

Naval Vessel Historical Evaluation

INITIAL DETERMINATION



This evaluation is unclassified

Name	Hull Number
Hue City	CG 66
Vessel Class	Previous Vessel Designation (if any)
Ticonderoga Class Guided Missile Cruiser	N/A
Vessel Location	Current Status
NAVSEA Inactive Ship Maintenance On-Site Office, Philadelphia, PA	Stricken, Final Disposition Pending

Initial Evaluation Date	Initial Finding
5 April 2023	Ineligible
Final Evaluation Date	Eligibility for Listing to the National Register of Historic Places
	Ineligible

Vessel Snapshot

Lineage	Named for the Battle of Hue, fought in the city during the Tet Offensive of 1968 by the 1st Marine Regiment (composed of
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	1st Battalion, 1st Marines, 1st Battalion, 5th Marines, 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines and attached units) during the Vietnam War.
Displacement	9992 tons
Length	567 ft.
Beam	55 ft.
Draft	23 ft.
Speed	30 + knots
Propulsion	4 General Electric LM-2500 Gas
Armament	Two Mk 41 VLS for Standard missiles, Tomahawk, ASROC; Mk 46 torpedoes, Harpoon missile launchers, two Mk 45 5-inch/54 caliber lightweight guns, two Phalanx CIWS, two Mk 38 Mod 2 25mm machine gun system.
Laid Down	20 February 1989
Launched	01 June 1990
Built By	Ingalls Shipbuilding, Pascagoula, Mississippi
Sponsor	Mrs. Jo Ann Cheatham, wife of Lieutenant General Earnest C. Cheatham Jr., USMC (Ret.)
Delivered	28 June 1991
Commissioned	14 September 1991
Inactivated	30 September 2022
Decommissioned	30 September 2022

Stricken	30 September 2022
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Vessel History

<p>Deployment Summary</p>	<p>On 24 October 1991, Hue City arrived in Annapolis, Md., for a four-day port visit to support the academy's homecoming weekend.</p> <p>From 5 November 1991 through 16 December 1991, Hue City was underway for testing in the Atlantic Underwater Test and Evaluation Center (AUTEK) range, off Andros Island, Bahamas, and Combat Systems Ship's Qualification Trials (CSSQT) in the Puerto Rican Operation Area.</p> <p>On 8 July 1991, Hue City arrived in Nassau, Bahamas, for a four-day port visit.</p> <p>On 16 November 1992, Hue City departed Mayport, Florida for a three-week Comprehensive Training Unit Exercise (COMPTUEX) 2-93.</p> <p>On 11 March 1993, Hue City departed Naval Station Mayport for its maiden deployment as part of the USS Theodore Roosevelt Battle Group;</p> <p>On 12 April 1994, While conducting routine training at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, the Hue City was directed to serve as Destroyer Squadron 22 flagship in support of United Nations sanctions against Haiti.</p> <p>On 24 May 1996, Hue City departed for Baltic Sea to participate in operations involving forty-eight ships from thirteen nations.</p> <p>On 4 October 2004, Hue City along with Russian ships RFNS ADM Levchenko and RFNS Severomorsk, pulled into Stavanger, Norway, after completing the first bilateral exercise, Northern Eagle 2004, between the Russian Northern Fleet and U.S. warships.</p> <p>On 20 June 2012, USS Hue City departed Mayport for a scheduled nine-month deployment in the U.S. 5th and 6th Fleet AOR.</p> <p>On 15 August 2012, Hue City rendered medical assistance and provided food, water, and fuel to an Iranian-flagged dhow M/V Payam, approximately 45 miles southeast of Muscat, Oman.</p> <p>On 21 February 2013, Hue City departed homeport for a Middle East deployment, as part of the USS Dwight D. Eisenhower CSC.</p>
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	<p>On 11 April 2013, Hue City departed Naval Station Mayport for a surge Mediterranean deployment.</p> <p>On 31 March 2015, Hue City departed for Group Sail operations with the USS Harry S. Truman CSC.</p> <p>On 27 June 2015, Hue City departed homeport for a 24-day underway to participate in Group Sail, with the ships from Destroyer Squadron (DESRON) 22, in the Jacksonville Operation Area.</p> <p>On 10 July 2017, Hue City moored at Container Terminal, Quarantine Mole in Port of Odessa, Ukraine, for the in-port phase of an annual NATO exercise Sea Breeze.</p> <p>On 1 August 2017, Hue City participated in a passing exercise (PASSEX) with the TCG Gaziantep (F490) and TCG Meltem (P334), while underway southwest of Cyprus.</p> <p>1 August 2018, Hue City visited the coast of Rockland, Maine, for a four-day port visit in conjunction with the 71st Lobster Festival.</p> <p>27 September 2018, Hue City arrived off the coast of Halifax, Nova Scotia, for an anti-submarine warfare (ASW) exercise with the HMCS Halifax (FFH 330), HMCS Toronto (FFH 333) and FS Amethyste (S 605).</p>
<p>Awards</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Navy Unit Commendation Ribbon - Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation (3) - Coast Guard Meritorious Team Commendation Second Row - Navy Battle "E" Ribbon (13) - National Defense Service Medal (2) - Southwest Asia Service Medal (1) - Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal - Global War on Terrorism Service Medal - Armed Forces Service Medal - Sea Service Deployment Ribbon - Coast Guard Special Operations Service Ribbon - NATO Medal
<p>Noteworthy Events</p>	<p>On 9 November 1993, Hue City conducted its first ever Tomahawk Land Attack Missile (T LAM) Operational Test Launch (OTL) in the Gulf of Mexico;</p> <p>In early 1998, Hue City received the installation of Cooperative Engagement Capability (CEC) equipment. This capability represents the leading edge of air warfare, enabling her to launch a missile against an enemy target that is being tracked by another vessel.</p> <p>On 14 April 2014, A fire broke out at 6:20 P.M. aboard the Hue City, in the #1 gas turbine generator, 200 nautical miles northeast of Bermuda. The fire</p>

