

## APPENDIX 2

# Aircraft Carrier Listing for CV, CVB, CVA, CVAN, CVN, CVL, and CVE Designations

**T**HE CVB AND CVL designations were established within the original CV designation on 15 July 1943. CVA replaced CV and CVB on 1 October 1952; CVL went out of use on 15 May 1959. CV and CVN replaced CVA and CVAN on 30 June 1975 to designate the multimission character of aircraft carriers after the decommissioning of the last CVS in 1974.

During World War II (7 December 1941 to 2 September 1945) the Navy operated 110 carriers (includes those designated CV, CVE and CVL). It commissioned 102 carriers (includes those designated CV, CVE and CVL) during the above mentioned time frame.

Original Classes—Of the first 7 ships, *Langley*, *Ranger*, and *Wasp* were single types, *Lexington* and *Saratoga* were sisters as were *Yorktown*, *Enterprise* and *Hornet*.

*Essex* Class—24 ships; CV-9 through 21, 31 through 35, 37 through 40, 45, and 47. Of these numbers, 14, 15, 19, 21, 32–34, 36–40, 45 and 47 are sometimes referred to as “Long-Hull” *Essex* class.

*Independence* Class—9 ships, CVL 22 through 30.

*Midway* Class—3 ships, CVB 41 through 43.

*Saipan* Class—2 ships, CVL 48 and 49.

*Enterprise* Class—1 ship, CVAN 65.

*Forrestal* Class—4 ships, CVA 59 through 62.

*Kitty Hawk* Class—4 ships, CVA 63, 64, 66 and 67.

*Nimitz* Class—8 ships, CVN 68 through 75.

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Hull No. Name	Date of commission and decommission, loss, stricken or transfer	Designations	Date of Designation Change
1 <i>Langley</i>	20 Mar 1922	CV 1	
	27 Feb 1942	AV 3	21 Apr 1937
2 <i>Lexington</i>	14 Dec 1927	CV 2	
	8 May 1942		
3 <i>Saratoga</i>	16 Nov 1927	CV 3	
	26 Jul 1946		
4 <i>Ranger</i>	4 Jun 1934	CV 4	
	31 Jan 1947		
5 <i>Yorktown</i>	30 Sep 1937	CV 5	
	7 Jun 1942		

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Hull No. Name	Date of commission and decommission, loss, stricken or transfer	Designations	Date of Designation Change
6 <i>Enterprise</i>	12 May 1938	CV 6	
	1 Jul 1958	CVA 6	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 6	8 Aug 1953
7 <i>Wasp</i>	25 Apr 1940	CV 7	
	15 Sep 1942		
8 <i>Hornet</i>	20 Oct 1941	CV 8	
	26 Oct 1942		
9 <i>Essex</i>	31 Dec 1942	CV 9	
	1 Jun 1973	CVA 9	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 9	8 Mar 1960
10 <i>Yorktown</i>	15 Apr 1943	CV 10	
	1 Jun 1973	CVA 10	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 10	1 Sep 1957
11 <i>Intrepid</i>	16 Aug 1943	CV 11	
	15 Mar 1974	CVA 11	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 11	31 Mar 1962
12 <i>Hornet</i>	29 Nov 1943	CV 12	
	26 May 1970	CVA 12	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 12	27 Jun 1958
13 <i>Franklin</i>	31 Jan 1944	CV 13	
	13 Feb 1969	CVA 13	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 13	8 Aug 1953
14 <i>Ticonderoga</i>	8 May 1944	CV 14	
	16 Nov 1973	CVA 14	1 Oct 1952
15 <i>Randolph</i>	9 Oct 1944	CV 15	
	13 Feb 1969	CVA 15	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 15	31 Mar 1959
16 <i>Lexington</i>	17 Feb 1943	CV 16	
	8 Nov 1991	CVA 16	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 16	1 Oct 1962
		CVT 16	1 Jan 1969
		AVT 16	1 Jul 1978
17 <i>Bunker Hill</i>	25 May 1943	CV 17	
	1 Nov 1966	CVA 17	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 17	8 Aug 1953
18 <i>Wasp</i>	24 Nov 1943	CV 18	
	1 Jul 1972	CVA 18	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 18	1 Nov 1956
19 <i>Hancock</i>	15 Apr 1944	CV 19	
	30 Jan 1976	CVA 19	1 Oct 1952
20 <i>Bennington</i>	6 Aug 1944	CV 20	

