



HS LIMNOS



Displacement: 3500 tons

Length: 130 meters

Beam: 14,6 meters

Draught: 6.2 meters

Maximum Speed: 30 knots

Propulsion: 2 Gas Turbine Rolls Royce Tyne RM1C
2 Gas Turbine Rolls Royce TM3B

OVERVIEW

The ship is named after the island of Limnos, which lies in the Aegean Sea and was used as an advanced naval base for the Hellenic Fleet during the Balkan Wars of 1912-13. The Hellenic Fleet, under the command of Admiral Pavlos Kountouriotis fought a victorious battle on January, 5th 1913 in the vicinity of the Island, which resulted in the liberation of the Aegean Islands. HS LIMNOS is the third ship bearing the name. The first ship to bear the name was a battleship purchased by the Greek government in 1914 from the USA (ex USS MISSISSIPPI). She participated in the naval operations of the First World War and in the operations at the Crimea Peninsula in 1919. She was decommissioned in 1932. The second ship to bear the name was a landing ship that was donated in 1943 to the exiled Greek Government by the USA to reinforce the Hellenic Fleet, which at the time was fighting along with the Allied Navies in the Mediterranean Sea. She took part in the Allied landing operations in Anzio (January 1944) and in Southern France (August 1944). She was decommissioned in 1977. HS LIMNOS was built in the shipyard in Koninklijke Maatschappij de Schelde in Vlissingen, Netherlands along with HS ELLI, after being ordered from Hellenic Navy General Staff. The contract was signed in Athens, on July 1981, and ship was delivered to the Hellenic Navy on 18th of September 1982, first commanding officer was Commander N.Themelidis HN. HS LIMNOS arrived in the Aegean sea on 5th of November 1982, and since then actively participates in all assigned missions from Hellenic Fleet Command.



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