

USS Cincinnati (LCS 20)

Independence-variant Littoral Combat Ship



The **USS Cincinnati (LCS 20)** is a highly agile, *Independence*-variant littoral combat ship (LCS-20) currently in active U.S. Navy service. Commissioned on October 5, 2019, the ship is permanently homeported at Naval Base San Diego, California.

News:

USS Cincinnati (LCS 20) returned to its homeport at Naval Base San Diego on March 4, 2026, after an eight-month Indo-Pacific deployment. During the tour, the Independence-variant littoral combat ship conducted port visits in Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, and the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

<https://www.dvidshub.net/news/559398/uss-cincinnati-lcs-20-returns-homeport-san-diego>

Ship General Characteristics:

Christened: May. 6, 2018

Commissioned: Oct. 5, 2019

Length: 418 feet

Draft: 14 feet

Beam: 104 feet (31.9 meters)

Displacement: 3,104 tons

Speed: >40 knots

Crew: 40 core Sailors

US Navy Littoral Combat Ship (LCS) mission focuses on operating in near-shore (littoral) environments to counter coastal threats such as mines, quiet diesel submarines, and fast, armed small boats.

Leadership:

Commanding Officer:
Cmdr. William Rivers

Executive Officer:
Cmdr. Just Guernsey

Command Master Chief:
CMDCS Sarah Morales