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CVN, and CVL—Continued**

Hull No. Name	Date of commission and decommission, loss, stricken or transfer	Designations	Date of Designation Change
	15 Jan 1970	CVA 20	1 Oct 1952
21 <i>Boxer</i>	16 Apr 1945	CVS 20	30 Jun 1959
	1 Dec 1969	CV 21	
		CVA 21	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 21	1 Feb 1956
22 <i>Independence</i>	14 Jan 1943	CVL 22	
	29 Jan 1951		
23 <i>Princeton</i>	25 Feb 1943	CVL 23	
	24 Oct 1944		
24 <i>Belleau Wood</i>	31 Mar 1943	CVL 24	
	1 Oct 1960		
25 <i>Coupens</i>	28 May 1943	CVL 25	
	1 Nov 1959	AVT 1	15 May 1959
26 <i>Monterey</i>	17 Jun 1943	CVL 26	
	1 Jun 1970	AVT 2	15 May 1959
27 <i>Langley</i>	31 Aug 1943	CVL 27	
	6 Jun 1951		
28 <i>Cabot</i>	24 Jul 1943	CVL 28	
	1 Nov 1959	AVT 3	15 May 1959
29 <i>Bataan</i>	17 Nov 1943	CVL 29	
	1 Sep 1959	AVT 4	15 May 1959
30 <i>San Jacinto</i>	15 Dec 1943	CVL 30	
	1 Jun 1970	AVT 5	15 May 1959
31 <i>Bon Homme Richard</i>	26 Nov 1944	CV 31	
	2 Jul 1971	CVA 31	1 Oct 1952
32 <i>Leyte</i>	11 Apr 1946	CV 32	
	1 Jun 1969	CVA 32	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 32	8 Aug 1953
33 <i>Kearsarge</i>	2 Mar 1946	CV 33	
	15 Jan 1970	CVA 33	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 33	1 Oct 1958
34 <i>Oriskany</i>	25 Sep 1950	CV 34	
	20 Sep 1976	CVA 34	1 Oct 1952
		CV 34	30 Jun 1975
36 <i>Antietam</i>	28 Jan 1945	CV 36	
	1 May 1973	CVA 36	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 36	8 Aug 1953
37 <i>Princeton</i>	26 Nov 1945	CV 37	
	30 Jan 1970	CVA 37	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 37	1 Jan 1954
		LPH 5	2 Mar 1959
38 <i>Shangri-La</i>	15 Sep 1944	CV 38	
	15 Jul 1982	CVA 38	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 38	30 Jun 1969
39 <i>Lake Champlain</i>	3 Jun 1945	CV 39	
	1 Dec 1969	CVA 39	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 39	1 Aug 1957
40 <i>Tarawa</i>	8 Dec 1945	CV 40	
	1 Jun 1967	CVA 40	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 40	10 Jan 1955
		AVT 12	17 Apr 1961
41 <i>Midway</i>	10 Sep 1945	CVB 41	
	11 Apr 1992	CVA 41	1 Oct 1952
		CV 41	30 Jun 1975

