

AMERICAN LIGHT CARRIERS

AMERICAN LIGHT CARRIERS	CLASS	LAID DOWN	COMMISSION	ARMAMENT	LENGTH/ BEAM/DISPLACEMENT	DECK/ELEVATORS	CREW	ENGINES	MAX. SPEED	SERVICE HISTORY
USS Independence CVL-22*	Independence	1.5.1941	14.1.1943	30 aircraft	623 feet/ 109 feet/ 10,600 Tons	Teak Plank/2	1,569	4 Shafts, 4 boilers, General Electric turbines,100,000 shp	31 knots	Cebuerts, Tarawa Atoll, Eniwetok, Palau, Battle of Sibuyan Sea, Battle of Okinawa
USS Princeton CVL-23	Independence	2.6.1941	25.2.1943	30 aircraft	623 feet/ 109 feet/ 10,600 Tons	Teak Plank/2	1,569	4 Shafts, 4 boilers, General Electric turbines,100,000 shp	31 knots	Kwajalein, Majuro, Eniwetok, Battle of the Philippines Sea, Battle of Sibuyan Sea (Leyte Gulf) - Sunk: 24.10.1944
USS Belleau Woods CVL-24	Independence	11.8.1941	31.3.1943	30 aircraft	623 feet/ 109 feet/ 10,600 Tons	Teak Plank/2	1,569	4 Shafts, 4 boilers, General Electric turbines,100,000 shp	31 knots	Kwajalein, Majuro, Eniwetok, Battle of the Philippines Sea, Battle of Cape Engano (Leyte Gulf), Iwo Jima, Japan
USS Cowpens CVL-25	Independence	17.11.1941	28.5.1943	30 aircraft	623 feet/ 109 feet/ 10,600 Tons	Teak Plank/2	1,569	4 Shafts, 4 boilers, General Electric turbines,100,000 shp	31 knots	Kwajalein, Majuro, Eniwetok, Battle of the Philippines Sea, Battle of Cape Engano (Leyte Gulf), Lingayen Bay, Iwo Jima, Okinawa, Japan
USS Monterey CVL-26	Independence	29.12.1941	17.6.1943	30 aircraft	623 feet/ 109 feet/ 10,600 Tons	Teak Plank/2	1,569	4 Shafts, 4 boilers, General Electric turbines,100,000 shp	31 knots	Kwajalein, Majuro, Eniwetok, Battle of the Philippines Sea, Battle of Leyte Gulf, Okinawa
USS Langley CVL-27	Independence	11.4.1942	31.8.1943	30 aircraft	623 feet/ 109 feet/ 10,600 Tons	Teak Plank/2	1,569	4 Shafts, 4 boilers, General Electric turbines,100,000 shp	31 knots	Kwajalein, Majuro, Eniwetok, Battle of the Philippines Sea, Battle of Leyte Gulf, Iwo Jima, Okinawa
USS Cabot CVL-28	Independence	16.3.1942	24.7.1943	30 aircraft	623 feet/ 109 feet/ 10,600 Tons	Teak Plank/2	1,569	4 Shafts, 4 boilers, General Electric turbines,100,000 shp	31 knots	Hollandia, Battle of the Philippine Sea, Battle of Leyte Gulf, Kyushu, Okinawa, Wake
USS Bataan CVL-29	Independence	21.8.1942	17.11.1943	30 aircraft	623 feet/ 109 feet/ 10,600 Tons	Teak Plank/2	1,569	4 Shafts, 4 boilers, General Electric turbines,100,000 shp	31 knots	Caroline Island, Marshall Islands, Battle of the Philippine Sea, Battle of Okinawa, bombardment of Japan
USS San Jacinto CVL-30	Independence	26.10.1942	24.9.1943	30 aircraft	623 feet/ 109 feet/ 10,600 Tons	Teak Plank/2	1,569	4 Shafts, 4 boilers, General Electric turbines,100,000 shp	31 knots	Battle of the Philippine Sea, Battle of Leyte Gulf, Okinawa, Bombardment of Honshu and Hokkaido
* The Independence Class light carriers were based on the hulls of cruisers										
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