

## NAVAL ASSET

## **HS ELLI**





Displacement: 3630 tons Lenght: 130 meters Beam: 14,6 meters Draught: 6,2 meters Maximun Speed: 32 knots Propulsion: 2 RR Olympus TM3B 56.800 HR, 2RR Tyne 10

## **OVERVIEW**

HS ELLI is the first S class frigate of the Hellenic Navy. She was built by the Royal Schelde in the Netherlands. She took her name in commemoration of the cruiser ELLI which was torpedoed and sunk on the 15th of August 1940 in the port of Tinos (participating in the festivities of the Assumption of Mary in the island), by an Italian submarine. That cruiser was named after the historic naval battle of the cape Elli in the Dardanelles, where the Hellenic Fleet defeated the Turkish one during the First Balkan War (16 December 1912). HS Elli is the third unit baring the same name. The first one was the ex-Chinese "Fei-Hung", which was built in 1912 and purchased by the Hellenic Government. The second unit was the ex-Italian "Eugenio di Savoia" in July 1950, given to Hellenic Navy as a compensation for the sunken cruiser. Since 1959, ELLI served as the flagship of the Admiral Commander in Chief of Cretan Archipelago, with home port in Souda Bay, Crete. The third unit arrived in Salamis Naval Base on the 15th November 1981 and became the first frigate of the Hellenic Fleet. In addition to National and NATO exercises, HS ELLI took part in Operations DESERT SHIED and DESERT STORM enforcing the UN sanctions against Iraq (1990-91) and in Operation ATALANTA conducting counter-piracy operations (2010, Horn of Africa). From November 2007 to July 2009 she has undergone an extensive overhaul in the context of mid-life modernization in the Hellenic Shipyards SA (Skaramangas, Greece) and from November 2016 till March 2017 a flight deck modification together with major maintenance works.







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