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CVN, and CVL—Continued**

Hull No. Name	Date of commission and decommission, loss, stricken or transfer	Designations	Date of Designation Change
42 <i>Franklin D. Roosevelt</i>	27 Oct 1945	CVB 42	
	1 Oct 1977	CVA 42	1 Oct 1952
		CV 42	30 Jun 1975
43 <i>Coral Sea</i>	1 Oct 1947	CVB 43	
	26 Apr 1990	CVA 43	1 Oct 1952
		CV 43	30 Jun 1975
45 <i>Valley Forge</i>	3 Nov 1946	CV 45	
	15 Jan 1970	CVA 45	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 45	1 Jan 1954
		LPH 8	1 Jul 1961
47 <i>Philippine Sea</i>	11 May 1946	CV 47	
	1 Dec 1969	CVA 47	1 Oct 1952
		CVS 47	15 Nov 1955
		AVT 11	15 May 1959
48 <i>Saipan</i>	14 Jul 1946	CVL 48	
	14 Jan 1970	AVT 6	15 May 1959
		AGMR 2	8 Apr 1965
49 <i>Wright</i>	6 Feb 1947	CVL 49	
	22 May 1970	AVT 7	15 May 1959
		CC 2	11 May 1963
59 <i>Forrestal</i>	1 Oct 1955	CVA 59	
	30 Sep 1993	CV 59	30 Jun 1975
		AVT 59	4 Feb 1992
60 <i>Saratoga</i>	14 Apr 1956	CVA 60	
	20 Aug 1994	CV 60	30 Jun 1972
61 <i>Ranger</i>	10 Aug 1957	CVA 61	
	10 Jul 1993	CV 61	30 Jun 1975
62 <i>Independence</i>	10 Jan 1959	CVA 62	
		CV 62	28 Feb 1973
63 <i>Kitty Hawk</i>	29 Apr 1961	CVA 63	
		CV 63	29 Apr 1973
64 <i>Constellation</i>	27 Oct 1961	CVA 64	
		CV 64	30 Jun 1975
65 <i>Enterprise</i>	24 Nov 1961	CVAN 65	
		CVN 65	30 Jun 1975
66 <i>America</i>	23 Jan 1965	CVA 66	
		CV 66	30 Jun 1975
67 <i>John F. Kennedy</i>	7 Sep 1968	CVA 67	
		CV 67	29 Apr 1973
68 <i>Nimitz</i>	3 May 1975	CVAN 68	
		CVN 68	30 Jun 1975
69 <i>Dwight D. Eisenhower</i>	18 Oct 1977	CVN 69	
70 <i>Carl Vinson</i>	13 Mar 1982	CVN 70	
71 <i>Theodore Roosevelt</i>	25 Oct 1986	CVN 71	
72 <i>Abraham Lincoln</i>	11 Nov 1989	CVN 72	
73 <i>George Washington</i>	4 Jul 1992	CVN 73	
74 <i>John C. Stennis</i>			
75 <i>United States</i>			

**Carrier Listing for CVE Designations**

The original escort carrier designation AVG changed to ACV on 20 August 1942 and to CVE on 15 July 1943. The CVE designation went out of use when the remaining escort carriers were reclassified AKV (Aircraft Ferry) on 7 May 1959.

Hull No. Name	Date of commission and decommission, loss, stricken or transfer	Designations	Date of Change
1 <i>Long Island</i>	2 Jun 1941 12 Apr 1946		
9 <i>Bogue</i>	26 Sep 1942 1 Mar 1959	CVHE 9	12 Jun 1955
11 <i>Card</i>	8 Nov 1942 15 Sep 1970	CVHE 11 CVU 11 AKV 40	12 Jun 1955 1 Jun 1959 7 May 1959
12 <i>Copabee</i>	15 Jun 1942 1 Mar 1959	CVHE 12	12 Jun 1955
13 <i>Core</i>	10 Dec 1942 15 Sep 1970	CVHE 13 CVU 13 AKV 41	12 Jun 1955 1 Jul 1958 7 May 1959
16 <i>Nassau</i>	20 Aug 1942 1 Mar 1959	CVHE 16	12 Jun 1955
18 <i>Altamaha</i>	15 Sep 1942 1 Mar 1959	CVHE 18	12 Jun 1955
20 <i>Barnes</i>	20 Feb 1943 1 Mar 1959	CVHE 20	12 Jun 1955
21 <i>Block Island</i>	8 Mar 1943 29 May 1944		
23 <i>Breton</i>	12 Apr 1943 6 Aug 1971	CVHE 23 CVU 23 AKV 42	12 Jun 1955 1 Jul 1958 7 May 1959
25 <i>Croatan</i>	28 Apr 1943 15 Sep 1970	CVHE 25 CVU 25 AKV 43	12 Jun 1955 1 Jul 1958 7 May 1959
26 <i>Sangamon</i>	25 Aug 1942 1 Nov 1945		
27 <i>Suwannee</i>	24 Sep 1942 1 Mar 1959	CVHE 27	12 Jun 1955
28 <i>Chenango</i>	19 Sep 1942 1 Mar 1959	CVHE 28	12 Jun 1955
29 <i>Santee</i>	24 Aug 1942 1 Mar 1959	CVHE 29	12 Jun 1955
30 <i>Charger</i>	3 Mar 1942 29 Mar 1946		
31 <i>Prince William</i>	9 Apr 1943 1 Mar 1959	CVHE 31	12 Jun 1955
55 <i>Casablanca</i>	8 Jul 1943 23 Apr 1947		
56 <i>Liscome Bay</i>	7 Aug 1943 24 Nov 1943		
57 <i>Anzio</i> ( <i>ex-Coral Sea</i> )	27 Aug 1943 1 Mar 1959	CVHE 57	12 Jun 1955
58 <i>Corregidor</i>	31 Aug 1943 1 Oct 1958	CVU 58	12 Jun 1955
59 <i>Mission Bay</i>	13 Sep 1943 1 Sep 1958	CVU 59	12 Jun 1955

