> (M 5503)	<u>GELSO</u> (M 5509)	<u>PINO</u> (M5514)
<u>CASTAGNO</u> (M 5504)	<u>LARICE</u> (M 5510)	<u>PIOPPO</u> (M5515)
<u>CEDRO</u> (M 5505)	<u>MANDORLO</u> (M 5519)	<u>PLATANO</u> (M5516)
<u>CILIEGIO</u> (M 5506)	<u>NOCE</u> (M 5511)	<u>GUERCIA</u> (M5517)

THE ORIGINAL HULL NUMBERS ON THESE SHIPS WERE:

USS (AMS 72-76, 79-82, 88-90 AND 133-137)

The MANDORLO (ex. SALICE, ex. USS MSC 280) is slightly different and was transferred in 1960)

OILER-(navi Cisterna per Nafta)

(Ex US “T-2” Type)

STEROPE (ex. *Enrico Insom*) A-5368

Acquired By the Italian navy in 1959 and refitted. Former US built oiler.

SUBMARINES

USS BARB (SS-202) (Ex. DACE CLASS submarine) Built by Electric Boat between 1941-42. Transferred to Italian Navy in 1953-54 and renamed ENRICO TAZZOLI (S-511)

USS BESUGA (SS-321) (Ex. BALAO CLASS submarine) Built by Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics. Launched in 1944 and

transferred to Italy in 1966. Became the FRANCESCO MOROSINI (S-321)

USS CAPITAIN (SS-336) (Ex. BALAO CLASS submarine) Built by Electric Boat in Groton, CT in 1943 and commissioned in 1945. Transferred to Italy in March 1966 and sold to Italy in 1977, renamed ALFREDO CAPPELLINI (S-507)

USS DACE (SS-247) (Ex. DACE CLASS submarine) Built by Electric Boat between 1942-43. Transferred to Italian Navy in 1953-54 and renamed LEONARDO DA VINCI (S-510)

USS LIZARDFISH (SS-373) (Ex. BALAO CLASS submarine) Built by Manitowoc SB Co., Manitowoc, WI. Launched in 1944 and transferred to Italy in 1960. It was renamed the EVANGELISTA TORRICELLI (S-512)

USS PICKARD (SS-524) Built originally in 1944 at Charlestown Navy Yard and transferred to Portsmouth for completion. Commissioned 1949- Transferred to Italy in 1972. Became the PRIMO LONGOBARDO (S-501)

OTHER STOPS IN ITALY MADE BY AMERICAN WARSHIPS

USS CHARLES F. ADAMS (DDG-2)-see notes below on USS SEMMES.

USS AYLWIN (FF-1081)(Formerly DE 1081) Built between 1969 and 1970 at Avondale, SY at Westwego, LA. In early 1973 the ship stopped at Naples, Italy. In October, 1975 she developed boiler problems and traveled to Naples, Italy for two weeks of repairs. She was serviced by the destroyer tender USS PIEDMONT.

USS AUSTIN (LPD-4) deployed and stops in Naples, Italy

USS DECATUR (DDG-31) Built 1954-56 at Bethlehem Steel, Quincy MA. In August, 1959 suffers engine room fire while docked at Naples, Italy. Fire is extinguished and repairs made.

USS DEWEY (DDG-45) May 1978, suffers a fire that damages missile controls system while in Naples port. Repairs made in Naples, Italy.

USS FAIRFAX COUNTY (LST-1193) Built 1970-71 at National Steel and Shipbuilding Co., San Diego, CA. In September 1978, it suffered extensive damage to #3 engine room and berthing compartment in a major fire en route to Naples. Taken to Naples, Italy for repairs.

USS FORT SNELLING (LSD-30) Built between 1952 and 1954 at Ingalls Shipbuilding, Pascagoula, MS. In April, 1978 it collided with the USNS WACCAMAW (T-AO109) during refueling just north of Corsica. BOTH SHIPS then proceeded to Naples, Italy for repairs.

USS ENTERPRISE (CVN 65)

BATTLE GROUP (Naples, Italy 1963)

USS JOHN KING (DDG 3)

USS BAINBRIDGE (CGN 25)

USS THE SULLIVANS (DD 537)

**USS IOWA (BB 61) Jan-April 1955 Genoa, Italy
Naples, Italy**

**June-December 1989 Gaeta, Italy
Naples, Italy**

USS NEWMAN K. PERRY (DD-863)-see notes below on the USS SHANGRI-LA.

USS OBSERVER (MSO-461) In early 1960's it had a fire while in Naples, Italy harbor.

USS SAMUEL B. ROBERTS (DD-823)- see notes below on USS SEMMES.

USS SCORPION (SSN-589) April 15, 1968 she collided with a barge in Naples Harbor. Barge sank and USS Scorpion returned to Naples on April 20, for inspection and removal of tangled fishing line.

USS SEATTLE (AOE-3) (4 V2M 600PSDI Boilers) Built between 1964-68 at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, Bremerton, WA. In July, 1982 it has a freak explosion at Porto Torres, Sardinia and is able to get to Naples, Italy for repairs.

USS SEMMES (DDG-81) heavily damaged and USS SAMUEL B. ROBERTS (DD-823), USS CHARLES F. ADAMS (DDG-2) and USS YELLOWSTONE (AD-27) are slightly damaged when a Greek freighter sideswipes the 4 ships in Naples Harbor, Italy. Repairs in February 1970.

USS SHANGRI-LA (CV-38)(8 Boilers)Built 1943-44 at Norfolk Naval SY. August, 1965 collides with USS NEWMAN K. PERRY (DD-863) off Sardinia. Bow of the USS PERRY is crushed and twisted. BOTH SHIPS are repaired at Naples, Italy and returned to duty.

USS TALLAHATCHIE COUNTY (LST-1154/AVB-2) (B&W Boilers)April 1968 it was in Naples outside Claywall Harbor, went to dry dock Bacino No. 2 in January 1969.

USNS WACCAMAW (T-AO109) Built between 1945-46 by the Sun Shipbuilding and Drydock Co., Chester, Pa-(see notes above on the USS FORT SNELLING (LSD-30).