

1997 Carrier and Air Wing Deployments, 1997

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Kitty Hawk (CV 63)

CVW-11 (Tail Code: NH)
WestPac/Indian Ocean/Arabian Gulf
11 Oct 96-11 Apr 97

| Squadrons | Aircraft |
|--------------|-------------|
| VF-213 | F-14A TARPS |
| VFA-22 | F/A-18C |
| VFA-94 | F/A-18C |
| VFA-97 | F/A-18A |
| VAW-117 | E-2C |
| VAQ-135 | EA-6B |
| VQ-5 Det B | ES-3A |
| VRC-30 Det 2 | C-2A |
| VS-29 | S-3B |
| HS-6 | HH/SH-60F/H |



An SH-60 *Seahawk* from HS-3 dips its sonar buoy during flight operations in the Red Sea.

Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71)

CVW-3 (Tail Code: AC)
Mediterranean/Arabian Gulf
25 Nov 96-22 May 97

| Squadrons | Aircraft |
|-----------------|-------------|
| VF-32 | F-14A TARPS |
| VFA-37 | F/A-18C |
| VFA-105 | F/A-18C |
| VMFA-312 (DR)** | F/A-18C |
| VAW-126 | E-2C |
| VAQ-130 | EA-6B |
| VQ-6 Det D | ES-3A |
| VRC-40 Det 3 | C-2A |
| VS-22 | S-3B |
| HS-7 | HH/SH-60F/H |

Constellation (CV 64)

CVW-2 (Tail Code: NE)
WestPac/Indian Ocean
1 Apr 97-1 Oct 97

| Squadrons | Aircraft |
|-----------------|---------------------|
| VF-2 | F-14D TARPS/LANTIRN |
| VFA-137 | F/A-18C |
| VFA-151 | F/A-18C |
| VMFA-323 (WS)** | F/A-18C |
| VAW-116 | E-2C |
| VAQ-131 | EA-6B |
| VQ-5 Det C | ES-3A |
| VRC-30 Det 3 | C-2A |
| VS-38 | S-3B |
| HS-2 | HH/SH-60F/H |

Nimitz (CVN 68)

CVW-9 (Tail Code: NG)
WestPac/Indian Ocean
1 Sep 97-1 Mar 98

| Squadrons | Aircraft |
|-----------------|---------------------|
| VF-211 | F-14A TARPS/LANTIRN |
| VFA-146 | F/A-18C |
| VFA-147 | F/A-18C |
| VMFA-314 (VW)** | F/A-18C |
| VAW-112 | E-2C |
| VAQ-138 | EA-6B |
| VQ-5 Det D | ES-3A |
| VRC-30 Det 4 | C-2A |
| VS-33 | S-3B |
| HS-8 | HH/SH-60F/H |

Independence (CV 62)*

CVW-5 (Tail Code: NF)
WestPac/Indian Ocean
15 Feb 97-10 Jun 97

| Squadrons | Aircraft |
|--------------|-------------|
| VF-154 | F-14A TARPS |
| VFA-27 | F/A-18C |
| VFA-192 | F/A-18C |
| VFA-195 | F/A-18C |
| VAW-115 | E-2C |
| VAQ-136 | EA-6B |
| VQ-5 Det 5 | ES-3A |
| VRC-30 Det 5 | C-2A |
| VS-21 | S-3B |
| HS-14 | HH/SH-60F/H |

John F. Kennedy (CV 67)

CVW-8 (Tail Code: AJ)
Mediterranean/Arabian Gulf
29 Apr 97-28 Oct 97

| Squadrons | Aircraft |
|--------------|---------------|
| VF-14 | F-14A LANTIRN |
| VF-41 | F-14A TARPS |
| VFA-15 | F/A-18C |
| VFA-87 | F/A-18C |
| VAW-124 | E-2C |
| VAQ-141 | EA-6B |
| VQ-6 Det A | ES-3A |
| VRC-40 Det 4 | C-2A |
| VS-24 | S-3B |
| HS-3 | HH/SH-60F/H |

George Washington (CVN 73)

CVW-1 (Tail Code: AB)
Mediterranean/Arabian Gulf
3 Oct 97-3 Apr 98

| Squadrons | Aircraft |
|-----------------|---------------------|
| VF-102 | F-14B TARPS/LANTIRN |
| VFA-82 | F/A-18C |
| VFA-86 | F/A-18C |
| VMFA-251 (DW)** | F/A-18C |
| VAW-123 | E-2C |
| VAQ-137 | EA-6B |
| VQ-6 Det B | ES-3A |
| VRC-40 Det 1 | C-2A |
| VS-32 | S-3B |
| HS-11 | HH/SH-60F/H |

* *Independence* is forward deployed and operates from her home port in Yokosuka, Japan.

** While on deployment, VMFA squadrons take on the tail code of the air wing. Their original tail codes are noted in parentheses.

TARPS: Tactical Air Reconnaissance Pod System

LANTIRN: Low-Altitude Navigation and Targeting Infrared System for Night