**Carrier Listing for CVE Designations—Continued**

Hull No. Name	Date of commission and decommission, loss, stricken or transfer	Designations	Date of Change
60 <i>Guadalcanal</i>	25 Sep 1943 27 May 1958	CVU 60	12 Jun 1955
61 <i>Manila Bay</i>	5 Oct 1943 27 May 1958	CVU 61	12 Jun 1955
62 <i>Natoma Bay</i>	14 Oct 1943 27 May 1958	CVU 62	12 Jun 1955
63 <i>St. Lo</i> ( <i>ex-Midway</i> )	23 Oct 1943 25 Oct 1944		
64 <i>Tripoli</i>	31 Oct 1943 1 Feb 1959	CVU 64	12 Jun 1955
65 <i>Wake Island</i>	7 Nov 1943 17 Apr 1946		
66 <i>White Plains</i>	15 Nov 1943 27 Jun 1958	CVU 66	12 Jun 1955
67 <i>Solomons</i>	21 Nov 1943 5 Jun 1946		
68 <i>Kalinin Bay</i>	27 Nov 1943 5 Jun 1946		
69 <i>Kasaan Bay</i>	4 Dec 1943 1 Mar 1959	CVHE 69	12 Jun 1955
70 <i>Fanshaw Bay</i>	9 Dec 1943 1 Mar 1959	CVHE 70	12 Jun 1955
71 <i>Kitkun Bay</i>	15 Dec 1943 3 Jan 1947		
72 <i>Tulagi</i>	21 Dec 1943 8 May 1946		
73 <i>Gambier Bay</i>	28 Dec 1943 25 Oct 1944		
74 <i>Nebenta Bay</i>	3 Jan 1944 1 Aug 1959	CVU 74 AKV 24	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959
75 <i>Hoggatt Bay</i>	11 Jan 1944 1 Aug 1959	CVHE 75 AKV 25	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959
76 <i>Kadasban Bay</i>	18 Jan 1944 1 Aug 1959	CVU 76 AKV 26	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959
77 <i>Marcus Island</i>	26 Jan 1944 1 Aug 1959	CVHE 77 AKV 27	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959
78 <i>Savo Island</i>	3 Feb 1944 1 Sep 1959	CHVE 78 AKV 28	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959
79 <i>Ommaney Bay</i>	11 Feb 1944 4 Jan 1945		
80 <i>Petrof Bay</i>	18 Feb 1944 27 Jun 1958	CVU 80	12 Jun 1955
81 <i>Rudyard Bay</i>	25 Feb 1944 1 Aug 1959	CVU 81 AKV 29	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959
82 <i>Saginaw Bay</i>	2 Mar 1944 1 Mar 1959	CVHE 82	12 Jun 1955
83 <i>Sargent Bay</i>	9 Mar 1944 27 Jun 1958	CVU 83	12 Jun 1955
84 <i>Shamrock Bay</i>	15 Mar 1944 27 Jun 1958	CVU 84	12 Jun 1955
85 <i>Shipleigh Bay</i>	21 Mar 1944 1 Mar 1959	CVHE 85	12 Jun 1955
86 <i>Sitkoh</i>	28 Mar 1944 1 Apr 1960	CVU 86 AKV 30	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959