	<p>spread through the stacks to the first and third decks, spawning smaller fires. There were no injuries.</p> <p>On 30 September 2019, Hue City was inducted into the Navy's guided-missile cruisers Phased Modernization program, following an Induction Continuous Maintenance Availability (I-CMAV), during a ceremony at Naval Station Mayport.</p> <p>On 23 September 2022, Hue City held a decommissioning ceremony a Pier 2 on Naval Station Norfolk, after 31 years of active service.</p> <p>On 14 November 2022, Hue City departed Naval Station Norfolk, under tow by offshore tug Gary Chouest, enroute to Naval Inactive Ship Maintenance Facility in Philadelphia, Pa.</p>
DANFS* Entry	<p>https://www.history.navy.mil/research/histories/ship-histories/danfs/h/HueCity.html</p>

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Criteria Evaluation¹

<p>i. Was the vessel awarded an individual Presidential Unit Citation? (A Presidential Unit Citation is awarded to military units that have performed an extremely meritorious or heroic act, usually in the face of an armed enemy.)</p>	No
<p>ii. Did an individual act of heroism take place aboard the vessel such that an individual was subsequently awarded the Medal of Honor or the Navy Cross? (The Medal of Honor is awarded for valor in action against an enemy force. The Navy Cross is awarded for extraordinary heroism in action not justifying an award of the Medal of Honor.)</p>	No

¹ Evaluation conducted using triggers established for naval vessels in *Program Comment for the Department of Navy for the Disposition of Historic Vessels*, issued by the Advisory Council for Historic Preservation on 15 March 2010.

iii. Was a President of the United States assigned to the vessel during his or her naval service?	No
iv. Was the vessel the first to incorporate engineering, weapons systems, or other upgrades that represent a revolutionary change in naval design or warfighting capabilities?	No
v. Did some other historic or socially significant event occur on board the vessel?	No
Historic Evaluation Conclusion	
Assessment of integrity of (as appropriate) design, materials, workmanship, feeling and/or association (only for vessels determined to be eligible)	Ineligible

Sources	https://www.nvr.navy.mil/SHIPDETAILS/SHIPSDETAIL_CG_66_5128.HTML
	https://www.navysite.de/cg/cg66.html
	https://www.navy.mil/Press-Office/News-Stories/Article/3169828/uss-hu-city-decommissioned-after-31-years-of-service/
	http://www.uscarriers.net/cg66history.html
	https://www.surflant.usff.navy.mil/cg66/
	https://www.history.navy.mil/research/histories/ship-histories/danfs/h/HueCity.html

Historic Preservation Stakeholder Comment

Historic preservation stakeholder comments received are considered when preparing final determinations. The initial determination for this vessel was made available for comment by historic preservation stakeholders for 60 days. During that time, the Navy received written comments.

Comments Received	Comment Disposition