**Carrier Listing for CVE Designations—Continued**

Hull No. Name	Date of commission and decommission, loss, stricken or transfer	Designations	Date of Change
87 <i>Steamer Bay</i>	4 Apr 1944 1 Mar 1959	CVHE 87	12 Jun 1955
88 <i>Cape Esperance</i>	9 Apr 1944 1 Mar 1959	CVU 88	12 Jun 1955
89 <i>Takanis Bay</i>	9 Apr 1944 1 Aug 1959	CVU 89 AKV 31	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959
90 <i>Thetis Bay</i>	21 Apr 1944 1 Mar 1964	CVHA 1 LPH 6	1 Jul 1955 28 Apr 1959
91 <i>Makassar Strait</i>	27 Apr 1944 1 Sep 1958	CVU 91	12 Jun 1955
92 <i>Windbam Bay</i>	3 May 1944 1 Feb 1959	CVU 92	12 Jun 1955
93 <i>Makin Island</i>	9 May 1944 5 Jun 1946		
94 <i>Lunga Point</i>	14 May 1944 1 Apr 1960	CVU 94 AKV 32	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959
95 <i>Bismarck Sea</i>	20 May 1944 21 Feb 1945		
96 <i>Salamaua</i>	26 May 1944 21 May 1946		
97 <i>Hollandia</i>	1 Jun 1944 1 Apr 1960	CVU 97 AKV 33	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959
98 <i>Kwajalein</i>	7 Jun 1944 1 Apr 1960	CVU 98 AKV 34	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959
99 <i>Admiralty Islands</i>	13 Jun 1944 8 May 1946		
100 <i>Bougainville</i>	18 Jun 1944 1 Apr 1960	CVU 100 AKV 35	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959
101 <i>Matanikau</i>	24 Jun 1944 1 Apr 1960	CVU 101 AKV 36	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959
102 <i>Attu</i>	30 Jun 1944 3 Jul 1946		
103 <i>Roi</i>	6 Jul 1944 21 May 1946		
104 <i>Munda</i>	8 Jul 1944 1 Sep 1958	CVU 104	12 Jun 1955
105 <i>Commencement Bay</i>	27 Nov 1944 1 Apr 1971	CVHE 105 AKV 37	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959

**Carrier Listing for CVE Designations—Continued**

Hull No. Name	Date of commission and decommission, loss, stricken or transfer	Designations	Date of Change
106 <i>Block Island</i>	30 Dec 1944 1 Jul 1959	LPH 1 CVE 106 AKV 38	22 Dec 1957 17 Feb 1959 7 May 1959
107 <i>Gilbert Islands</i>	5 Feb 1945 1 Jun 1961	AKV 39	7 May 1959
108 <i>Kula Gulf</i>	12 May 1945 15 Sep 1970	AKV 8	7 May 1959
109 <i>Cape Gloucester</i>	3 Mar 1945 1 Apr 1971	CVHE 109 AKV 9	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959
110 <i>Salerno Bay</i>	19 May 1945 1 Jun 1961	AKV 10	7 May 1959
111 <i>Vella Gulf</i>	9 Apr 1945 1 Jun 1960	CVHE 111 AKV 11	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959
112 <i>Siboney</i>	14 May 1945 1 Jun 1970	AKV 12	7 May 1959
113 <i>Puget Sound</i>	18 Jun 1945 1 Jun 1960	CVHE 113 AKV 13	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959
114 <i>Rendova</i>	22 Oct 1945 1 Apr 1971	AKV 14	7 May 1959
115 <i>Bairoko</i>	16 Jul 1945 1 Apr 1960	AKV 15	7 May 1959
116 <i>Badoeng Strait</i>	14 Nov 1945 1 Dec 1970	AKV 16	7 May 1959
117 <i>Saidor</i>	4 Sep 1945 1 Dec 1970	CVHE 117 AKV 17	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959
118 <i>Sicily</i>	27 Feb 1946 1 Jul 1960	AKV 18	7 May 1959
119 <i>Point Cruz</i>	16 Oct 1945 15 Sep 1970	AKV 19	7 May 1959
120 <i>Mindoro</i>	4 Dec 1945 9 Dec 1959	AKV 20	7 May 1959
121 <i>Rabaul</i>	30 Aug 1946 1 Sep 1971	CVHE 121 AKV 21	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959
122 <i>Palau</i>	15 Jan 1946 1 Apr 1960	AKV 22	7 May 1959
123 <i>Tinian</i>	30 Jul 1946 1 Jun 1970	CVHE 123 AKV 23	12 Jun 1955 7 May 1959